
Curriculum Council Minutes

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Voting Members Present:

Divya Ajintha, Annette Alvarado, Dr. Eric Aurand, Dr. David Barreto, Colleen Budziak, Dr. Kimberly Chavis, Robert Cofield, Mark Crawford, Teri Fuller, Sharon Garcia, Lisa Giese, Dr. Rosianna Gray, Dr. Danielle Hardesty, Dr. Mary Beth Hutches, Elia Iseli, Amber Keare, Todd Laufenberg, Laura Meredith, Donna Mikrut, Jessica Moreno, Jon Nichols, Patricia Saccone, Dr. Reshmi Sen, Renee Skrabacz, Dr. Tamekia Smith, Ne'Keisha Stepney, Jo Lynn Theobald

Voting Members Absent:

Ennis Ballines

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Kristine Cesario-Price, Laura Cronan, Marc Dale, Sarah Kocunik, Terry Lyons, Sharon Rainbolt, Dr. Lisa Richardson, Jo Sobieraj

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Mary Greenwood, Dr. Stacey Randall

Guests Present:

Nancy Christensen, Dr. Scott Peska

Faculty Presenter

Colleen Budziak, Instructor of Chemistry

Provost

Dr. Kimberly Chavis

Chavis called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

Teaching and Learning

Dean: Dr. Ro Gray

No Announcements**Academic Support**

Dean: Jessica Moreno

No Submissions**Arts and Humanities**

Dean: Dr. Danielle Hardesty

No Submissions

Business and Social Science

Dean: Dr. Tamekia Smith

No Submissions

Mathematics and Science

Dean: Dr. Eric Aurand

Major Course Revisions: Originator – Colleen Budziak

Rationale: This revision is necessary to provide students with the time for deep engagement in the material to achieve a mastery of the content. This correlates to the format of the equivalent courses at other area colleges and universities, such as College of DuPage, Elgin Community College, Harper College and Aurora University. The increased hours will allow students to achieve a higher level of competency in the coursework, which is necessary to prepare students for careers in engineering, health and science fields.

CHM121 General Chemistry

3 lec/3 lab 4.0 semester hours **TO** 4 lec/3 lab 5.0 semester hours

CHM122 Chemistry and Qualitative Analysis

3 lec/3 lab 4.0 semester hours **TO** 4 lec/3 lab 5.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: This proposal requests a major course revision for Chemistry 121 and 122, changing its structure from a 4-credit hour format to a 5-credit hour format, increasing lecture hour by 1. As a result of November 13 meeting, CHM122 course description and prereq have been updated.

DECISION for CHM121 and CHM122:

It was confirmed that MTH067 and MTH069 are required preeqs for proficiency in MTH101, MTH102, or MTH107 or appropriate measures.

A vote was called and passed. These major course revisions will be **effective Fall 2026**.

Industry and Technology

Dean: Renee Skrabacz

No Submissions

Health Professions and Public Service

Dean: Bob Cofield

No Submissions

Workforce Education

Manager: Suzanne Markin

No Submissions

Other Business

It was decided the discussion about the new Curriculum Faculty Champion will be postponed and discussed at the January 29th Curriculum Council meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

With no further agenda items, Chavis moved to end the meeting at 2:53 p.m. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of Curriculum Council will be held on January 29th at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.