

University Honors Advisory Council
22 April 2016, 2.30-4pm
Minutes

Present: Beckman, S., Belasen, A., Bell-Werner, M., Crk, I., Hecht, K., Maheshwari, P. (student rep, AY17/18), Rowbotham, M., Shustrin, K., Smallman, L., Toberman, I. (guest), Voss, E., Ware, K., Ruckh, E. (chair)

I. Guest: Interim Provost Denise Cobb

II. Updates from the Director

A. Advising matters

Director met with Advising Council on 14 April 2016; discussed hire of Honors Advisor; discussed implementation of dual advising; Mr. Ian Toberman will be new Honors Advisor (beginning on 1 July 2016).

B. Admissions for Fall 2016

As of 11 April: 10 MS, 7 MS (waitlist), 34 PS, 35 HS (independent track): 86 to begin in Fall 2016.

C. 'Shadow attributes'

Proposal for internal articulation of honors curriculum and Lincoln Program modified and approved by Faculty Senate General Education Committee on 6 April. Modification: Honors 121 will articulate out as FWI and FSPC; FWII dropped. Director will incorporate into a revision of 1R2; will go to FSCC in Fall 2016.

D. 120/121 Planning

Director had initial meeting with faculty teaching 120 and 121 on 11 April; meeting discussed initial ideas about how to 'collaboratively coordinate' the 6 sections. Meetings to continue through Summer 2016.

III. Approval of Minutes of 26 February 2016

Voss motions and Hecht seconds approval of minutes as amended. Unanimous.

IV. Update: Diversity Statement/Commitments Working Group

V. New Business: Draft Honors Assessment Material

Council discussed draft assessment plan developed by Belasen and Ruckh. Council suggests more carefully matching assessment to objectives of program. Ruckh will work on over summer and develop rubric. Questions were raised about how to collect data to assess. Ruckh will see about setting up a Bb community for matriculating cohorts of honors students and then have faculty teaching various courses ask/encourage students to upload work from their classes. In particular, in AY16-17: a piece of writing from Honors 121 (Rhetoric) and a reflection on education from Honors 100 (in Spring 17).