

MINUTES OF GRADUATE COUNCIL
November 19, 2009
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Present: SK Airee, Georgina Awipi, Tim Burcham, Kevin Hammond, Robert Hartshorn, Lisa LeBleu, Paula Moore, Mary Lee Hall for Sandy Murray, Victoria Seng for Jerald Ogg, Victoria Seng, Philip Smartt, Laura Leahy, Janet Wilbert, Jenna Wright and Guests Sandra Baker, Tom Eskew, Staci Fuqua, Ernest Moser

Absent: Daniel Nappo

Chair Philip Smartt called the meeting to order at 3 pm. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Graduate faculty ad hoc committee—Hartshorn reported the committee (Hartshorn, Hammond, Nappo) has met but is not yet ready to submit a report. Smartt reported that he met with the Deans' Council and had the following understandings: current system for graduate faculty application review is sound; faculty retains control; there is accountability for deans; it is reasonable for Graduate Council (GC) to expect applications in a timely manner; GC is encouraged to table applications and ask for clarification when questions arise; because the system is working, the GC should not feel they are a rubber stamp; Special category is of concern and GC has every right to table and ask for clarification.

Burcham suggested the graduate faculty application be revised to replace the wording "do/do not support" with "Your signature denotes your support of this application."

Motion carried to establish a group to look at the Faculty Handbook, Automatic Initial Associate and Special membership categories, and report to GC (by the end of this academic year) any discrepancies that need evaluation. The group will consist of Tim Burcham—chair, Kevin Hammond, Robert Hartshorn, Lisa LeBleu, and Sandy Murray.

NEW BUSINESS

STUDENT REQUESTS

1. Whitney Angel—request to waive requirement and allow three (3) hours beyond the maximum six (6) hours of workshop credit toward degree. Motion carried.

CURRICULAR REQUESTS

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

Agriculture, Geosciences, and Natural Resources

Motions to approve

1. Revision of reqts for MSANR
2. Revision of title and course desc for AGRI 791 Master's Research Project (1-3)
3. Revision of title and course desc for NRM 791 Master's Research Project (1-3)

Motions carried.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND GLOBAL AFFAIRS

Motions to approve

1. Revision of MBA admission reqts—essay reqt
2. Revision of MBA admission reqts—Conditional status NOTE: friendly amendment 1) delete *For admission to the MBA program, consideration is given to* and replace with *The committee review may include* and 2) delete *therefore, there is no automatic cut-off for either grade point averages or GMAT scores.*
3. Revision of MBA admission reqts—writing course required when GMAT writing score less than 3.5

Motions carried.

International Education

Motion to approve

1. Revision of graduate admission reqts NOTE: friendly amendment 1) in item 2 revise wording to *official school or university transcript(s) with certified translations if the records are in a language other than English. Transcripts must include descriptive course titles, credit hours for each subject and grades received to earn credit* and 2) item 4 will begin *Official minimum TOEFL score of 525 (UT Martin's institutional paper test only) or IBT of 71 (internet based) is required*

Motion carried.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Behavioral Sciences

Motion to approve

1. Revision of number for PSY 555 Abnormal Child Psychology (3)

Motion carried.

Educational Studies

Motions to approve

1. Revision of admission reqts for Counseling—campus residency and teaching experience
2. Revision of reqts for criminal background check
3. Revision of reqts for Initial Licensure K-12
4. Revision of title for EDFN 720 Multicultural Issues in Education and Counseling (3)
5. Revision of credit hrs for ELED 795 Student Teaching Grades K-6 (3)
6. Revision of credit hrs for SEDU 795 Student Teaching Grades 7-12 (3)
7. Addition of SPED 631 Behavior Management for the Young Child (3)
8. Revision of number for SPED 670 Integrating Students with Exceptionalities in Regular Education (3)

Motions carried.

Health & Human Performance

Motions to approve

1. Revision of course desc for EXSC 630 Exercise Physiology (3)
2. Revision of number for HLTH 553 Human Sexuality (3)
3. Revision of number for HPER 635 Nutrition for Health, Fitness and Sport (3)
4. Addition of HPER 705 Applied Scientific Principles of Human Performance (3)
5. Addition of HPER 715 Leadership in Health and Human Performance (3)
6. Revision of course desc for SPMG 505 Introduction to Sport Mgt and Administration (3)
7. Revision of course desc for SPMG 606 Advanced Sport Management and Administration (3)
8. Revision of course desc for SPMG 613 Event and Facility Planning (3)

Motions carried.

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

English and Modern Foreign Languages

Motion to approve

1. Revision of title for ENGL 696 Seminar [title TBA] in British Literature (3)
2. Addition of ENGL 697 Seminar [title TBA] in American Literature (3)
3. Addition of ENGL 698 Seminar [title TBA] in Rhetoric and Writing (3)

Motion carried.

Visual and Theatre Arts

Motion to approve

1. Deletion of DNED 590 Dance Pedagogy (3)

Motion carried.

GRADUATE FACULTY APPLICATIONS

Graduate faculty status was granted as follows:

Full—Parker Cashdollar, Chris Caldwell, Becky Cox, Brian Donavant, Nell Gullett, Robert Hearn,
Ronald Kilgore, Stephanie Kolitsch, Leslie LaChance, Desiree McCullough, Paula Moore,
Philip Young

Associate—Mickey Dunlap, Steve Elliott, Curtis Kunkel, Brian Wagner (contingent on all initials on
Review Checksheet)

Special—Gwendolyn Tomlin, Cherry Watts

Automatic associate status— Todd Albert, John Cochran, Michael Spaulding

OTHER

1. Arant reported statistics on usage of new online catalog.
2. To date, 138 new graduate applications have been received for Spring 10.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 pm.


Victoria S. Seng, Executive Secretary

11-20-09
Date