

COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
NOVEMBER 19, 2021
MINUTES

PRESENT: W. Cleaves, Chair; J. Kelliher; F. Vahid; Q. Wang; E. Wong; W. Zhang; E. Engelschall, Ex-Officio

ABSENT: C. Rasmussen

GUESTS: S. Heil, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Institutional Research; Blanca Estella Alba, ASUCR Student Rep.

Chair Wallace Cleaves called the meeting to order at 1:05PM.

The Committee approved the minutes from the October 15, 2021, meeting.

The Chair provided the Committee with an update from the November 5, 2021, meeting of BOARS. Chair Cleaves noted there was a discussion on ELWR and how the different campuses are dealing with it. There is currently a task force looking into the issues of the ELWR requirements. BOARS also reviewed a proposal for A-G requirements, IGETC Ethnic Studies and Senate Regulation revision. UC Admission Directors and Enrollment Management Leads provided updates on AB 132: Dual Admission and AB 928: Student Transfer Achievement Reform (STAR) Act of 2021.

The Committee reviewed the pre-proposal for the proposed Department of Environment, Sustainability, and Health Equity (ESHQ) in CHASS and note that the inclusion of this department is likely to encourage the application of students interested in the growing fields of environmental and sustainability science, and with health equity. The growing fields of study this department would engage with will also be of interest to many prospective students and may increase applications overall.

The Committee on Undergraduate Admissions reviewed the proposed new Department of Black Study and note the proposed new department could significantly increase the number of black students who select and attend at UCR, which has historically lagged behind the number of applications from that group of students. Having a Department of Black Study may help black students feel more welcomed and supported in the UCR community. It may help with recruitment of underrepresented minority students in general and promote a greater sense of overall inclusion.

Interim AVC Engelschall updated the Committee on Holistic Review. The reads have been completed, including all 3rd reads. The Office of Institutional Research is currently transitioning into analysis of scores. It was noted that the pilot was high for 3rd reads, therefore the scale may need to be re-examined. The next step would be to consult with Senate committees to obtain feedback.

Interim AVC Engelschall also gave the committee updates on Fall 2022 Enrollment targets and the report on Admission by Exception percentages for the Fall 2021 term.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:35PM.

Approved: January 21, 2022

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