

GRADUATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – December 2, 2010

Present: Nolan Argyle, Frank Barnas, Melissa Benton, Charmaine Caldwell, Dianne Dees, Nathan Elliott, Janet Foster, Karla Hull (presiding), Lyle Indergaard, Hanae Kanno (for Mike Sanger), Wallace Koehler, George Langford, Jim Loughry, Ellice Martin, Reynaldo Martinez, Mel Schnake, Ruth Stonestreet, Nancy Swanson. Guests: Carl Cates, Don Leech, Rusty McClung, Meg Moore, Rebecca Waters, Samantha Walls, Teresa Williams, and Ellen Wiley.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Hull at 2:00 PM.

Minutes from October's meeting were approved.

Curriculum Change – M Communication Arts: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Carl Cates explained that changes were made to the curriculum after discussion with graduate students in the program. They wanted speech communication and mass media cross-over courses and greater flexibility for students. The proposal was approved.

Revised Course – ENGL 8800: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Nathan Elliott reported that the change would allow more emphasis for graduate students teaching college composition and give them prep time before actually teaching the comp courses. This would be a full 3-credit course. The proposal was approved.

New Courses – PADM 7670/9670: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Nolan Argyle said that the change would allow more emphasis on data collection and analysis; dual listing would offer an additional elective level course for both MPA and DPA students. The proposal was approved with one suggested change.

New Program – GOML MA in English: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Mark Smith explained that this GOML program would be geared toward language arts teachers. They would be able to obtain an English Language and Literature degree on line. Students outside the major can take courses as non-degree seeking students. Applicants will not be required to be teachers to apply. The courses also fit the New Certification rules passed by PCS as in field graduate courses. A vote of support for the program was given by the committee.

Curriculum Changes - EDD in ACED, C&I, and Leadership: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Ellen Wiley mentioned that the changes were similar for all three disciplines – the addition of EDUC 9000 (provides an interdisciplinary selection of topics) and the addition of RSCH 9900 plus advanced quantitative and qualitative courses will aid in continued research and dissertation completion. Proposals were approved.

Revised Catalog Copies – EDD in C&I and Leadership: Motion was made to approve; seconded.

The Letter of Support requirements for EDD applicants in these disciplines are being removed since they are no longer appropriate for the applicant pool. Proposals were approved.

Revised Course – RSCH 9860: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Ellen Wiley said that the new description and title more accurately represent the course content. The proposal was approved.

New Courses – RSCH 9830, 9850 : Motion was made to approve; seconded. The courses will help students better prepare for continued research and dissertation completion. The proposals were approved.

New Courses – EDUC 9000, 9900, RSCH 9900, LEAD 9900 : Motion was made to approve; seconded. The courses will provide an interdisciplinary selection of topics that will serve to address the needs and issues of diverse candidates. The proposals were approved.

New Course – CIED 9700: Motion was made to approve; seconded. Ellen Wiley reported that this course is intended for educators that have a need and interest in finding ways to better educate their increasing numbers of minority children, particularly African American children. The proposal was approved.

Other Business

1. Graduation: December 10 at 6:00 pm in the PE Complex.
2. Graduate Student Association Meeting was held on November 29. About 25 students attended. The group signed a petition to apply for organization status with the Student Government Association.
3. Misty Lamb was introduced – she will be handling admissions for several programs and graduate assistantships.
4. Next meeting – January 27 (catalog changes deadline may be February 1).

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.

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