10/16/2025 Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes

• Reference: 091825 Minutes

Dr. Kim Approved, Joe second

2. Old Business

Double major policy changes:

- Approved new limit: maximum 140 units for double majors.
- Exception process available for students needing more units.
- Goal: encourage early declaration and prevent degree delays.
- Students exceeding 140 units may lose financial aid eligibility.
- Extra units can be approved by the dean or associate dean.

Kim motion, Qi Wei second,

Minors policy changes:

- Students can count up to 25% of total required units toward a minor (upper or lower division).
- Policy keeps prior flexibility and consistency.
- Departments decide specific course requirements.
- Considered equity for students from varied backgrounds.
- Discussed effects on majors with cognate courses.

Decided to change to 25% to be more consistence to current proposal. Approved.

3. New Business

a. REFERRAL #02 - Academic Degree Policies

2025-2026 REFERRAL #09: Proposal for New Minor in Applied Mathematics

• Offers science students a specialized pathway without Math 3000.

Kim motion to approve, Joe second, Approved

2025-2026 REFERRAL #011: Proposal for Minor in Creative Writing

- Proposed 4-course minor (3 existing, 1 new).
- Some concerns about overlap with existing minors.
- Approved; seen as beneficial for student career opportunities.

Joe motion, Eduardo second, Approved

2025-2026 REFERRAL #12: Proposal for New Concentration MPA HCM

- Proposed Healthcare Administration concentration within MPA.
- Debate on graduate concentration requirements (9 vs. 12 units).
- Two degrees discussed: MPA with concentration and MS in Healthcare Administration.
- Supportive of idea but further research needed on requirements.

Ask providing more background. Invite representatives to explain the details.

2025-2026 REFERRAL #13: Proposal for New Concentration MPA NPM

- Plan: allow MPA students to take 3 electives from the MS program.
- Questions raised about degree distinctions and professional differences.
- Decision: invite presenters back to clarify rationale and structure.

Invite representatives to explain the details.