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Florida Atlantic University
University Honors Council
29 October 2021 8:30-10 am Remote: Cisco Webex
Minutes
Meeting started at 8:35 am
Present: Allan Barsky; Fred Bloetscher; Mare Cudic; Michael Harrawood; Mike Harris; Mary Ann Leavitt; Eric
Levy, Michelle Papania
Ex-officio: Mary Ann Gosser (Chair); Donna Chamely-Wiik; Debbie Johnson-Rais

Minutes of 3 September 2021 meeting were approved

1) UUPC Updates: (13 September 2021 meeting)
The following changes were approved:
x Changes to Political Science concentration: Replace POS 4970 with IDS 4970
x Changes to Spanish concentration: Replace SPW 4970 with IDS 4970
x Terminate SPW 4912
x PHY 4936 Change of prerequisite
 UUPC Updates: (11 October 2021 meeting)
x Changes to Biological Chemistry concentration: Change thesis courses to IDS 4970; add BSC 1011L
as the required course for this concentration; add electives from College of Science (total 13 credits
of electives with at least 1 elective to be taken at the WHC) ; and clean course offerings
o Total number of credits have changed from 71 to 72-76
x Changes to International Studies concentration: Change existing honors thesis to IDS 4970 and
revise course offerings
x Changes to Latin American concentration: Change existing honors thesis to IDS 4970 and revise
course offerings
x Changes to Law and Society concentration: Revise course offerings
2) Senate Updates: (20 September 2021 meeting)
The following change was approved:
x Changes to History concentration: Change existing honors thesis to IDS 4970 and revise course
offerings
Senate Updates: (11 October 2021 meeting)
x Changes to Political Science concentration: Replace POS 4970 with IDS 4970
x Changes to Spanish concentration: Replace SPW 4970 with IDS 4970
x Terminate SPW 4912
x PHY 4936 Change of prerequisite
3) Approved: Changes to Neuroscience concentration (WHC):
a. Addition of BSC 1011 and BSC 1011L to the Cellular Core. Added because they are prerequisites
to other courses.
b. Addition of courses to the neuroscience electives for both the Cellular Track and the Behavioral
Track.
c. Creation of new Biology Electives section for the Behavioral Track and the shift of courses to
this category.
NOTE: The two tracks have different numbers of credits because they serve different students. The
Cellular Track has more credits. It is heavily used by premeds. Many courses in the Cellular Track, such
as PCB 3703 Honors Human Morphology, require many prerequisites. For example, PCB 3703 requires

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4) Discussion on how to grow Honors:
x Shared and discussed documents and updates related to Provost’s request to envision Honors
education differently
o Document 1: items that definitely need to be addressed (admission standards and
recruitment, staffing, space, scholarships, financial support (other than tuition or room and