

## **Graduate Council Minutes May 12, 2005**

The Graduate Council met at 2:00 p.m. in the President's Conference Room. Chair Michael Hein presided.

### **I. Call to Order**

Members present: Dr. Stuart Bernstein, Dr. Jackie Eller, Dr. William Ilesley, Dr. Philip Phillips, Dr. Marc Singer, and Dr. Jeffrey Walck

Ex-officio members present: Abdul S. Rao, Vice Provost for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies; Peter H. Cunningham, Interim Associate Dean College of Graduate Studies

### **II. Announcements**

#### **A. Dr. Michael Hein, Chair**

- No announcements

#### **B. Dr. Abdul Rao**

- Dean Rao informed the council that he is working on a list of medium to high priority programs for investment by the university based on the next five years.
- As the College of Graduate Studies seeks to establish its own "brand identity", Dean Rao unveiled the new logo for the College of Graduate Studies. The new logo was developed with the aid of Publications and Graphics and has been approved for use by President McPhee. In the future this logo will be used in all of the College of Graduate Studies' publications. Programs who would like to use this logo should contact Rick Henegar in the College of Graduate Studies for a copy of the logo.

#### **C. Dr. Peter Cunningham**

- The College of Graduate Studies has been working to add an additional foreign language certification; the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) can be used beginning in the fall 2005 semester. An I.E.L.T.S. score of six will be the minimum score.
- Dr. Cunningham met with representatives from the Payroll Office regarding issues with administrative graduate assistants with regards to withholding tax and accounting for actual hours worked. As a result of this meeting a need was seen for a workshop with appointing authorities of graduate assistants. The workshop will be a

joint venture between the College of Graduate Studies and Human Resources; plans are to have the workshop the last half of the summer before fall appointments.

### **III. Approval of Minutes – April 15, 2005**

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2005 meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

### **IV. Sub-Committee Reports**

#### **A. Graduate Faculty and Program Review Dr. Jackie Eller**

- Consent calendar attached – all items have been recommended for approval with the addition to approve the Licensure Track in Elementary and Special Education previously submitted to the council. A motion to accept the calendar with the addition of Licensure Track was made; the motion was seconded and carried.

#### **B. Student Affairs and Travel Dr. Jeffrey Walck, Chair**

- Dr. Walck reported that Lisa Mitchell in the Graduate Office had recently taken over graduate travel and was currently in the process of re-evaluating the budget. All correspondence is now being done via the internet and email with PDF files which has greatly improved efficiency and timeliness.

#### **C. Policies and Procedures Dr. Ken Blake, Chair**

- No report

### **V. Old Business**

- Previously the Masters of Professional Studies (RODP) was taken off the consent calendar because of several council concerns. These same concerns were shared by other universities as well and as a result RODP addressed the issues and made changes to the proposal (distributed to the council). Dr. Cunningham recommended the council's approval on the revised proposal. The council agreed that they still had concerns about differing aspects of the proposal and after much discussion; the motion was made to *accept the proposal contingent upon the Council's approval of clear statement of purpose as well as a definition of the term*

*strategic professional leadership as they pertain to this degree.*  
The motion was amended to give approval authority to the Faculty and Program Review Sub-committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

## **VI. New Business – May Meeting**

- Dr. Cunningham presented the proposal to establish a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Sciences in the College of Basic and Applied Sciences. This is a 72 hour post baccalaureate degree with three concentrations. If approved, the new program would occur at the same time the D.A. in chemistry is phased out, and those resources merged to the I-Sciences program. Discussion was held regarding concerns about the proposal. The greatest concern being not enough hours taught at the 7000 level; 30 hours at the 6000 level is too much and should be revised to no more than 30% at the 6000 level. Dr. Cunningham noted that many of the courses will be dual-listed 6000/7000. The motion was made *to approve, in principle, the Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Sciences pending approval of college-wide I-Sciences committee and the Graduate Dean.* The motion was seconded and carried.
- Members are needed for the Suspension Appeals Committee meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cope Conference Room. Jeffrey Walck and William Ilsley will serve on the committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Lynn Parker  
Recording Secretary

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**Graduate Council – Consent Calendar  
May 18, 2005**

**Graduate Faculty Membership**

**Full Membership – Initial Appointment**

Carol Nies / Music  
Ellen Garrison / History  
William Robertson / Physics & Astronomy  
William Stewart / Biology

**Full Membership – Re-Appointment**

Oscar A. Diaz-Ortiz / Foreign Languages  
Janet Belsky / Psychology  
Tracey Ring / Elementary & Special Education  
Beverly Burke / Psychology  
Dennis Mullen / Biology  
Soraya Nogueira / Foreign Language  
W. Jeff Clark / Computer Information Systems  
Chong Chen / ETIS  
Stephen Lewis / BMOM  
David Kelly / Psychology  
Paul Fischer / Recording Industry  
Catherine Stogner / Human Sciences  
Patricia Patterson / Chemistry  
Dianne Bartley / HPERs  
Phillip Waldrop / Elementary & Special Education  
Saleh Sbenaty / ETIS  
Victoria Shelar / HPERs  
Ronald Aday / Sociology & Anthropology  
Basavapatna Sridhara / ETIS  
Dellmar Walker / Human Sciences  
Beth Emery / Human Sciences  
D. Lorne McWatters / History

**Associate – Re-Appointment Level 1**

Brenda C. Rambo-Igney / Psychology

**Associate – Initial Appointment Level 2**

John Hill / Recording Industry

# Curriculum Changes

## MS-PS Program

### Changes in Admission to Program (Major)

Change requirement to: A Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score of 900 is expected for consideration for unconditional admission. Miller Analogies Test (MAT) not accepted.

## Economics & Finance

### New Course

**ECON 6570/7570** Industrial Organization and Strategy, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

## Management & Marketing

### New Course

**MGMT 6690** Current Issues in Management, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

## Nursing

### Course Number/Title Change

**NURS 6401** Health Care Informatics and Information – Change title to Informatics and Information Management, change from 2 credit hours to 3 credit hours, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6404** Strategies for Implementation and Evaluation – change title to Evaluation of Health Care Information Systems, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6407** Change title from Health Care Informatics Application 1 to Informatics Applications/Practicum 1, effective summer 2005

**NURS 6409** Change title from Health Care Informatics Application II to Informatics Applications/Practicum II, effective summer 2005

### Inactivation of Course

**NURS 6406** 1 credit hour, effective summer 2005

## Accounting

### New Course

**ACTG 6920** Financial Statement Analysis, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

### Other

Replacement of comprehensive examination with capstone course requirement

## ETIS

### New Course

**ETIS 6650** Embedded Microprocessor Design, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

### Changes in Credit Hours

**ET 5650** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5660** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5670** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5610** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5640** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5230** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005  
**ET 5360** Change from 4 to 3 credit hours, effective summer 2005

## Agribusiness / Agriscience

### Course Number/Title Change

**ABAS 5220** Change title of course from Methods of Teaching Agricultural Mechanics to Methods of Teaching Agriscience and Agriculture Mechanics, effective fall 2005  
**ABAS 5340** Change title of Soil Formation to Soil Formation and Remediation, effective fall 2005  
**ABAS 5430** Change title from Light Horse Production to Horse Production, effective fall 2005

## History

### New Course

- HIST 6545/7545** Seminar: Collection Management for Archives and Museums, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
- HIST 6551/7551** Seminar: American Architectural History, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

## Elementary & Special Education

### Dual Listed Courses

- SPED 4280/5280** Assistive Technology, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

### Other

New option for Curriculum & Instruction majors: Initial Licensure, K-6, effective fall 2005

### New Courses

- ELED 6530** Teaching Social Skills, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
- ELED 6540** Teaching Science, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
- ELED 6550** Teaching Mathematics, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005
- ELED 6560** Assessment in the Classroom, 2 credit hours, effective fall 2005
- READ 6520** Teaching Reading, 3 credit hours, effective fall 2005

## Educational Leadership

### Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum

Education Specialist (Ed.S.) Curriculum and Instruction Specialization

Masters of Education (M.Ed.) Curriculum and Instruction Specialization  
Secondary Education Licensure Path