

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

February 24, 2012

The Graduate Council met at 1:30 p.m. in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the Sam Ingram Building. Chair Craig Rice presided.

I. Call to Order

Members present:

Helen Binkley, Vince Cobb, Jamie Fuston, Kevin Donovan, Amy Hennington, Robin Lee, Donald Lester, Vicky MacLean, Jason Reineke, and Greg Schmidt

Ex-Officio members present:

Michael Allen, Dean, College of Graduate Studies

II. Announcements

A. **Dr. Craig Rice, Chair**

Dr. Rice opened the meeting.

B. **Dr. Michael Allen, Dean**

Dr. Allen shared that we have received approval of the Letter of Intent for the new Ed.D. in Teaching, Learning, and School Improvement. Work on the full proposal is underway.

Dr. Allen reported that a piece of legislation has been introduced that would make teacher salaries merit-based as opposed to the current teacher salary scale which is based on seniority and training. If approved, this legislation would significantly reduce the number of teachers enrolling in graduate school.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting—January 27, 2012

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2012. The motion to accept the minutes was seconded and passed.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports

A. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review

Dr. Greg Schmidt, Chair

- Consent Calendar presented
- *A motion was made to accept the consent calendar. The motion was seconded and passed.*

B. Student Affairs and Travel

Dr. Jason Reineke, Chair

Dr. Reineke reported that the committee continues to review travel requests with \$950 remaining in the budget.

C. Policies and Procedures

Dr. Kathy Burriss, Chair

- No report

D. Graduate Program Review

Dr. Larry Burriss, Chair

- In Dr. Larry Burriss' absence, Dr. Donovan reported that Dr. Richard Utz (Western Michigan University), external reviewer for English, will be on campus next week. Dr. Burriss will represent the Graduate Council at those meetings.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Graduate Council – Consent Calendar February 24, 2012

Graduate Faculty Membership

Adjunct

Gina L. Grogan / Elementary and Special Education

Gerard T. Kapolka / English

Richard C. Meeks / Nursing

Bill M. Mooningham / Accounting

Joyce E. Williams / Sociology and Anthropology

Associate

Anne Brzezicki / Agribusiness and Agriscience

Full Reappointment

Kathryn E. Boudreau / Educational Leadership

Joel W. Hausler / Educational Leadership

Doctoral

Tina J. Hall / Health and Human Performance

Curriculum Changes

Psychology

Other

Change the prerequisite from “a grade of C or higher in PSY 3020 and 3070 or equivalent training (permission of department)” to “admission to Psychology or Mental Health Counseling graduate program or permission of department.” To be effective Summer 2012

Change enrollment criterion for PSY 6085, Pre-Practicum for Industrial/Organizational Psychology. Add prerequisite to read: “Admission to program”. To be effective Summer 2012

Dyslexic Studies

Other

Terminate Graduate Certificate Program in Dyslexic Studies, effective Summer 2013

Geosciences

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Other

Establish a Concentration in Geosciences within the existing MS in Professional Sciences, requires 36 credit hours, effective Fall 2012

Proposed New Course and Dual-Listing

GEOL 5040 Engineering Geology, 3 credit hours, to be dual-listed with GEOL 4040, effective Fall 2012

GEOG 5560 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems, 3 credit hours, to be dual-listed with GEOG 4560, effective Fall 2012

GEOG 5570 Advanced Geographic Information Systems, 3 credit hours, to be dual-listed with GEOG 4570, effective Fall 2012

Proposed New Course

GEOL 6000 Environmental Geosystems, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2012

GEOL 6010 Topics in Environmental Geosystems, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2012

GEOL 6020 Advanced Hydrogeology, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2012

Nursing

*****All of the following changes to be effective Fall 2012*****

Note: The 5000 level numbering of courses applies to Austin Peay, East Tennessee State University, and Tennessee State University, and is cross-listed with a corresponding 6000 level number for MTSU and Tennessee Tech, and a 7000 level number for the University of Memphis.

MSN RODP Concentration in Nursing Education:

- Addition of existing RODP core nursing courses NURS 5101 (Advanced Health Assessment), NURS 5102 (Advanced Health Assessment Clinical), and NURS 5104 (Advanced Pharmacology) to the core education curriculum
- Consolidation of 3 existing education concentration courses into 2 new courses (NURS 5204-Curriculum Design & Education Theory and NURS 5205-Evaluation in Nursing Education)
- Consolidation of 6 existing clinical focus courses (Advanced Adult Health Nursing I and II, Critical Care I and II, and Pediatric Nursing I and II) into 3 new courses (Advanced Adult Health, Advanced Critical Care, and Advanced Pediatric Nursing)
- Development of 2 new clinical focus courses in Women's Health & Perinatal Nursing and Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
- Decrease in required clinical focus credits from 6 to 3
- Increase in credits to degree from 39 to 40

- MSN RODP Post-Master's Certificate Program:*
- Reduction in credit hours from 21 to 15 to align with the MSN in Nursing Education Concentration

Elementary and Special Education

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Proposed New Course

ELED 6570 Methods of Curriculum Integration, 3 credit hours, effective Fall 2012

Course Title Change

ELED 6360 Change Title from "Introduction to Quantitative Research" to "Interpreting Data for Decision Making", effective Fall 2012

Basic and Applied Sciences

Other

Add a new Concentration to the Master of Science in Professional Science (MSPS) degree major. The proposed Concentration is Engineering Management and consists of existing courses in the Engineering Technology Department. Effective Fall 2012