

Annual Report of the University Interdisciplinary Courses Committee (UICC)

Academic Year, 2023-2024

Introduction

The University Interdisciplinary Courses Committee (UICC) consists of voting members and alternates representing the 8 undergraduate schools and colleges and additional regional campus representatives. In addition, ex-officio, non-voting members represent academic and student affairs units that offer relevant courses, as well as other stakeholders. The UICC oversees the interdepartmental and interdisciplinary and/or program-based, non-departmental curriculum and advises faculty members and staff on these course proposals. In January 2014, its mission was extended to oversee the Military Science (MISI) and Air Force (AIRF) courses, administered by the Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs. The UICC has a policy guide to record their decisions on matters of protocol and a website <http://uicc.uconn.edu/> to better communicate UICC activities to the University community and to serve as a source of forms and instructions for those wishing to conduct business with it.

The UICC reports to the Provost's Office, and administrative support for the committee has been provided by the University Senate Office.

The committee met once during the last academic year, in February 2024. Additional ad hoc meetings of the UICC Chair and Administrator took place to discuss and approve courses not requiring full committee votes. This report summarizes committee activities.

Course Requests (Add/Drop/Revise):

The UICC approved the following new courses:

- UNIV 3088: Confronting Anti-Muslim Racism
- UNIV 3294 Entrepreneurial Approaches to Community-Centered Innovation
- UNIV 3995 Post-Baccalaureate Seminar: Preparing for Health Professions I
- UNIV 3995 Post-Baccalaureate Seminar: Preparing for Health Professions II

Experiential Global Learning (formerly Education Abroad):

The UICC continues to receive requests from students to align courses taken while studying abroad. This academic year, the UICC received 8 course alignments requests. Unless otherwise noted, these requests are approved by the UICC Chair.

The UNIV Curriculum:

Offering unit	Course number	Course title
First Year Programs and Learning Communities	UNIV 1800	FYE University Learning Skills
	UNIV 1810	FYE Learning Community Seminar
	UNIV 1820	First Year Seminar
	UNIV 1840	Learning Community Service-Learning
	UNIV 3820	Learning Community Advanced Seminar
Honors Program	UNIV 1784	Freshman Honors Seminar
	UNIV 3784	Interdisciplinary Honors Seminar
	UNIV 1730	Holster Research Proposal Development
Center for Career Development	UNIV 1991	Supervised Internship Experience
	UNIV 1981	Documented Internship Experience (S/U)
	UNIV 3080	Peer Mentorship Leadership Development
	UNIV 3991	Interdisciplinary Internship Field Experience
	UNIV 4800	SYE Senior Year Experience
	UNIV 4820	SYE Seminars
Center for Academic Programs within the Institute for Student Success	UNIV 2100	The McNair Scholar
African American Cultural Center	UNIV 2230	The PA ² SS Program, Mentoring African American Students
Rainbow Center	UNIV 2500	Gender, Sexuality and Community
Individualized & Interdisciplinary Studies Program	UNIV 2600	Individualized Study Across Academic Disciplines
	UNIV 4600W	Capstone Course
	UNIV 4697W	Senior Thesis
Dean of Students Office	UNIV 2820	TYE: Transition Year Experience

Other courses	UNIV 1985/3985	Special Topics (S/U)
	UNIV 1995/3995	Special Topics (graded)
	UNIV 1993/2993/3993	International Study
	UNIV 1983/2983	International Study (S/U)
	UNIV 1999/3999	Independent Study

Sponsoring unit(s)	Course number	Course title
Experiential Global Learning	INTD 1993/1999 3993/3999	International Study
Other	INTD 1985/1995 3985/3995	Special Topics
African American Cultural Center	INTD 2245	Introduction to Diversity Studies in American Culture

The INTD Curriculum:

Subject	Catalog	Status	Added to Catalog
INTD	1985	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	1993	Active	5/22/1997
INTD	1995	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	1999	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	2245	Active	2/5/2007
INTD	3260	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	3584	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	3590	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	3594	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	3594W	Active	1/1/1992
INTD	3985	Active	2/5/2007
INTD	3993	Active	8/28/1978

INTD	3995	Active	8/28/1973
INTD	3999	Active	8/28/1973

The AIRF and MISI Curriculum:

Sponsoring unit(s)	Course number	Course title
Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs	AIRF 1000/1200	Air Force Studies I
	AIRF 2000/2200	Air Force Studies II
	AIRF 3000/3200/W	Air Force Studies III
	AIRF 3500	Aviation Ground School
	AIRF 4000/4200	Air Force Studies IV
Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs	MISI 1101/1102	General Military Science Ia/Ib
	MISI 1133	General Military Science: Air Rifle Marksmanship
	MISI 2201/2202	General Military Science IIa/IIb
	MISI 3301/3302	General Military Science III
	MISI 4401/4402	General Military Science IV

Annual Report Program Data:

All data provided by BPIR

UNIV, INTD, MISI and AIRF Course Offerings (3-year Snapshot)

	2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
	Section	Seats	Sections	Seats	Sections	Seats
UNIV 1730	1	15	1	17	1	14
UNIV 1784	34	568	35	578	32	547
UNIV 3784	4	51	1	4	4	37
UNIV 1800	155	2723	162	2923	167	2928
UNIV 1810	97	1724	102	2010	109	1982

UNIV 1820	51	677	40	596	43	605
UNIV 1840	12	214	12	322	11	293
UNIV 1991	1	5	1	3	2	10
UNIV 3991	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNIV 1981	2	2	0	0	1	1
UNIV 2100	2	27	2	23	2	32
UNIV 2230	2	58	1	11	0	0
UNIV 2500	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNIV 2600	4	46	3	30	2	37
UNIV 3080	1	19	1	19	1	20
UNIV 3820	35	731	40	676	36	532
UNIV 4600W	2	31	2	14	2	21
UNIV 4697W	20	21	17	22	17	17
UNIV 4800	7	144	9	159	11	238
UNIV 4820	1	18	2	33	3	29
UNIV 4840	1	14	1	14	1	13
UNIV 1985/3985	2	1867	0	0	0	0
UNIV 1995/3995	1	13	0	0	1	17
UNIV 1999/3999	1	1	0	0	1	1
TOTAL UNIV	442	11,995	441	11,608	456	10,110
INTD 1985/3985	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTD 1995/3995	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTD 2245	1	35	1	30	0	0
INTD 3222			0	0	0	0
INTD 3260	2	18	2	38	2	42
INTD 3584	1	2	1	3	1	2
INTD 3590	1	2	1	3	1	2
INTD 3594/W	1	2	1	4	1	2

INTD 3999	0	0	0	0	1	12
TOTAL INTD	6	59	9	89	6	60
TOTAL INTD & UNIV	448	12,054	450	11,697	462	10,170
AIRF 1000/1200	6	48	6	82	6	66
AIRF 2000/2200	4	36	5	32	6	76
AIRF 3000/3200	4	46	4	16	4	26
AIRF 3000W/3200W	0	0	0	0	0	0
AIRF 3500	2	21	2	30	2	33
AIRF 4000/4200	4	30	4	44	4	16
TOTAL AIRF	20	181	21	204	22	217
MISI 1101/1102	4	31	4	43	3	22
MISI 1133	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISI 2201/2202	2	33	2	28	2	29
MISI 3301/3302	4	46	4	86	5	68
MISI 4401/4402	4	104	4	44	4	70
TOTAL MISI	14	214	14	201	14	189
TOTAL UICC COURSES	482	12,449	485	12,102	498	10,576

UNIV Courses Offered at Regional Campuses:

FALL 2023	Avery Point		Hartford		Stamford		Waterbury	
UNIV 1800	5	99	15	273	22	394	12	179
UNIV 1810					6	81		
UNIV 1820	2	19						
UNIV 1784					3	29		
UNIV 3784					1	8		
UNIV 3820					1	25		
UNIV 4697W	1	1						
SPRING 2024								
UNIV 1800			3	48	1	8	1	16
UNIV 1810					1	20		
UNIV 1820	1	7						
UNIV 3584			1	2				

UNIV 3590			1	2				
UNIV 3999					1	1		
UNIV 4820			1	7				

UICC Membership, 2024-2025:

Chair: Morty Ortega, Associate Professor, CAHNR, NRE

UICC Administrator: Michelle Everard

Voting Members and Alternates:

College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources:

Member: vacant

Alternate: Chris Blesso, APiR, Nutritional Sciences (term ends 5/2025)

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences:

Member: Melina Pappademos – Associate Professor, History, Africana Studies Institute (2026)

Alternate: vacant

Neag School of Education:

Member: Michele Back – Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction (2026)

Alternate: Tutita Casa – Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction (2026)

School of Fine Arts:

Member: Chris Sancomb – Assistant Professor, Art & Art History (2026)

Alternate: Michael Vertefeuille – Associate Department Head, Digital Media, & Design (2026)

School of Business:

Member: Gerlinde Berger-Wallister – Associate Professor, Business Law (2025)

Alternate: Bob Day – Professor, Operations & Information Management, agreed to serve as alternate (per Nora Madjar) (2026)

School of Engineering:

Member: Shinae Jang, Civil & Environmental Engineering (2026)

Alternate: Jason Lee – Associate Professor in Residence, School of Mechanical, Aerospace & Manufacturing Engineering (2026)

School of Nursing:

Member: Michelle Cole, Associate Clinical Professor, Nursing (2026)

Alternate: Millicent Malcolm, Associate Clinical Professor, Nursing (2026)

School of Pharmacy:

Member: Ted Rasmussen – Associate Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences (2026)

Alternate: Jennifer Giroto – Clinical Professor & Assistant Department Head, Pharmacy Practice (2026)

Regional Campuses:

Member: Lori Gresham – Assistant Professor in Residence, Psychological Sciences, Stamford Campus (2026)

Alternate: Waterbury Campus, vacant

Ex-Officio (non-voting) Members and Alternates:

Enrichment Programs

Member: Jaclyn Chancey – Assistant Director for Curriculum Assessment and Planning, Honors

Alternate: Kenneth Cormier – Director, Individualized and Interdisciplinary Studies Program & Coordinator, University Scholar Program

Institute for Student Success

Member: David Ouimette – Exec. Program Director, First Year Programs & Learning Communities

Alternate: Leo Lachut, Interim Director of First-Year Programs & Learning Communities, Director of Academic Support

Registrar's Office

Member: Terra Zuidema – Program Manager, Registrar's Office

Alternate: Marcus Hatfield – Assistant Registrar, Registrar's Office

Senate Curricula & Courses Committee

Member: Gustavo Nanclares, CLAS, Literatures, Cultures & Languages, and Chair of Senate C&C

Student Affairs

Member: Maureen Armstrong – Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs

Center for Career Development

Member: Beth Settje – Associate Director

Alternate: Jim Lowe – Executive Director of the Center for Career Development

Veterans and Military Programs:

Member: Alyssa Kelleher – Director, Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs