**O’Malley School of Business Curriculum Committee (OMSBCC)**

Minutes of the Meeting

Friday, August 24, 2021, Online

**Present:** Mary Michel (Chair), Natalia Boliari, Enrico Forti, Hany Guirguis, Yassir Samra,

Amanda Sanseverino, Sunaina Shrivastava, Marc Waldman, and Donald Gibson

(ex-officio).

Dr. Michel called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

1. Professor Samra nominated Professor Michel for the chair position of the O'Malley School of Business Curriculum Committee for this year. Professor Forti seconded the nomination, and Professor Michal was unanimously elected.

1. Chairperson Michel welcomed the committee's new members who are temporarily replacing faculties on sabbatical (Natalia Boliari and Marc Waldman) and permanently joining the committee (Sunaina Shrivastava).
2. Dean Gibson discussed the zero credit proposal for the internship and research experience. Dean Gibson stated that career preparation is a key element for business students. At least 20% of business students do not actively participate in the seminars and career preparations due to commuting, other obligations and/or lack career networking skills. The goal of the OMSB is to bring all the students together. Thus, the OMSB is interested in ensuring that all of our students will have the opportunity to have internships, research, and career experience critical for their success. Dean Gibson proposed the zero-credit course to accomplish this task. The zero-credit course is free and graded on a pass/fail basis. To pass the course and graduate, the students must complete an internship, research project or other professional experience. Professor Farrelly will be the primary monitor of the zero-credit course. The course will also provide reliable information about the percentage of our students who have career experience. The committee members suggested the following proposals to expand the scope of career experience:

- Professor Michel: Software certifications such as Excel and Bloomberg

certifications.

                                        Service-learning opportunities such as tax preparations.

- Professor Shrivastava: Internal internships at Manhattan college, such as the ones

offered by the marketing and communications.

- Professor Boliari: Accumulate job hours from different places toward meeting the

requirements of career experience.

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All the committee members agree that the zero-credit course is a good idea worth exploring.

1. The committee briefly discussed the By-Laws. For future discussion, Dean Gibson stated that the curriculum committee should expand its involvement, especially in conjunction with the assurance of learning committee. The Dean also plans to propose some changes to the By-Laws in the next meetings.

1. Dean Gibson will recreate the Minutes from the last meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Hany Guirguis.