Graduate Council Minutes  
April 26, 2007

The Graduate Council met at 1:00 p.m. in the President’s Conference Room. Chair Marc Singer presided.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Kristen Beadle, Melissa Castellaw, Teresa Davis, Jackie Eller, William Ilsley, Philip Phillips, Saleh Sbenaty, Amy Staples, and Mary Lou Veal

Ex-officio members present: Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies  
Pamela Knox, Associate Dean College of Graduate Studies

II. Announcements

A. Dr. Marc Singer, Chair

Dr. Singer reported on the status of the email sent out after the last council meeting requesting approval of three new Master of Science degrees in the Health and Human Performance as well as the termination and phase out of the MS degree in HPERS. The council passed the motion and all proposals have been forwarded to the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR).

B. Dr. Michael Allen, Vice Provost for Research & Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Allen reported that his first few months at MTSU have been busy ones. We are making progress in moving forward a Ph.D. program in Computational Sciences and is working with a sub-group of writers from the mathematics and sciences groups to get to TBR this summer, the degree is being packaged to be self-sustaining; a new Graduate Catalog will be coming out this summer and the College of Graduate Studies and Office of Research will be moving their offices the end of May to the Sam Ingram Building located on Middle Tennessee Blvd., across from the President’s house.

C. Dr. Pamela Knox, Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Knox handed out “draft” copies of the Graduate Council as it presently stands. Not all changes have been made and it is therefore still not readable. CGS and the Provost Office are drafting further “repackaging” of policies that are not in the catalog and need to be. Publications and Graphics still have not sent individual departments their copy to approve but this should be going out the first or second week in May. Dr. Knox noted that with all the issues involved in “readability” it may be fall before the catalog is published. She will, however, keep the council informed of the progress via email and will make sure the Program Coordinators receive a draft, prior to printing, for their feedback.

Dr. Knox further noted that a student handbook template is under construction as well. This is to be used as a guide and reference tool for departments. It will come to the council to input prior to dissemination to the departments.

III. Approval of Minutes – March 29, 2007

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the March 29, 2007 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review

Dr. Amy Staples
Consent calendar attached – Dr. Staples recommended all items for approval. A motion was made to accept the consent calendar as attached. The motion was seconded and carried.

B. Student Affairs and Travel

- No report. Funds have been exhausted.

C. Policies and Procedures

Dr. William Ilsley

- No report.

D. Graduate Program Review

Dr. Jackie Eller

- No report.

E. Catalog Committee

Dr. Philip Phillips, Chair

- Dr. Phillips thanked Dr. Knox for the draft of the catalog and recommended that any feedback regarding revisions and/or changes be emailed to him for compilation and forwarding to Dr. Knox.

V. Old Business

- No report

VI. New Business

- The policy for clarifying undergraduates taking graduate classes needs to be clarified. The policy should be consistent, i.e., who gives the permission, how, when, and by whom is the student notified, etc.
- Amy Staples, William Ilsley, and Saleh Sbenaty agreed to serve on the Suspension & Appeals Committee on May 22, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.
- Each member who will be continuing on the council was asked to bring their schedule for fall 2007 to the meeting on July 26, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the President's Conference Room. Drs. Allen and Knox will graciously provide lunch.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Lynn Parker

Recording Secretary
Graduate Faculty Membership

**Adjunct**
Trudy Peterson / History

**Full – Re-Appointment**
Norma Dunlap / Chemistry
Patrick McCarthy / Psychology
Teresa Davis / Psychology
Marvin Peyton / Educational Leadership
John Sanders / Educational Leadership
Jane Williams / Educational Leadership
Barbara Young / Educational Leadership

**Doctoral Membership – Initial Appointment**
Minsoo Kang / Health & Human Performance

**Doctoral Membership / Re-Appointment**
Rebecca Conard / History
Colby Jubenville / Health & Human Performance

Curriculum Changes

**Psychology**

**Proposed New Courses**

- **PSY 6065** Introduction to School-based Mental Health Services, 3 credit hours, effective summer 2007
- **PSY 6085** Pre-Practicum: Industrial Organizational Psychology, 1 credit hour, effective fall 2007
- **PSY 6365** Organizational Surveys & Employee Attitudes & Motivation, 1 credit hour, effective fall 2007

**Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor Emphasis**

Changes specific to **MA in Clinical Psychology**, effective fall 2007
Changes specific to **Industrial Organizational concentration of Psychology major**, effective fall 2007

**Other**

Modification to opening statements in Graduate Catalog and modifications of GRE statement; a reduction of 3 credit hours for undergraduate preparation, effective fall 2007

Catalog changes to Psychology Major Concentration: Industrial/Organizational; increase program by one credit hour, effective fall 2007

Modification to opening statements in Graduate catalog and modification of GRE statement, effective fall 2007
Change course description for **PSY 6750** and add a co-requisite for **PSY 6760**, effective fall 2007

### Recording Industry

**Proposed New Courses**

- **MRAT 5810**  Topics in Recording Industry, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
- **MRAT 6040**  Digital Audio Studio Seminar, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007

**Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor, Emphasis**

Increase the number of allowable 5000 level courses from 6 hours to 12 hours or 20% of the total required 60 hours for MFA degree in Recording Arts and Technologies, effective fall 2007

### Other

Change in program of study. Number of required hours will not change but the order of classes taken during each of the 3 years of required coursework will change, provided the new course proposal MRAT 6040 and course revision for MRART 6030 are approved. Effective fall 2007.

**Course Number / Title Change**

- **MRAT 6030**  Change title from “MIDI and Digital Audio Seminar” to “MIDI and Musical Synthesis Seminar”, effective fall 2007

### Educational Leadership

**Non-substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor, Emphasis**

- **SPSE 6960/LIBS 6960**  Changes to course topics, activities, and course description, effective fall 2007

### Management & Marketing

**Proposed New Course(s)**

- **MKT 6880**  Sport & Entertainment Marketing, 3 credit hours, effective spring 2008

### Health & Human Performance

**Proposed New Course(s)**

- **HHP 7300**  Current Measurement Issues In Health & Human Performance, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
- **REC 6850**  Cross-Cultural Perspectives in Leisure & Tourism, 3 credit hours, effective summer 2007
- **PHED 6940/7940**  Supervision of Teaching in Physical Education, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007

### Accounting
ACTG 6570     International Financial Reporting & Controls, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007

Computer Information Systems

Course Number / Title Change

INFS 6710     Change title from Systems Analysis to IT Systems Development Project Development, effective fall 2007

Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum of Existing Major, Minor, and Concentrations

Add two specializations to the Masters of Science in Accounting and Information Systems in the information systems concentrations. The proposed specializations are: IT Project Management and IS Audit and Control. The departments of Computer Science, Accounting, and Management & Marketing have been consulted in our attempt to eliminate content overlap and maximize potential synergies. Effective fall 2007.

Proposed New Course(s)

INFS 6500     IT Project Management Planning & Implementation, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
INFS 6510     IT Project Assessment & Control, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
INFS 6520     IT Project Management Case Studies, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
INFS 6300     Information Systems Security Management, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
INFS 6310     Information Systems Assurance Planning & Practices, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007
INFS 6320     Advanced Integrated Security and Assurance, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2007

Political Science

Other

Establish a Master of Arts in International Affairs, effective spring 2008