



WICHITA STATE  
UNIVERSITY

DOROTHY AND BILL COHEN  
HONORS COLLEGE

## Honors College Faculty Council

### MINUTES

January 24, 2019 | 3:30 PM—5:00 PM | Hubbard Hall 112

### Attendance

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*Present:* Douglas Parham (chair 2018-2019) – Health Professions; Holger Meyer (partial meeting attendance) – LAS Math/Natural Sciences; Elaine Bernstorf (partial meeting attendance) – Fine Arts; Samantha Gregus – LAS Social Sciences; Atul Rai – Engineering; Honors Advisor, ex officio; Honors Dean, ex officio

*Absent:* Nathan Filbert (chair elect) – University Libraries; Patrick Bondy – LAS Humanities; Roy Myose – Engineering;

### Meeting Handouts

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- Science Track Minor Proposal
- Catalog Copy
- Curriculum Changes Proposed:
- HNRS 306G Alternative Spring Break Service Leadership

### Discussion

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#### **Curriculum Change Proposals—University Honors Minor, Interdisciplinary Honors Track, Catalog and Web Descriptions: College and Curriculum Overview, & Transfer Credit Policy (Kimberly)**

- Overview of the past and present stipulations of the University Honors minor.
- Discussion about where departmental honors tracks fit, university unduplicated credit policy, and the purpose of university honor.
- Interdisciplinary track – create range of credits in electives (6-8) an applied learning (1-3) to preserve content of track and align with some recent good proposals
- Transfer credits – transfer coursework may be used for up to 50% of any Honors track

Did not have quorum to vote at the meeting.

Vote by email – University Honors Minor, Honors Interdisciplinary Track, and Transfer Credit Policy proposals unanimously approved with one minor revision (friendly amendment) - per chair email record 2/5/19

Revision to transfer credit policy language: A student may transfer coursework from another Honors program or college to count for up to 50% of requirements for any Wichita State University Honors track.

### **HNRS Alternative Spring Break course repeatable for credit? (Jessi)**

Due to the significant difference in experience and learning a student gains by repeating HNRS 306G Alternative Break: Service Leadership, the Cohen Honors College requests the Honors Faculty Council consider changing this course to repeatable once for credit.

Discussed current students who have traveled on the Alternative Spring Break course more than once and want to use this course toward their degrees. One example would use this course as elective credit. This student traveled to a different location each year.

Committee proposed an amendment: to allow the course to be repeatable once for credit. Honors students may use the course only once toward Honors track or minor requirement.

### **Science Track and Minor**

Proposal was tabled for further discussion and vote at a future meeting. Faculty who are proposing the programs will be invited to answer questions.

### **Catalog and Web Descriptions: College and Curriculum Overview**

Proposal was tabled for further discussion and vote at a future meeting. This can be postponed to fall and meet the next catalog deadlines.