Graduate Council Meeting Minutes  
Coastal Carolina University  
May 3, 2017

Members Present: Spadoni College of Education – Krystal Curry, Suzanne Horn; Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts – Amanda Brian, Tripti Pillai, Christian Smith, Brian Nance; Wall College of Business Administration – Arlise McKinney, Janice Black, Greg Krippel; College of Science – Julianna Harding, John Hutchens. Colleen McGlone, Philip Whalen; Registrar – Dan Lawless; Director of Graduate Studies – James Luken; Faculty Senate – Richard Viso; Kimbel Library – Judith Nagata

Absent: Spadoni College of Education – Austin Hitt, Jeremy Dickerson; Wall College of Business – John Mortimer; Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts – Joe Oestreich, Brian Nance

Special Guest: John Beard, Associate Provost for Assessment and Accreditation

The meeting was called to order by Dr. James Luken at 11:45 a.m. in the Board Room (#164), College of Humanities & Fine Arts

John Beard spoke to council regarding new program approvals, particularly with CHE. Colleges are doing a great job in the development of new programs but not so good in other areas such as program modifications and notifications. Any program change of more than 12 hours in required courses needs to be approved through the proper channels. Notifications are only to let CHE know so they can update their records. A new person will be coming on board in Fall 2017 as Dr. Beard will be retiring.

Old Business:
A. Approval of April 5, 2017 Graduate Council Minutes
Minutes were approved by Graduate Council

New Business
A. College of Science
a. Proposal for Change in Graduate Course
Change Prereqs of CSCI 575 from (grade of C or better in CSCI 203 or 220)

Change Prereq to:
(Admission to MS IST graduate program or grade of C or better in CSCI 203 or 220)

Change approved by Graduate Council

B. Wall College of Business
a. Proposal for Change in Electives for MBA Program
Change Electives from 6 credits to 9 credits as follows:
The 9 elective credits must come from the approved graduate courses: CBAD or MBA courses at the 600 level or above, ACCT 534 (=CSCI 534), ACCT 631, ACCT 638, ACCT 657, IST 660, IST 670, IST 678, SPT 510, SPT 515, SPT 530, SPT 550, and SPT 565. Other courses may be approved as determined by the College of Business Graduate Director.

b. Proposal for Change in Admission Requirements for MBA Program
Addition of following items to present MBA admission Requirements
• Adding a statement of purpose to address the applicant’s goals pursuing an MBA (500 word limit)
• Adding minimum GPA - must have a minimum 3.0 GPA overall from completed
undergraduate and graduate coursework.

- Adding relevant Professional Experience for GMAT waiver

c. **Proposal for Addition of Concentration/Track to MBA Program**
   This will provide students with the option to obtain a Healthcare concentration to better enable them to enter a growing field for employment and provide students already working in the healthcare industry possible job advancement.

   Healthcare Administration Track will require 9 credit hours.
   Required Courses:
   MBA 670 The US Healthcare System
   MBA 674 Healthcare Financial Decision-Making

   Electives: (3 hours) Choose one of the following:
   MBA 671 Healthcare Strategy
   MBA 672 Healthcare Quality Management
   MBA 673 Healthcare Management Information Systems

d. **Proposal for New Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration**
   The Healthcare Administration Certificate program provides students with the opportunity to explore the areas specific to the healthcare industry and the challenges it faces in light of regulatory changes and client needs. The course requirements provide an understanding of the healthcare system in the United States and associated concern for security, privacy protections, quality and cost controls, as well overall viability. This certificate program provides an in-depth level of expertise that would allow students to prepare for careers in healthcare administration.

   Required Graduate Degree Credit Hours (12 Graduate Credit Hours)
   Required courses (6 credit hours):
   MBA 670: The US Healthcare System
   MBA 674: Healthcare Financial Decision-Making

   Elective courses (6 hours): Choose two of the following:
   MBA 671: Healthcare Strategy
   MBA 672: Healthcare Quality Management
   MBA 673: Information Systems in Healthcare

e. **Proposal for New Graduate Courses for Healthcare Concentration/Track and Healthcare Administration Graduate Certificate**
   MBA 670 The US Healthcare System
   MBA 671 Healthcare Strategic Management
   MBA 672 Healthcare Quality Management
   MBA 673 Information Systems in Healthcare
   MBA 674 Healthcare Financial Decision Making

   All MBA program changes, New Healthcare Concentration/Track, new Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration and new courses approved by Graduate Council

C. **OPEN**

Meeting adjourned 1:15 p.m.