



Curriculum Council Minutes Thursday, January 30, 2025

Voting Members Present:

Divya Ajinth, Dr. David Barreto, Dr. Kimberly Chavis, Robert Cofield, Teri Fuller, Sharon Garcia, Lisa Giese, Dr. Danielle Hardesty, Dr. Mary Beth Hutches, Elior Iseli, Todd Laufenberg, Laura Meredith, Donna Mikrut, Jessica Moreno, Eamon Newman, Patricia Saccone, Dr. Reshmi Sen, Jo Lynn Theobald

Voting Members Absent:

Alfonso Alanis, Spencer Brayton, Dr. Bill Marzano, Ne'Keisha Stepney

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Kristine Cesario-Price, Laura Cronan, Marc Dale, Mary Greenwood, Dr. Dan McDonnell, Dr. Stacey Randall

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Sarah Kocunik, Dr. Lisa Richardson

Guests Present:

Julie Bechtold, Toni Ford, Daniel Franklin, Heather LaCost, Andrea Montgomery

Interim Provost

Dr. Kimberly Chavis

Chavis called the meeting to order at 2:41 p.m.

The Council introduced themselves. Chavis introduced Dr. Danielle Hardesty, the new Dean for Arts and Humanities. She stated Dr. Tamekia Smith, the new Dean for Business and Social Science will start on February 3.

Chavis explained the Curriculum Council meeting process, purpose, and expectations.

Chavis asked the Council to carefully review the Curriculum Council manual and send recommendations for changes to Kris Cesario-Price at kcesarioprice@waubonsee.edu. Cesario-Price, Fischer, and Saccone will meet to discuss the proposed changes, which will be voted on at Curriculum Council meeting on April 24.

Academic Support

Dean: Jessica Moreno

No Submissions

Arts and Humanities

Dean: Dr. Danielle Hardesty

No Submissions

Business and Social Science

Assistant Provost of Teaching & Learning: Sharon Garcia

Dean: Dr. Tamekia Smith

Psychology: Originator – Dr. Heather LaCost

Minor Course Revisions:

Rationale: Revisions to textbook information, student assessment information, and course topics to better reflect course content.

PSY 240 Abnormal Psychology

3 lec/0 lab, 3 semester hours

PSY 250 Theories of Personality

3 lec/0 lab, 3 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Minor update to PSY240 course description. Updates to course objectives and course topics for both PSY240 and PSY250, as well as the removal of required texts.

DECISION for PSY 240 and PSY 250:

LaCost stated there were updates to the course topics and textbook to better reflect course content.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on these minor course revisions for PSY 240 and PSY 250. Fuller so moved and Saccone seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. These minor course revisions will be **effective Fall 2025**.

Mathematics and Science

Assistant Provost of Teaching & Learning: Sharon Garcia

Dean: Dr. Eric Aurand

No Submissions

Industry and Technology

Assistant Provost of Workforce Development: Ne'Keisha Stepney

Interim Dean: Dr. Bill Marzano

No Submissions

Health Professions and Public Service

Dean: Bob Cofield

Fire Science Technology: Originator – Andrea Montgomery

Major Course Revisions:

Rationale: FSC105 and FSC115 changes are due to updates in state regulations and curriculum updates. New content has been added, as well as some content taken out. FSC125 changes are simply topic-related and now match the new requirements of the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

FSC 118 Basic Operations Firefighter Module C

4.5 lec/0 lab, 4.5 semester hours **TO** 4 lec/0 lab, 4.0 semester hours.

FSC 120 Hazardous Materials Operations

3 lec/0 lab, 3 semester hours **TO** 4 lec/0 lab, 4.0 semester hours.

Summary of Changes: Change to lecture and credit hours for both FSC118 and FSC120. Updates to course description, notes, objectives, outcomes, and topics for FSC118 only.

DECISION for FSC 118 and FSC120:

Montgomery stated the introduction material was removed from FSC 118 and added to FSC 120. She also stated there were changes to the curriculum and objectives to meet requirements of the Office of the State Fire Marshal. She also explained the rationale for the credit hour changes.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on these major course revisions for FSC 118 and FSC 120. Fuller so moved and Theobald seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. These major course revisions will be **effective Fall 2025**.

Minor Course Revisions:

Rationale: FSC105 and FSC115 changes are due to updates in state regulations and curriculum updates. New content has been added, as well as some content taken out. FSC125 changes are simply topic-related and now match the new requirements of the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

FSC 105 Basic Operations Firefighter Module A

4 lec/0 lab, 4 semester hours

FSC 115 Basic Operations Firefighter Module B

4 lec/0 lab, 4 semester hours

FSC 125 Advanced Technician Firefighter

4 lec/0 lab, 4 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Various updates to course descriptions, notes, objectives, outcomes, and topics.

DECISION for FSC 105, FSC 115, and FSC 125:

Montgomery stated the topic items were shuffled around to meet the requirements of the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on these minor course revisions for FSC 105, FSC 115, and FSC 125. Giese so moved and Theobald seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. These minor courses revisions will be **effective Fall 2025**.

Course Withdrawal:

Rationale: Previously, the material taught in FSC215 was a stand-alone 8-hour certification class for the Office of the State Fire Marshal. They have eliminated that separate certification as a requirement for the Basic Operations Firefighter certification and added that content to the core firefighting class.

FSC 215 Vehicle Operations

0.5 lec/0 lab, 0.5 semester hour

Summary of Changes: The course is being withdrawn.

DECISION for FSC 215:

Montgomery stated the certification class is no longer required for the Basic Operations Firefighter certification.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote to withdraw course FSC 215. Newman so moved and Saccone seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. This course will be withdrawn **effective Fall 2025**.

Minor Program Revisions:

Rationale: Due to significant updates in state regulations listed above, content has been adjusted and/or removed from curriculum requirements. No changes have been made to overall required program credit hours.

FSC 610A Fire Science Technology Associate in Applied Science

60.0 semester hours

FSC 612A Firefighter Occupational Certificate

16.0 semester hours

FSC 613D Company Fire Officer Occupational Certificate

39.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Due to Fire Science revisions listed above, FSC215 has been removed from impacted curricula.

DECISION for FSC 610A, FSC 612A, and FSC 613D:

Montgomery stated updates to the programs were due to the regulation changes made by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on these minor program revisions for FSC 610A, FSC 612A, and FSC 613D. Newman so moved and Giese seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. These minor program revisions will be **effective Fall 2025**.

Emergency Medical Technician: Originator – Dan Franklin

Minor Course Revision:

Rationale: We would like to be able to schedule EMT245 and EMT299 to run concurrently to better serve students that move through the EMT245 curriculum at varied paces. This would

allow students to begin in their internship when they are prepared, rather than having to wait for the schedule to dictate that. Currently, some students are having difficulty completing all of their internship hours as required for the certification due to fluctuating call volume.

EMT 299 Paramedic IV - Internship
2 lec/2 lab, 3 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Enforced prerequisite update with the addition of concurrent enrollment in EMT245 Paramedic III.

DECISION for EMT 299:

Franklin stated allowing students to enroll in EMT 299 and EMT 244 concurrently would resolve the schedule issues they have with completing internships.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on this minor course revision for EMT 299. Saccone so moved and Fuller seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. This minor course revision will be **effective Fall 2025**.

Phlebotomy Technician: Originator – Lisa Giese

Minor Course Revision:

Rationale: Changes due to updates in state regulations and curriculum updates.

PBT 105 Theoretical and Clinical Aspects of Phlebotomy
3.5 lec/2 lab, 4.5 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Updates to course notes, objectives, and outcomes.

DECISION for PBT 105:

Giese stated the updates to the textbook, course notes, objectives, and outcomes better align with the certification exam.

Chavis moved for a motion to vote on this minor course revision. Theobald so moved and Fuller seconded the motion. The vote was called and passed. This minor course revision will be **effective Summer 2025**.

Meeting Adjourned:

With no further agenda items, Chavis moved to end the meeting at 3:41 p.m. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Curriculum will be held on February 20, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.