

School of Graduate Studies

Graduate Council Minutes

March 22, 2018

Dempster Hall – Room 102

Members: Present: McAllister, presiding; Aguinaga, Bawaneh, Belling, Faber, Garner, Gause, Glackin, Gray, Hatcher, Grueneberg, McFerron, Schmidt, and Sides

Guests: Diana Rogers-Adkinson, Frank Barrios, Dan Daly, Melissa Odegard-Koester, Tammy Randolph, and Dana Schwieger

1. **Minutes:** Motion by Gause, second by Glackin to approve the distributed minutes from the February 22, 2018, Graduate Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

Items were discussed out of agenda order to accommodate guests' schedules.

2. **Action Items:**

- a. **College of Liberal Arts
(Course Revision)**

PY564 Research & Practice in I-O and Social Psychology – Revision

Motion by Glackin, second by Aguinaga to approve the revision to PY564. Odegard-Koester explained the changes. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. **College of Science, Technology, and Agriculture
(New Course Additions)**

MA510 Mathematical Foundations – New

MA530 Statistical Learning – New

MA675 Multivariate Methods – New

Motion by Bawaneh, second by Gause to consider and approve the three new course additions for Mathematics as a block. Motion carried. Daly explained the course details and their relevance to the Mathematics program. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. **Academic Reorganization Proposal Response**

Harrison College of Business Proposal

Schwieger asserted there would be no negative impact to graduate business programs. Discussion followed. No additional recommendations to be made by Graduate Council in memo to the Provost.

Comprehensive Proposal

McAllister noted the potential impact to other graduate program options in Human Environmental Studies with the move of the Dietetics program. Discussion followed with no real objection and the hope that potential exists to build stronger programs within the new academic departments. Randolph stated it might be best to split

Physics and Engineering Physics to have all engineering programs in the same academic department. Discussion followed regarding ease of student recruitment, curriculum development, and grouping of all ABET accredited programs. Lengthy discussion followed regarding the move of Psychology from Liberal Arts and being combined with Counseling. Council recommends additional discussion and review prior to implementation. Discussion followed regarding workload concerns in various departments and how this may impact accreditation and other administratively intense processes. Consideration of long term goals, growth, and expansion of graduate programs might be a concern without adequate support. The discussed recommendations will be included in the Graduate Council memo to the Provost.

3. Reports:

a. Dean's Report: Dr. McAllister explained that effective fall 2018, GR609 is no longer required enrollment for every graduate student. The course will still be offered as continuous enrollment for affected students.

b. Curriculum Subcommittee: No report

c. Academic Standards Subcommittee: No report

d. Thesis Review Subcommittee: No report

4. Informational Items:

a. College of Health and Human Services

Master of Science: Nutrition and Exercise Science – Simple Revision

b. College of Science, Technology, and Agriculture

CS500 Fundamentals of Programming – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

CS503 Fundamentals of Computing – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

CS506 Distributed Cloud Computing – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

CS581 Advanced Network Programming – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

CS609 Advanced Programming Languages – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

CS631 Advanced Software Engineering – Temporary Course Addition (Fall 2018)

Dr. McAllister briefly reviewed the presented informational items.

5. Recommendation for Graduate Faculty Status

The following individuals were approved for Graduate Faculty Status:

1. Jill Young	Accounting	Regular
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Meeting adjourned.

Next Graduate Council Meeting:

Thursday, April 26, 2018

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Dempster Hall - Room 102
