

Graduate Council Meeting

November Agenda - Zoom

December 2, 2023

1:00 pm

Graduate Council Chair: Michelle Conceison

I. Call to order – Michelle Conceison 1:03pm

Members Present: Michelle Conceison, Carol Nies, Pam Morris, Alyson Lischka, Dan Morrell, Lisa Pruitt, Barbara Lancaster, Frank Lambert, Kevin Krahenbuhl, Tatum Hochstetler, Sally Ann Cruikshank, Vickie Harden, Melodie Phillips, Don Roy, Donnie Walker

Members Absent: Joan McRae, Jeremy Winters, Anatoliy Volkov, Kim Ward, Logan McVey

II. Approval of Previous Minutes

III. Committee Reports

A. Curriculum Changes– Dr. Pam Morris

Motion was made to approve the proposals. The motion was seconded and approved.

B. Graduate Faculty Status – Dr. Dan Morrell

Motion was made to approve the applications. The motion was seconded and approved.

C. Program Review-Dr. Vickie Harden

Motion was made to approve the program review recommendations. The motion was seconded and approved.

IV. New Business- Michelle Concesion has been promoted to Chair for Recording Industry, therefore, can no longer serve as Chair of Grad Council. Vice president, Sally Ann Cruikshank, was first in line of succession to Chair, which she accepted. Grad Council agreed to vote on a new Vice Chair in January.

V. Motion to Adjourn- Michelle Conceison 1:16pm

MINUTES
2022-2023 Graduate Council Subcommittee
November 17, 2023
VIA ZOOM - 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: Pam Morris 10:00am
Present: Pam Morris, Lisa Pruitt, Kevin Krahenbuhl, Kim Ward, Michelle Conceison
Absent: n/a
Visitors Present: William Levine, Mitzi Brandon, Paula Calahan, Amy Harris, Susan Smith, Tyler Henson, Audrey Scarlata, Tim Greer, Jeremy Winters, Charles Chusuei, Allison Martenson, Chris Herlihy, Rachel Leander, Don Belcher
Previously Tabled Proposals n/a

New Business

Proposals

Proposal	Effective Date	Proposed Action	Detailed Explanation	Reference #
College of Basic & Applied Sciences				
Agriculture				
HORS - 6580 - Graduate Equine Evaluation and Judging	Spring 2024	New Course	Prerequisite: Permission of department. Methodologies of evaluating equine conformation and performance. Philosophy, ethics, contracts, and procedures for judging breed and discipline associations and coaching teams.	31
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Biology				
BIOL - 5620, 6211, 6700, 6701, 7810	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	4
Discussion: n/a				

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Chemistry

CHEM - 7200, 7210, 7220, 7420, 7510, 7640 ,7810, 7820, 7910	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	5
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

PSCI - 5030, 6800, 7800	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	48
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Chemistry, M.S. (PLA Credit)	Summer 2024	Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Proposing to begin using PLA, with the eventual goal of having several classes as options, beginning with Intermediate Organic (CHEM 6100) as an initial test for how to run this efficiently and how large the demand will be	8
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Chemistry, M.S. (Removing GRE)	Summer 2024	Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Removing the GRE score requirement will make the MS program in Chemistry more accessible to all students by removing a requirement that costs money and time and does not provide meaningful admission information that we cannot obtain via letters of recommendation and transcripts.	9
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Mathematical Sciences

MATH - 5250 - Introduction to Analysis I	Summer 2024	New Course	Prerequisites: Students must pass MATH 3110 and MATH 3460 with a grade of C- or better to enroll in this course. Theoretical development of limits, continuity, differentiation, and integration in one dimension.	42
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
MATH - 5251 - Introduction to Analysis II	Summer 2024	Course title change Course number change Description updated	Infinite series; Rigorous treatment of limits, continuity, differentiation, and integration in n-dimensional Euclidean space; introduction to metric spaces.	43
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
MATH - 6200 - Real Analysis I	Summer 2024	Course title change Description updated	Prerequisite: MATH 4251/5251 or equivalent. Introduction to measure theory, Lebesgue measure, and Lebesgue integration.	44
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
MATH - 6250 - Real Analysis II	Summer 2024	Course title change Description updated	Prerequisite: MATH 6200. Hilbert and Banach spaces, L_p spaces, and differentiation.	45
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Physics and Astronomy

PHYS - 7400 - Computational Physics I	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	This course has not been offered in long time.	47
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Physician Assistant Studies, M.S.	Summer 2024	Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Updating the Academic Performance and Progression Policy	53
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Criminal Justice Administration

CJA - 6100 - Principles of Emergency Management	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	6
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CJA - 6300 - Innovations in Law Enforcement	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation		7
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Health and Human Performance

EXSC - 6890 - Seminar in Exercise Science	Summer 2024	Course Change Prerequisite Change	The content change addresses the skill development needs of EXSC and HLTH graduate students that are transferable across academia and industry professions. It also supports their success in discipline-specific coursework and performance in thesis/dissertation proposals and defenses.	26
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

HLTH - 5280, 5340, 6000, 6010, 6020, 6930, 6950	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	30
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

LSM - 5140 - Wine Tourism Summer 2024 Course Discontinuation This course has not been offered in long time. **38**

LSM - 5340, 5480, 5500, 5510, 5520, 5965, 6020, 6520, 6670, 6740, 7020, 7670 Summer 2024 Course Discontinuation These courses have not been offered in long time. **39**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

LSM - 7740 Summer 2024 Course Discontinuation This course has not been offered in long time. **40**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

PHED - 5340, 5600, 5601, 5910, 6940 Summer 2024 Course Discontinuation These courses have not been offered in long time. **46**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

SAFE - 5320 - Principles of Accident Control Summer 2024 Course Discontinuation This course has not been offered in long time. **55**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Human Performance, Exercise Physiology Concentration, PhD Summer 2024 New Concentration Raise the specialization to a concentration. This will allow the graduates to better market and document the distinct academic focus undertaken. **33**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Human Performance, Health Concentration, PhD Summer 2024 New Concentration Raise the specialization to a concentration. This will allow the graduates to better market and document the distinct academic focus undertaken. **34**

Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Human Performance, Leisure and Sport Management, PhD	Summer 2024	New Concentration	Raise the specialization to a concentration. This will allow the graduates to better market and document the distinct academic focus undertaken.	35
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Human Performance, Physical Education Concentration, PhD	Summer 2024	New Concentration	Raise the specialization to a concentration. This will allow the graduates to better market and document the distinct academic focus undertaken.	36
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Public Health, M.P.H.	Summer 2024	Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Clarify the deadlines for program applications for both domestic and international prospective students.	54
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Psychology

PSY - 5120 - Psychology of Criminal Behavior	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	The course has not been offered in over 5 years.	49
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

PSY - 5130, 5150, 5220, 5320, 5390, 5460, 5650, 5660, 6050, 6102, 6170, 6180	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	50
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

PSY - 5230 - Abnormal Psychology	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	This course has not been offered in over 10 years.	51
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

PSY - 6130, 6310, 6410, 6585, 6645, 6655, 6820, 6950, 6960	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	52
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

College of Business

Accounting

ACTG - 6580, 6910, 6920	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	1
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Accounting, M.Acc	Summer 2024	Amend instructional delivery mode	Implemented all five online core courses (15 hours) and can offer over 45 hours of online courses to fulfill the required 15 hours of remaining electives. Some of these courses are asynchronous and some are synchronous or remote synchronous offerings. Beginning with the 2024 catalog, we can offer a fully remote program option.	2
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Information Systems and Analytics

INFS - 6703 - IT Project Management for Citizen Developers	Spring 2024	New Course	Applies standard project management frameworks, practices, and tools to enable citizen developers as change agents in organizations to propose and lead innovative technology projects solving business problems without coding. Prep material for the Project Management Institute's (PMI) Citizen Developer Micro-Credential included.	37
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Management

Health Care Management Certificate	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	Add the following courses to the electives. These two electives were approved and were to go into effect in summer 2022. BLAW 6500 Legal Aspects of Healthcare MGMT 6250 Health Care Resource Management	32
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

College of Education

COE Graduate

Assessment, Learning, and Student Success: Higher Education Concentration, Ed.D	Summer 2024	Amend instructional delivery mode	The ALSS EdD Program has two concentrations. The newer concentration (Higher Education) has moved to offer coursework nearly entirely online and we want to make it fully online and notify THEC of that change.	3
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

Educational Leadership

ESL - 6020 - Literacy and Content Instruction for English Learners	Summer 2024	Course Change/Prefix	Data gathered for course improvement indicated that changing the prefix from SPSE to ESL would provide clarification for students when enrolling, transcripts, and employers.	22
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

ESL - 6800 - Curriculum Design and Instruction for Els	Summer 2024	Course Change/Prefix	Data gathered for course improvement indicated that changing the prefix from SPSE to ESL would provide clarification for students when enrolling, transcripts, and employers.	23
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

ESL - 6820 - Second Language Acquisition: Language, Culture, Theory, Practice	Summer 2024	Course Change/Prefix	Data gathered for course improvement indicated that changing the prefix from SPSE to ESL would provide clarification for students when enrolling, transcripts, and employers.	24
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Discussion: n/a

Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.

ESL - 6830 - Assessment and Evaluation of English Language Learners	Summer 2024	Course Change/Prefix	Data gathered for course improvement indicated that changing the prefix from SPSE to ESL would provide clarification for students when enrolling, transcripts, and employers.	25
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
College and University Teaching (Certificate)	Summer 2024	Termination of an academic program or concentration	There are no students enrolled in this program, which indicates the relevancy and need to offer it.	10
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Curriculum and Instruction, Culture, Cognition and the Learning Process Concentration, Ed.S.	Summer 2024	New Concentration	Raise specialization to concentration in order to clearly delineate the program from other Curriculum and Instruction options	11
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Curriculum and Instruction, English as a Second Language Concentration, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Remove Comprehensive Exam requirement and replace with field-based project within program coursework.	13
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Curriculum and Instruction, English as a Second Language Concentration, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	Remove SPSE 6712: Fieldwork & Professional Collaboration in ESL Classrooms (3.0) from program coursework. Add DTL 6020: Digital Citizenship: Literacy & Content Instruction (3.0)	14
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Curriculum and Instruction, English as a Second Language Concentration, M.Ed. (non degree / licensure only)	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	The existing Add On Endorsement is 12 hours. The proposed change is to decrease the hours from 12 to 9. This requires removing SPSE 6712 / Fieldwork and Professional Collaboration in ESL classrooms. Remaining coursework: SPSE 6820, SPSE 6830, YOED 6020	15
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Curriculum and Instruction, Secondary Education Licensure Path Concentration, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	New Concentration	Raise specialization to concentration	18
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Library Science, M.L.S. (Credit Hour Change)	Summer 2024	Change in the number of hours of an existing academic program	The MLS degree is 36 credit hours. The MLS degree plus initial teaching licensure, for which this program change form has been created, is 39 credit hours. Proposing making the MLS plus initial teaching licensure a 42 credit hour program.	41
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Elementary and Special Education

Curriculum and Instruction, Elementary Initial Licensure Concentration, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	New Program	Raise specialization to concentration in order to clearly delineate the program from other Curriculum and Instruction options	12
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Curriculum and Instruction, Initial Licensure Specialization, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	Delete SPED 6800 Exceptional Children & Youth and replace with ELED 6630 Digital Learning.	16
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Curriculum and Instruction, Nonlicensure Specialization, M.Ed.	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	Delete ELED 6580 Effective Management for the Elementary Education Class and replace with ELED 6590 Advanced Management Practices for the Elementary Teacher.	17
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

College of Liberal Arts

English

ENGL - 6141 - Studies in English Romanticism: Wordsworth and Coleridge	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	The course will be merged with ENGL 6145. A parallel proposal for the 7000-level versions of these courses has already been initiated.	19
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

ENGL - 6145 - Studies in English Romanticism	Summer 2024	Course Changes	This class will be the result of merging what are currently two courses on English Romanticism representing the first and second generations of writers.	20
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

ENGL - 7145 - Studies in English Romanticism	Summer 2024	Course Changes	This course is being merged with ENGL 7141 because the department no longer can staff two separate graduate courses on Romanticism that hinged on a division between the first and second generations of this movement.	21
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

English, Ph.D.	Summer 2024	Change to curriculum of existing major	Propose to deactivate ENGL 7141 and offer the topics for that course under ENGL 7145. The material offered under the deactivated number will still be available under another course number, but ENGL 7141 should be removed from the description of courses that meet the area requirement for British Literature since the Renaissance in the English Ph.D. program.	27
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

History

HIST - 5060, 5140, 5610, 5660	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	28
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

HIST - 6555, 6620, 6630, 6720, 6730, 6990, 7555, 7620, 7720, 7730, 7960	Summer 2024	Course Discontinuation	These courses have not been offered in long time.	29
Discussion: n/a				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Adjournment: Pam Morris 10:59am

Graduate Council - Faculty Status Subcommittee
November Agenda - Zoom
November 17, 2023
1:00 PM

I. Call to Order –

A quorum was not present; All subcommittee members submitted their votes via email.

II. Graduate Faculty Status

A. Adjunct

1. Aday, Ronald- approved
2. Alexis, Lance- approved
3. Dremel, Frank- approved
4. Kehoe, Karen- approved
5. Swayze, Anita- approved
6. Wilson, Timothy- approved
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B. Full

1. Blankenship, Kathryn- approved
2. Bowman, Angela- approved
3. Clark, W Jeff- approved
4. DiCicco, Jonathan- approved
5. Eschenfelder, Christine- approved
6. Hooser, Angela- approved
7. Jessen, Jason- approved
8. Morris, Steven- approved
9. Mosley, Chaney- approved
10. Myatt, Julie- approved
11. Smith, Elizabeth- approved
12. Stone, Kahler- approved
13. Young (Davis), Rachel- approved

C. Teaching

1. Elrod-Erickson, Matthew- approved
2. Haines, Leslie- approved

III. Motion to Adjourn-n/a

Meeting Date: November 17, 2023

Committee Members: Vickie Harden, Chair
Carol Nies
Don Roy
Donald M. Walker

Graduate Council

Scholarships / Program Review Subcommittee

External Program Reviewer Applications

M.S. Computer Science

Huaming Zhang, Ph.D. -Recommend

Dr. Zhang is located outside Tennessee.

There is no prior affiliation with MTSU per information provided on CV.

The applicant has the appropriate terminal degree – Ph.D., Computer Science and Engineering

The applicant holds rank of Associate Professor since 2011. He is currently the Associate Chair of the Computer Science Department at the University of Alabama, Huntsville.

The applicant meets the 10-year requirement for work at a similar institution.

Dr. Zhang meets the requirement for outstanding research activity and special expertise. He has been awarded multiple external grants. Dr. Zhang is well-published with recent publications. He has presented at numerous professional conferences.

Dr. Zhang has mentored and advised several Ph.D. and MS students.

Summary: Dr. Zhang has extensive experience and expertise. He has contributed significantly to the field via research and publications. His work with students is noted and he has international experience as well as research in rural regions.

MS Engineering Technology

Ece Yaprak, Ph.D. - Recommend

Dr. Yaprak is located outside Tennessee.

Per his CV, there has been no prior affiliation with MTSU.

Dr. Yaprak has a Ph.D. in Computer Engineering. This aligns with the requirements for the external reviewer for the M.S. Engineering Technology program.

Dr. Yaprak is at rank of professor in the Division of Engineering Technology, College of Engineering. He has been at this rank and position since 2007, fulfilling the requirements for experience and expertise in the field. He is also the Chair of Department of Engineering Technology.

Dr. Yaprak meets the requirement for a minimum of 10 years working at a similar institution. He has numerous excellence in teaching awards and extensive research with student involvement.

He has published a large body of peer reviewed research articles and conducted presentations at nation and international conferences. He has been awarded numerous federal grants and received internal research funding.

Summary: Dr. Yaprak exceeds the requirements for program reviewer. His extensive research experience and inclusion of students is impressive. Dr. Yaprak's administrative, teaching and research positions make him an excellent candidate for reviewer.