

# GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

May 13, 2016

The Graduate Council met at 2:02 p.m. in Ingram 101. Chair Jennifer Vannatta-Hall presided.

## I. Call to Order

### **Members present:**

Jennifer Vannatta-Hall, William Crabtree, Michelle Stevens (for Ginny Dansby), Kathleen Darby, Bichaka Fayissa, Amy Harris, Robert Kalwinsky, Steve Livingston, Richard Meeks, Pamela Morris, Lynn Nelson, Brian Robertson, Saleh Sbenaty (for Vishwas Bedekar), Monica Wallace, Cliff Welborn, Jeremy Winters, and Kolby McGee Wright, and Michelle Fields

### **Ex-Officio/ Guests present:**

Scott Handy, Interim Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies  
Jackie Eller, Interim Dean, College of Graduate Studies and Vice Provost for Research

## II. Announcements

### **a. Dr. Jennifer Vannatta-Hall, Chair**

Dr. Vannatta-Hall opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

### **b. Dr. Jackie Eller, Interim-Dean, College of Graduate Studies**

Dr. Eller thanked all of the Graduate Council by bringing a cake.

### **c. Dr. Scott Handy, Interim Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies**

Dr. Handy informed the Council that for the time being all courses in Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning have been cancelled for summer 2016.

Dr. Handy will be a part of a sales demonstration meeting next week discussing Curriculog, an online curriculum management system.

Dr. Handy noted that the role of TNeCampus will be reviewed as TBR transitions to individual institutional Boards.

## III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting – April 22, 2016

The minutes were distributed to the Graduate Council for review. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the April 22, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

## IV. Sub-Committee Reports

### **a. Graduate Faculty and Curriculum Review**

#### **Dr. Cliff Welborn, Chair**

- The May Consent Calendar is attached.
- The Consent Calendar comes in the form of a motion. It was seconded and passed.

**b. Student Affairs and Travel**

**Dr. Kathleen Darby, Chair**

- Dr. Darby noted that the committee met the last week of April and decided on the disbursement of the College of Graduate Studies Scholarships for 2016-2017.
- Dr. Eller has requested an additional \$5,000 be permanently added to the Student Travel Budget.

**c. Policies and Procedures**

**Dr. Jeremy Winters, Chair**

**d. Graduate Program Review**

**Dr. Bichaka Fayissa, Chair**

- Dr. Fayissa reported on the following program reviews:  
Mathematics, MS  
Health and Human Performance, MS  
Professional Science, MS
- Overall all reviews were positive and favorable. There were several common themes noted for all of them which included low operating budgets compared to program needs, the need for new faculty lines (particularly HHP), the need to increase graduate assistantship lines and stipends.

V. **Old Business**

VI. **New Business**

**a. Dr. Jennifer Vannatta-Hall, Chair**

- Dr. Vannatta-Hall asked for volunteers or nominations to fill the roles of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2016-2017.
- Dr. Amy Harris volunteered to serve as Chair, and Dr. Richard Meeks volunteered for the Vice-Chair position.
- A motion was made to accept Dr. Harris as Chair and Dr. Meeks as Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded and passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

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## Graduate Council – Consent Calendar May 13, 2016

### Graduate Faculty Membership

#### **Full**

Elliot Altman / Biology / PhD  
Michael Hanson / Recording Industry / MFA  
Ryan Seth Jones / Educational Leadership  
Andrea Phillips / Media and Entertainment / PhD  
Bethany Wrye / Health and Human Performance / PhD

#### **Adjunct**

James McAlister / Health and Human Performance / PhD

### Graduate Curriculum Changes

#### ***Biology***

##### **Inactivation of Courses**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

Inactivate      BIOL 5030, BIOL 5120, BIOL 5250, BIOL 5251, BIOL 5331, BIOL 5332, BIOL 5333, BIOL 6060, &  
                              BIOL 6400

#### ***Educational Leadership***

##### **New Courses**

Changes to be effective Spring 2017

LIBS 6010              Collection Development and User Services  
                              Part of New MLS Program

LIBS 6320              Information Searching Strategies  
                              Part of New MLS Program

##### **Course Number/Title Change**

Changes to be effective Spring 2017

LIBS 6999              Change name from:      Comprehensive Examination and Preparation  
                              To:                              Exit Assessment Preparation

#### ***Elementary and Special Education***

##### **Other**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

Replace YOED course in the Required Courses of the Initial Licensure Program with ELED 6570 and remove the statement 'or' and 'See Advisor for additional course selection' located under Specialized Core

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## ***Health and Human Performance***

### **Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

Add a Health Specialization and a Nutrition Specialization to the M.S. Health and Human performance – Health Concentration and rearrange the curriculum

## ***Management***

### **Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

M.S. Management – Not-for-Profit Concentration                      Change electives and required courses in concentration

### **New Courses**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

ENTR 6250                      Corporate Innovation

## ***Math and Science Education***

### **New Courses**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

MSE 7845                      Nature of Mathematics and Science  
New to MSE Core – Replacing a Special Topics Course

MSE 7848                      Knowledge for Teaching in Mathematics and Science  
New to MSE Core – Replacing a Special Topics Course

### **Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

Add MSE 7900                      Teaching and Learning in Mathematics and Science

Eliminate MSE 7840                      Special Topics

Add MSE 7845                      Nature of Mathematics and Science

Add MSE 7848                      Knowledge of Teaching in Mathematics and Science

Reduce the number of elective hours in each concentration by 3 hours

## ***Psychology***

### **Non-Substantive Revisions in Curriculum**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

For M.A. School Psychology:

Require PSY 6615                      Basic & Applied Methods in Psychology

Students will choose 1 statistics courses rather than be required to take two

PSY 6280/1                      Regression

OR

PSY 6290/1                      ANOVA

### **Other -Substantive Revisions in Curriculum**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

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Substantive changes to both the M.A. and Ed.S. Programs for School Psychology

### *Recording Arts*

#### **Other**

Changes to be effective Fall 2016

Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's program for the M.F.A. in Recordings Arts and Technologies