

University Council on Teacher Education
Minutes for December 12, 2023
2:30 – 3:30
Zoom

Members Present: Suzanne Burton, Duane Cottrell, Sarah Curtiss, Trish Hermance, Gary Henry, Steff Kotch-Jester, Basia Moltchanov, Krissy Najera, Rosalyn Washington

Members Not Present: Laura Desimone, Gabby Wuensch

Guests: Ann Bullock, Bridget Duda, Teresa, Hickok, Diana Lys, Tory McHugh, Aimee Neff

The November 14, 2023, minutes were unanimously approved.

Announcements

1. We do not typically meet in January; however, Elementary Education has several proposals that need a UCTE vote and are time sensitive. Krissy will send out documents and a doodle poll to schedule the meeting.

Old Business

1. Portrait of a UD Teacher – (Krissy, Diana, & Ann)
 - UDTPA – Task 2 & 3 – We received great feedback on these two tasks and made the necessary changes. Krissy solicited any additional feedback and there was none. The council voted on Task 2 & 3.
 - **Tasks 2 & 3 were unanimously approved.**
 - Task 1 initial draft was reviewed. Task 1 encompasses creating a class profile, student profile, and reflection questions. Part of the task is to return to the profile after 5 weeks so the student can reflect on and revise, if necessary, their original reflection. We want to give students the opportunity to review their profiles, review the data and make data-informed decisions by getting to know their students in the class in groups and as individuals in order to then conduct really culturally relevant instruction.
 - Feedback from council:
 - It seems that robust data has a number of different categories and criteria, and cultural sensitivity only has one. Are there other criteria that can be brought to bear in order to demonstrate adequate cultural sensitivity?
 - Regarding the section that talks about “without judgement”, would it be important to capture “without assumptions” as well? I think judgement and assumptions are two different pieces and students tend to make assumptions about students.

- When rolled out will we provide any examples for the students? We are creating a guide for students, a guide for field instructors and an FAQ for faculty so everyone is on the same page and knows what to expect.
- **ACTION: The Task 1 Subgroup will incorporate feedback then send to council members to review Task 1 with their program/unit and gather feedback and send it to Krissy by COB on January 8, 2024.**
- The timeline was reviewed, and data is accurate.
- Who will grade the UDTPA? A majority of programs will have the field instructors review and grade as they are working with the students during student teaching. The option of using a graduate student was also mentioned. Programs undecided will discuss with programs/units for feedback.

New Business

1. World Language Course Change – (Basia)
 - Basia explained the change for World Languages. The change is to replace 491 with 691 for graduate students pursuing certification. This change will allow students to pursue MA degree and certification track.
 - **Approval: unanimously approved**

The meeting adjourned around 3:15 p.m.