

Graduate Council Committee

Wednesday, April 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Via Microsoft Teams @ 12:00 pm

Members Present:

Wall College of Business – Michael Latta, Olajumoke Awe
Spadoni College of Education –Richard Costner, Austin Hitt
Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts –Joe Oestreich, Phillip Whalen
College of Science –Scott Parker, Till Hanebuth (substitute for Erin Hackett)
Dean of the College of Graduate Studies & Research – Rob Young
Faculty Senate – Roi Gurka
Registrar’s Office –Stacy Wyeth
Library Services – Eric Resnis

Absent:

Guests:

Rich Viso	Samantha Sullivan
Christian Smith	Prashant Sansgiry
David Yancey	Colleen McGlone
Deborah Breede	Dan Lawless
Jean French	Shari Orisich

I. Call to Order and approval of minutes

Approval of the March 4, 2020 minutes was moved by Phillip Whalen and seconded by Michael Latta. The minutes were approved.

II. Chair Report:

- A. Masters Mondays will start next Monday, April 13 from 10am-3pm. This will be an online version for the next few Mondays. Thanks to Kristin Olsen and everyone that has helped put this together.
- B. All of our Graduate Assistants are still working. Departments have been able to keep them working as normal with only a few going down to 10 hours a week but most still at 20.
- C. Several program proposals that were passed recently were supposed to be passed at the April CHE meeting but CHE has deferred all new proposals to an undefined later meeting. One of these was the new Masters in Education program. Currently, CHE is only discussing responses to the COVID-19 situation in their meetings.
- D. The Office of Graduate Studies has made adjustments to the admissions process in response to closed or altered testing sites and procedures for standardized tests.

With permission of the graduate programs, we are waiving all standardized test requirements for graduate applications for the Summer and Fall 2020 semesters. In addition, with the help of the Office of Global Engagement, we are now accepting Duolingo as an alternative test to the TOEFL for international students.

III. Consent Agenda - Form A: Proposal(s) for Revisions to a Graduate Course - Approved

IV. Old Business:

Approval of the February 05, 2020 minutes as amended was moved by Michael Latta and seconded by Joe Oestreich. The minutes were approved.

V. New Business:

A. Form B: Proposal(s) for Changes in a Graduate Program

College of Science

Department of Computing Sciences

1. ID# 86 Santee Cooper M.S. in IST - Removing Analytics and changing two required courses - Passed

College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Department of Communication, Media & Culture

2. ID# 87 MA in Communication (Leadership) – Removing COMM 599 – Passed
3. ID# 88 MA in Communication (Advocacy) – Removing COMM 599 – Passed
4. ID# 89 MA in Communication (Advocacy) – Adding policy on probation and suspension - Passed
5. ID# 95 MA in Communication (Leadership) – Adding policy on probation and suspension - Passed

Department of History

6. ID #90 MALS – Adding policy on probation and suspension - Passed

Department of Music

7. ID# 91 – MA in Music Technology – Adding policy on probation and suspension - Passed

Department of English

8. ID #92 – MA in Writing – Adding policy on probation and suspension - Passed

College of Education

Department of Literacy and Special Education

9. ID# 84 – Special Education – creation of four new titles for EDSP 697 – Passed

B. Catalog Proposal: Accelerated Graduate Degree Program

After brief discussion, a motion was made by Phillip Whalen and seconded by Michael Latta to approve the Accelerated Graduate Degree program. The motion passed unanimously.

After completing all business, the meeting was adjourned.