

**Texas Tech University  
Academic Council**

**Meeting of June 18, 2024  
1:30 PM, TLPDC, Room 151 and via Zoom**

**Attendance**

**Present:** Cindy Akers, Nurcan Bac, Andrea Bilkey, Stefanie Borst, Dottie Durband, Lindsay Hallowell, Kaelene Hansen, Jennifer Hughes, Wendy-Adele Humphrey, Darryl James (Chair), Brett Jordan (for Christiana Christofides), Amy Koerber, Mitzi Lauderdale, Ryan Litsey, Kat Livingston (for Bobbie Brown), Michael Carter (for Pat McConnel), Narissra Punyanunt-Carter, Paul Ruiz, Kymberli Saldaña, Sarah Schwintz, Brian Shannon, Amelia Talley, Abigail Vega, Janessa Walls, and Stephanie West.

**Guest:** Katherine Harris

<p><b>Action Items:</b></p>
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| <p>1. None.</p> |
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James called the meeting to order by presenting the minutes from the May meeting. Hearing no discussion, James called for a motion. Villegas moved, Durband seconded, and the minutes were approved.

For the next item of business, Hallowell introduced the summary of course proposals, beginning with the voting items, which were items 1-6. With no discussion of the voting items, James called for a motion. Talley moved, Koerber seconded, and the voting items were approved. Hallowell then introduced the informational items, which were prerequisite, corequisite, and restriction changes.

Next, Hallowell introduced the program proposals, beginning with the voting items, which were items 1-3. For item 2, James clarified that the proposed name change from University Studies to the School of Professional Studies will be an internal change, as the THECB lists all of those programs under the Office of the Provost. James also reminded the Council members that any program with approved face-to-face and 100% online modalities is automatically approved as hybrid and does not require additional approvals. For item 3, Walls clarified that the School of Law is removing courses no longer being offered from the Energy Law concentration and adding additional courses as electives. James asked if current students will be allowed to use the former courses, and Walls explained that there are no students currently in the concentration. With no further clarifications needed, James called for a motion. Litsey moved, Bac seconded, and the programs were approved.

For the next item of business, Lauderdale proposed updated language for the drop exception policy as it relates to our part-of-term process. Students who complete a course in a part of term that ends earlier than the full term are unable to withdraw from the full term. If a student subsequently needs to withdraw from the remaining courses, they must drop them instead. The proposal requests to allow the Registrar's Office to document such drops as drop exceptions so that they do not count against the drop limit. James called for a vote, and Talley opposed the proposed language, expressing concern that the language of circumstances beyond a student's control was ambiguous.

The Council agreed to amend the language to “recommendation for part-of-term drop exceptions.” James called for a re-vote, and the Council unanimously approved.

In other business, Lauderdale notified the Council that as part of the strategic enrollment planning process, several OPs will be under revision, specifically OP 34.12 regarding midterm grades. Currently, midterm grades are only required for freshmen and student athletes, but the updated language will include new and transfer students in their first term at the institution at the undergraduate level. James asked if the policy will route to Faculty Senate. Hansen mentioned that this particular OP would route to Faculty Senate.

In another item of other business, James thanked everyone who has been dealing with SB 25 and apologized for the frustrations involved with it.

James then asked if the Council would like to cancel the July meeting in favor of an email vote on any necessary items. The Council agreed. Hollowell offered to still create the summary of course and program proposals so those voting items would be in a single document.

Hearing no other business or announcements, James adjourned the meeting.

### Voting Items Courses

#### Add New Course

No.	College	Prefix & No.	Title	Description	Hours/Activity Type	Modality	Effective Term
1	UN	INTS 3305	Critical Thinking in Leadership	Introduces leadership theory and concepts through critical thinking exercises to enable an understanding of the impact of leadership decision making.	3:3:0:0 Lecture	Online	Fall 2024

#### Change Activity Type

No.	College	Prefix & No.	Change Requested	Effective Term
2	EN	ENGR 4001	Allow lecture, internship, practicum activity types	Spring 2025

#### Delete Course

No.	College	Prefix & No.	Title	Effective Term
3	AS	KIN 3314	Lifespan Motor Development	Spring 2025

#### Multiple Changes

No.	College	Change Type	Prefix & No.	Title	Description	Credit/Contact Hours / CIP Code / Activity Type / eLearning	Effective Term
4	LW	Title, Description	LAW 7101	<b>Proposed:</b> Journal of Technology, Law & Society  <b>Current:</b> Journal of Biosecurity, Biosafety, and Biodefense Law	<b>Proposed:</b> Students will write an article for consideration for the journal and edit articles submitted to the journal.  <b>Current:</b> Students will edit submissions to the Journal of Biosecurity, Biosafety, and Biodefense.		Spring 2025
5	BA	Title, Description	MKT 3350	<b>Proposed:</b> Marketing for a Global Marketplace  <b>Current:</b> Introduction to Marketing	<b>Proposed:</b> Overview of marketing and how it is used in creating, communicating, delivering, and exchanging valuable market offerings to customers. The course includes an applied international experience.  <b>Current:</b> Marketing structures and agencies; motives and buying habits; types of middlemen, marketing institutions, and channels; current marketing practices; marketing of industrial and consumer goods.		Spring 2025
6	BA	Title, Description	SCM 3353	<b>Proposed:</b> Supply Chain and Operations Management  <b>Current:</b> Supply Chain Management	<b>Proposed:</b> An overview of how SCM enables technology to enhance supplier and customer relationships, operations, logistics, compliance, project management, and sourcing. Students gain cross-functional experience regarding demand-driven value networks.  <b>Current:</b> An introduction to principles and practices used today in managing relationships among manufacturers, distributors, retailers, and consumers.		Spring 2025

### Voting Items Programs

#### Modality Change

No.	College	Department	Program Type	Title	Change Requested	Effective Term
1	HS	Human Sciences Department	Undergraduate Minor	Biobehavioral Health and Wellness, Undergraduate Minor	Add hybrid and 100% online modalities	Fall 2024

#### Administrative Unit Change

No.	College	Department	Action	Effective Term
2	UN	University Studies	Change department name to School of Professional Studies	Fall 2024

#### Multiple Changes

No.	College	Department	Program Type	Title	Change Requested	Effective Term
3	LW	School of Law	Law Concentration	Law and Science Concentration - Energy Law	Change title to Energy Law Concentration  Change required curriculum	Fall 2025