

**Florida Atlantic University  
University Honors Council  
Minutes**

19 January 2024

8:30-10 am

Remote: Microsoft Teams

**Meeting started at 8:34 am**

**Present:** Fred Bloetscher; Maré Cudic; Seth Fallik; Michael Harrawood; Mary Ann Leavitt; Michelle Papania; Chris Strain Patricia Willems

**Absent:** Eric Levy; Gerard Sim

**Ex-officio:** Mary Ann Gosser (Chair); Dan Meeroff

**Guest:** Rachel Corr

**Minutes** of 17 November 2023 meeting were approved

**1) UUPC Updates:** (4 December 2023 meeting)

- Honors in Engineering Program (approved)
- PCB 4054C RI: H Drosophila Genes and Behavior (WHC new course and RI approved)
- PCB 4832C RI: H Neurophysiology (WHC new course and RI approved)
- POS 2692 H Punishment (WHC approval to remove WAC)
- Program Change to Marine Biology Concentration (WHC approved)
- Program Change to Psychology Concentration (WHC approved)
- Program Change to Spanish Literature Minor (WHC new title Spanish minor approved)
- Program Change to Transdisciplinary Visual Art Minor (WHC approved)

**2) Senate Updates:** (4 December 2023 meeting)

- New Program: H Professional Studies (approved)

**3) New business:**

From the WHC

- ANT 2410 H Culture and Society (change course description) approved
- SPN 2162 H Spanish for Healthcare Professionals (new course) approved
- SPN 2221 H Intermediate Spanish and Language and Culture II (add ASL certification) approved
- H Biological Anthropology (changes to program) approved
- H Physics Concentration (changes to program/add AST H 2002 as an elective) approved
- H Physics Minor Concentration (changes to program/add AST H 2002 as an elective) approved

**4) Spring 2024 meetings:** 16 February, 15 March, 19 April

**5) Chair's Report:** University Honors Program's 2022-2023 assessment report was completed on Weave at end of fall 2023 semester; 2023-2024 assessment plans were uploaded, and data requested from IEA to be analyzed in spring 2024 (to help determine curricular offerings). University Scholars Student Group recruitment and application to be recognized as a student organization through COSO is underway. Reading Committee for UHP has narrowed options to 4 titles; will be meeting soon to select the common reading book (gifted to incoming UHP students at Welcoming Reception).

**6) Dean Meeroff's request:** For UHC to vote on new course descriptions for HUM 2020 H Intro to Humanities, OCE 2001 H Intro to Oceanography, and LIT 2000 H Intro to Literature (all in the Wilkes Honors College) in light of SB 266, a state-mandate that requires IFP course descriptions to be updated. Members of the UHC agreed to review these changes to the courses and vote electronically as soon as the UHC's chair receives them and requests the vote.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:31 am.**