

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES**

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION  
NOVEMBER 30, 2021**

The Executive Committee of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences met 11 times during the 2020-2021 academic year.

1. COURSE PROPOSALS

New Courses:	6	Course Changes:	75
Course Discontinuations:	0	Course Restorations:	0
Course Splits:	0	Professional/Grad Courses:	35

2. MS PROGRAMS

- CNAS FEC memo to the Senate concerning New Master Degree Proposal: M.S. Degree in Data Science

3. BS+MS PROGRAMS

- Proposed Degree Program: Microbiology B.S.+M.S. Joint Program

4. MAJORS

The Committee approved curriculum changes to the following undergraduate programs:

- Proposed changes to the Biology BA and BS
- Proposed changes to the B.S. in Cell, Molecular, and Developmental Biology
- Proposed changes to the B.A. and B.S. in Environmental Sciences
- Proposed Changes to the B.S. Mathematics for Secondary School Teachers
- Proposed Changes to the B.A. and B.S. in Neuroscience/NRSC
- Proposed Changes to the Undergraduate Major in Entomology – Redux
- Proposed Changes to the Undergraduate Major Requirements in Microbiology
- Proposed Changes to the Undergraduate major in Plant Biology – Redux
- Proposed Changes to the Undergraduate major in Statistics
- School of Public Policy: Proposed Changes to the Public Policy Major
- Proposed Changes to Earth Sciences Major (Redux)
- Proposed Changes to the CHEM B.S. with Chemical Physics and Environmental Chemistry Options
- Proposed Changes to Geology Major
- Proposed Changes to Geophysics Majors
- Proposed Changes to Plant Biology Major
- Proposed Changes to Undergraduate Major Requirements in Data Sciences

The Committee approved the following new criteria for the undergraduate program:

- Proposed Changes to Major Change Criteria for Earth Sciences and Geology Majors
- Proposed Changes to College Board Advanced Placement Exam Credit – Environmental Sciences
- Proposed Changes to the College Board Advanced Placement Exam Credit – Statistics
- Proposed Changes to the Entomology Transfer Selection Criteria
- Proposed Changes to Data Sciences Transfer Admission and Major Criteria

The Committee approved the following graduate department name changes:

- Proposal for Graduate Program Name Change from Geological Sciences to Earth and Planetary Sciences

5. MINORS

The Committee approved curriculum changes to the following minor:

- Proposed Changes to the Minor in Neuroscience
- Proposed Changes to the Plant Biology Minor
- Proposed Changes to the Statistics Minor

6. DIVISION STATUS

The Committee supports the following Division status:

- Formalization of Division Status for Undergraduate Education

7. ACADEMIC PERSONNEL MANUAL

The Committee reviewed the following revisions to the Academic Personnel Manual:

- Proposed Revisions to the Leave-Related Policies of the 700 Series of the APM

8. OTHER – ISSUES UNDER REVIEW

***Systemwide***

The Committee reviewed the following systemwide issues:

- Systemwide Review] Draft Plan: Draft Presidential Campus Safety Plan
- Proposed Revisions to Policy: Presidential Policy-Fee Policy for Graduate Student in Absentia Registration
- Proposed Policy: SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program
- Proposed Presidential Policy on Native American Cultural Affiliations and Repatriation
- Innovative Learning Technology Initiative (ILTI) Review
- Proposal 2020-21 Curtailment Program
- Report Review: Online Undergraduate Degree Task Force Report

## **Campus**

The Committee reviewed the following campus issues:

- Proposed [new] Degree Program: Master of Public Health (MPH) Proposed Modification to the Merit and Review Process (Extenuating Circumstances)
- Proposed Policy: *Remote Options for Fall 2021*
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Transition of Vice Provost for Administrative Resolution (VPAR) Role at UCR
- Report Review: Final Report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Evaluation of Teaching
- Proposal: Request for use of title Professor of Practice on campus
- Compendium Action: 2<sup>nd</sup> Round – Formalization of Division Status for Undergraduate Education
- Proposal for a Dean's Final Merit Delegation at UCR (including review of CAPS response to Senate re Proposal for a Dean's Final Merit Delegation at UCR)
- UCR Academic Advising Report Review
- Committee on Faculty Welfare – Campus Climate Survey Report
- Draft Policy Role of UCR Financial Planning and Analysis in the Establishment and Financial Management of Self-Supporting Graduate Professional Degree Programs
- Proposal: Interim COVID-Related Dependent Care Modified Duties.
- Proposal to Modify the UCR Comprehensive Review Model for Freshman Admission for Fall 2021 and Fall 2022
- Report of the Academic Council Teaching Evaluation Task Force
- Campus Safety Task Force Draft Report and Recommendations

### 9. DISTINCTION AND RECOGNITION

- The Committee supports the appointment of the following endowed chairs:  
Harry W. Johnson, Jr. Founder's Chair in Chemistry – Pingyun Feng/Chemistry  
Hartland H. Schmidt Founder's Chair in Chemistry – Francisco Zaera/Chemistry  
F. Burton Jones Chair in Pure Mathematics – John Baez/Mathematics  
Wilber W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology – Tim Lyons/Earth & Planetary Sciences  
Singletary Family Endowed Chair in Agriculture – Howard Judelson/Microbiology & Plant Pathology  
Endowed Term Chair for Inclusive Excellence in CNAS – Roya Zandi, Physics & Astronomy

### 10. CAMPUS CONCERNS

The Committee reviewed and commented on the following issues:

- CNAS Instructional Workload Policy
- Chairs' Memo to the Provost re F21 Remote/In-Person/Hybrid Instruction
- CNAS FEC memo to UCR Administration re Future Fluent – University of California Strategic Plan Feb 2021
- CNAS FEC memo to UCR Administration re ***Impacts of Campus-Wide Decisions on CNAS' Research Enterprise***
- Senate Temporary Modifications of Regulations for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021

- Report of the *Student Voice Survey* presented by Co-Chair Student Voice Committee Mark Hanin
- CNAS Worksite Specific Safety Plan
- Fall2021 Instruction Plans (for Fall Return – CNAS participation)
- CNAS Instructional Workload Policy

10. SCHOLARSHIP AND DEGREES CONFERRED

***CNAS Undergraduate Degrees Conferred***

	<u>B.A.</u>	<u>B.S.</u>
Fall 2020	8	87
Winter 2021	4	144
Spring 2021	13	895
Summer 2021	14	214

***Graduation Honors***

	<u>Highest Honors (top 2%)</u>	<u>High Honors (next 4%)</u>	<u>Honors (next 10%)</u>
Fall 2020	1	4	7
Winter 2021	4	3	5
Spring 2021	15	29	76
Summer 2021	1	6	8

***Academic Action***

	<u>FALL 2020</u>		<u>WINTER 2021</u>		<u>SPRING 2021</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Good Standing	5,993	(92.16%)	5,704	(92.33%)	5,352	(90.32%)
Probation	247	(3.80%)	201	(3.25%)	240	(4.06%)
Subject to Disqualification	249	(3.82%)	273	(4.42%)	332	(5.61%)
Disqualified	14	(.22 %)	0	(0.0%)	0	(0.0%)
TOTALS	6,503	(100%)	6,178	(100%)	5,926	(100%)

2020-2021 Executive Committee Members:

Theodore Garland Jr., Chair

Richard Debus, Biochemistry

Janet Franklin, Botany and Plant Sciences

Richard Hooley, Chemistry

Stephen Robert Kane, Earth and Planetary Sciences

Quinn McFrederick, Entomology

Samantha Ying, Environmental Sciences

Timothy Higham, Evolution, Ecology and Organismal Biology

Wee Liang Gan, Mathematics

Hailing Jin, Microbiology and Plant Pathology

Jeffrey Bachant, Molecular, Cell and Systems Biology

Adler Dillman, Nematology

Frederick Hamann, Physics and Astronomy

Esra Kurum, Statistics

Kathryn Uhrich, Dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences: Ex Officio

Connie Nugent, Divisional Dean of the College, Student Academic Affairs: Ex Officio

Frances Sladek, Divisional Dean of the College, Life Sciences: Ex Officio

Timothy Paine, Divisional Dean of the College, Agricultural and Natural Resources: Ex Officio

José Wudka, Divisional Dean of the College, Physical Sciences: Ex Officio