

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

November 24, 2009

The Graduate Council met at 9:30 a.m. in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the Sam Ingram Building. Vince Smith presided as Chair.

I. Call to Order

Members present:

Clare Bratten, Cosette Collier, Dorothy Craig, Gore Ervin, Clayton Harris, Kevin James, Minsoo Kang, Donald Lester, Vicky MacLean, Jane Marcellus, Bren Martin, Medha Sarkar, Steven Giles, and Sondra Wilson

Ex-Officio members present:

Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Peter Cunningham, Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

II. Announcements

A. Dr. Vince Smith, Chair

Dr. Smith called the meeting to order.

B. Dr. Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Allen reported that the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) did not approve the PhD in Education or the PhD in Psychology. The new master's program proposals included International Affairs, Horse Science, Health & Human Performance, Leisure & Sport Management, and Information Systems.

None of the master's proposals were acted upon by THEC.

Dr. Allen reported that TBR is examining their policies more closely to make sure the policies address current graduate education issues.

Dr. Allen noted it has been our understanding that we could not use agents for recruiting. As per TBR, we can now use agents to recruit in China and India.

C. Dr. Peter Cunningham, Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Cunningham reported that THEC approved the use of e-tuition rates that are separate from in-state or out-of-state fees and reflect the cost of online courses.

Dr. Cunningham suggested that some business research be done to find out the economic impact that out-of-state students and international students have on the area. With such research, cost benefits can be assessed and presented to TBR.

Dr. Cunningham reported that MTSU would benefit from offering some of our programs out-of-state. Educational Leadership could possibly be offering the M.Ed. at the University of Alabama in Huntsville in the near future. From Aerospace, we may soon be able to offer Aviation Safety and Security in Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Dr. Cunningham announced that in an effort to cut down on paper usage, CGS will now only need one copy of the graduate faculty membership applications and curriculum changes. The College of Graduate Studies will place the materials on DocuShare for the Faculty and Curriculum Review Committee to access.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting—October 27, 2009

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the October 27, 2009 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review

Dr. Kevin James, Chair

- Consent calendar attached
- *A motion was made to accept the consent calendar. The motion was seconded and carried.*

B. Student Affairs and Travel

Dr. Clare Bratten, Chair

- C.** Dr. Bratten reported that the committee met with Dr. Watson Harris to discuss space options for a graduate student center. Dr. Harris explained that evidence of a demand for such a space would be needed. She also advised that initially it would be best to have an informally designated space for graduate students to congregate. There is closed-off space on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the library. One of those spaces may be an option. Dr. Bratten will put a proposal in writing stating a desire to use a portion of the library for graduate students to congregate. This space would also have a bulletin board

with pertinent information for graduate students. Once the written proposal is completed, Dr. Allen agreed to present the proposal to Dean Donald Craig. In the meantime, members of the graduate council were asked to poll their graduate students to find out if they are interested in having such a space.

D. Policies and Procedures

Dr. Bren Martin, Chair

- No report

E. Graduate Program Review

Dr. Dorothy Craig, Chair

- Dr. Craig stated that the committee has recommended Dr. Warren Burggren from the University of North Texas for the M.S in Biology graduate program review and Dr. David Chapman from the University of Utah for the M.S. in Professional Science graduate program review.
- *A motion was made to accept the selected external reviewers. The motion was seconded and passed.*

F. Catalog Committee

Dr. Gore Ervin, Chair

- No report

V. Old Business

None

VI. New Business

- Dr. Smith asked for three volunteers for the next Graduate Academic Suspension Appeals Committee. The appeals will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 in the garden level conference room of the Ingram building. Drs. Bren Martin, Clare Bratten, and Vince Smith volunteered.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Hawkins, Recording Secretary

Graduate Council – Consent Calendar

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Graduate Faculty Membership

ASSOCIATE

Thomas J. Jurkanin / Criminal Justice Administration
William L. Shulman / Criminal Justice Administration

FULL – INITIAL APPOINTMENT

Nuria Novella / Foreign Languages and Literature
Dennis D. Powell / Criminal Justice Administration

DOCTORAL – INITIAL

Anatoliy Volkov / Chemistry

DOCTORAL – REAPPOINTMENT

Allen E. Hibbard / English

Curriculum Changes

Women's Studies

Other-Program Name Change

Change the program name from Women's Studies Program to Women's and Gender Studies Program, effective Spring 2010

Engineering Technology

Changes in Credit Hours

EST 5770 – Pollution Control Technology: Change to 3 credit hours and 3 contact hours, effective Spring 2010

Mass Communication

Proposed New Course(s)

MC 6260 – Health Care Communication, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Other

Revision to the Media Management Track: effective Fall 2010

1. Management core courses will offer a choice of either MC 6250 Media Organizations or MC 6260 Health Care Communication
2. Add MC 6430 Special Topics in Communication to the list of required non-management electives

Foreign Languages and Literature

Course Number/Title Change

Change the title of **FREN 5990** Techniques in Translation to **French for Reading Knowledge,** 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2010

Proposed New Course(s)

SPAN 5065 – Studies in Hispanic Popular Culture, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Dyslexic Studies

Proposed New Course(s)

LITS 7140 – Research, Design and Methodology in Literacy, 3 credit hours, effective Summer 2010

Psychology

Change in Admission to Program (Major)

To be effective Spring 2010

Delete the following: For admission to the Quantitative Psychology concentration, a GRE Quantitative of 600 is expected. Individuals with a Quantitative score below 600 may be considered for conditional admission into the Quantitative Psychology concentration.

Course Number/Title Change(s)

Change **PSY 6280 Psychological Statistics: Regression** to **PSY 6280/7280**, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Change **PSY 6290 Psychological Statistics: Anova** to **PSY 6290/7290**, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Change **PSY 6460 Factor Analysis and Related Methods** to **PSY 6460/7460**, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Change **PSY 6550 Structural Equation Modeling** to **PSY 6550/7550**, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Human Sciences

Proposed New Course(s)

NFS 6100 – Advanced Studies in Food and Culture in the United States, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010

Health and Human Performance

Inactivation of Course(s)

All to be effective Spring 2010

PHED 6510	Sport Management
PHED 6520	Sport Event Planning, Promotion, and Fundraising
PHED 6630	Philosophy and Principles of Human Performance
PHED 6050	Facilities and Equipment for Physical Education and Sport
PHED 6500	Legal Issues and Risk Management in PE, Sport and Leisure Services
REC 6500	Legal Issues and Risk Management in PE, Sport and Leisure Services
REC 6510	Financial Management and Marketing of Leisure Services
REC 6530	Historical and Philosophical Principles in Recreation and Leisure Services
REC 6520	Management Practices in Recreation and Leisure
REC 6570	Issues, Trends, and Research in Recreation
REC 6550	Outdoor Environmental Education
REC 6670	Behavioral Concepts in Recreation and Leisure Services
REC 6640	Thesis Research
REC 6880	Internship/Special Projects
REC 6910	Special Problems

Proposed New Course(s)

HLTH 5700 – Coordinated School Health, 3 credit hours, effective Spring 2010