
Undergraduate Medical Education Committee (UMEC)

APPROVED

January 21st, 2022

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Meeting took place via Zoom

Attendees: Adam Bass, Kevin Busche, Melinda Davis, Janeve Desy, James Fewell, Adrian Harvey, Taj Jadavji, Rahim Kachra, Martina Kelly, John Kortbeek, Chris Naugler (Chair), Sarah Weeks Allison Brown, Karen Chadboldt, Shannon Leskosky, Mike Paget, Shelly Sullivan (Admin), Richard Walker

Regrets: James Fewell, Karen Fruetel, Carol Hutchison, John Kortbeek, Kevin McLaughlin, Laura Ansell, Scott Bell, Mohammed Bondok, Kathy Fu, Erica Lindquist, Kerri Martin, Ian Walker

Call to Order

The UMEC meeting took place via Zoom and was called to order @ 1:02pm by Dr. C. Naugler (Chair).

Consent Agenda

Approval of Agenda – The January 21st, 2022, Agenda was approved

All in favor – Motion Approved

Approval of Minutes from October 15th, 2021, was approved

All in favor – Motion Approved

Research Committee TOR was approved

1. Standing Items:

3.1 Pre-Clerkship Committee:

Dr. Weeks reported to the committee that COVID has continued to push back online learning (small groups, lectures, anatomy). Class of 2023 completed Course 7 in person, Class of 2024 returned to the anatomy lab for part of the course and were able to do their career exploration class and shadowing has started up again. In January, due to COVID, UofC pushed back small groups / lectures online, medical skills hybrid, ICP/Integrative for Class of 2023 had to move completely online, shadowing is continuing, and preceptors have been given the option to do zoom sessions, clinical correlation is continuing, and In-person anatomy will resume in February for the Class of 2024.

EDI has been working very hard to improve things around the use of inclusive language, both in course documents and as well as exam questions. Ran an Implicit Bias workshop for Year 1 students and receiving a lot of positive feedback about language use exam questions. Some highlights from the timetable; include exam days that are student friendly, Course 7 will start before Course 6, better alignment with longitudinal anatomy and an extra week for

clerkship. Dr. Weeks also reported changes made to the attendance and flex day policies that will primarily affect the pre clerkship program. Students will now get five FLEX days instead of three with only 10 being given out on any day, so large groups missing at one time. With the attendance policy, small groups are mandatory and will now require an excused absence in order to miss small group. Leadership changes include, AEBM Evaluation Coordinator, Dr. Etienne Mahe, Course 2 Evaluation Coordinator, Dr. George Francis and Course 6 Evaluation Coordinator position is now posted.

3.2 Clerkship Committee

Dr. Busche reported that the Class of 2023 just started Clerkship and noted there was some time lost for some of the individuals due to COVID but numbers are now improving. A decision was made by National UME Deans that the Class of 2023 would not be having visiting electives. AFMC is installing a new online portal for booking visiting electives which will not be operational until May. Class of 2022 are now preparing CaRMS applications for the January 31, 2022 deadline and have the option of deferring their exam three days before their CaRMS cut off. Dr. Busche reported that AHS has decided that learners have to be tested twice a year on their ability to properly Donning and Doffing their PPE equipment. This will be done during MTU and Peds CTU blocks and will be monitored by nurses.

3.3 Student Evaluation Committee

Dr. Desy informed the committee that a motion was passed at the last SEC meeting held on Nov 20 SEC to approve a new evaluation for the community engaged learning course where students will do a critical reflection tool with the same structured rubric that is currently used in the global year one assignment. Teaching has moved online but exams are continuing in person with proper COVID seating and masking. Continuing to collect EPAs for the clerkship level students. According to the data they are mostly on track to collect enough EPAs for the competency committee meeting in a few months. She reported that Year One and Year Two's continue to complete their regular assessments and evaluations. Research submission portal is still up and running. Receiving positive feedback that student research portal is going well and getting a lot of engagement from our learners. The research group approved through this committee continue to meet weekly and a research technician has recently been hired to support the research program. Four new mentors have been hired for the remediation success program and will start training with Dr. Desy.

3.4 Student Reports: Class of 2023:

Nothing to report

3.5 Class of 2024:

Nothing to report

3.6 RIME (Re-Imagining Medical Education):

Allison Brown reported on the progress of the RIME curriculum and ongoing faculty and community involvement. The Terms of Reference was accepted with the revision to the committee structure to include a designated generalist focused on Family Medicine. RIME continues to evolve and progress reports will be updated with newsletters and reports. For further detail, please attached RIME report.

Proposal: Dr. Naugler proposed to accept RIME Report as it was presented today.
First: Dr. K. Busche
Second: Dr. J. Desy
All in favour.

3.7 Accreditation Update:

Nothing to report

3.8 Associate Dean's Report (C. Naugler):

Dr. Naugler informed the committee of Dr. Doug Myhre retirement, and an email will be circulated asking for applications to replace this position. Dr. Naugler presented the findings for the 2021 MCCQE Part 1, which included the performance of our students, compared to other Canadian graduates on different parts of the exams and reported that the University of Calgary ranks just below the national average of first-time takers. The results will be circulated to the committee.

Dr. Naugler informed the committee of the upcoming changes to the Student Academic Review Committee (SARC) Terms of Reference including aligning the UME practices with the Main Campus Policies and Procedures, input from the University of Calgary Med legal resources and CPSA. The goals are to have a streamlined process, remove ambiguity, reduce misalignment with main campus policies (reducing process appeals), and align with other faculties where it makes sense to do so.

New Business

1. RIME Sub-Committee TOR approval

Proposal: to accept the minutes with the change of adding a generalist to the Steering Committee
First: Dr. K. Busche
Second: Dr. A. Harvey
All in favour.

Meeting was adjourned @ 2:51 p.m. by Dr. Naugler (Chair)