

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
February 26, 2025
Meadowlark Room

In Attendance: Paige Boydston, Jamie Brooksher, Jason Clemensen, Tim Flood, Carissa Gober, Jennifer Harris, Jon Jones, Kay Kim, Trent Lindbloom, Lori Martin, Alicia Mason, Greg Murray, Jody Neef, Herman Nonnenmacher, David O'Bryan, Brian Sims, Kyle Thompson

Absent: Alex Binder, Robin Blair, Susan Bon, Julie Dainty, Derrel Fincher, Shelby Hutchens, Krissy Lewis, Matthew Montague, Tristan Ragland, Kristi Stuck

Guests: Trina Larery, Barbara McClaskey

The minutes of the December 4, 2024 meeting were approved with no corrections.

Dr. Flood moved for approval, Dr. Neef seconded and the motion carried.

The following were submitted for Graduate Faculty recommendations:

Christopher Reid Hayden Ward	Biology
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There was discussion regarding the M.D. degree being accepted as the terminal degree since the handbook lists that a Ph.D. is the terminal degree for Biology. After some discussion it was suggested to follow up with the department about the need to update the terminal degrees accepted in the handbook.

Dr. Sims moved for approval, Dr. Harris seconded and the motion carried.

The following were submitted for Graduate Service recommendations:

New:

Derek Blakeley	History, Philosophy, and Social Sciences 25/SP HIST 703 World History Selected Subjects
Lindsey McNellis	History, Philosophy, and Social Sciences 25/SP HIST 703 World History Selected Subjects

It was noted that the dates the degrees were received were not noted on the request forms, but that the dates were included in the Vita's.

Dr. Flood moved for approval, Dr. Boydston seconded and the motion carried.

The following curricular matters were submitted:

College of Arts and Sciences

Chemistry

Request for New Course
CHEM 818 Adv Polymer Gels

Request for New Course
CHEM 820 Adv Polymerization and Polymer Kinetics

Dr. Neef shared that Polymer Chemistry has two new faculty members who have an expertise in the areas that will teach these new courses.

Dr. Gober moved for approval, Dr. O'Bryan seconded and the motion carried.

School of Nursing

Request to Reactivate Course
NURS 745 Transcultural Health Care

Request to Reactivate Course
NURS 746 Transcultural Health Care Practicum

Dr. McClaskey shared that they are requesting to reactivate these courses for study abroad experiences.

Request for New Course
NURS 842 Advanced Forensic Nursing I

Request for New Course
NURS 843 Advanced Forensic Nursing I: Practicum

Request for New Course
NURS 844 Advanced Forensic Nursing II

Request for New Course
NURS 845 Advanced Forensic Nursing II: Practicum

Request for New Course
NURS 846 Advanced Forensic Nursing III: Practicum

Request for New Emphasis
DNP (Forensic Nursing Leadership)

Request for New Emphasis
MSN Nursing (Forensic Nursing Leadership)

Dr. Larery shared that they are requesting to create five new courses to be included in their request for a new emphasis in Forensic Nursing Leadership for the MSN and the DNP program.

Dr. Flood moved to approve all of the School of Nursing requests as a group, Dr. Sims seconded and the motion carried.

College of Education

Teaching and Leadership

Request for Revision of Course
READ 874 Literacy Practicum 2-Changes to Pre/Co-Requisites and the course description

Dr. Clemensen shared that changing the prerequisites to co-requisites would keep them from having to give everyone special permission to enroll in this course.

Request for New Emphasis
MS Educational Leadership (Building Principalship Licensure)

Request for New Emphasis
MS Educational Leadership (Leadership Studies Non-Licensure)

Dr. Clemensen explained that both of these emphases were previously submitted to Graduate Council but returned to the department. He shared that he has updated the forms and the request is to have these two emphases separated for accreditation.

Dr. O'Bryan moved to approve the Teaching and Leadership requests, Dr. Neef seconded and the motion carried.

College of Technology

Technology and Workforce Learning

Request to Inactivate Course
GIT 810 Special Topics

Request to Inactivate Course
GIT 840 Color Reproduction

Request to Inactivate Course
GIT 880 Graphics Administration

Dr. Sims moved to approve the Technology and Workforce Learning requests, Dr. Neef seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business

MS Educational Leadership (Athletic Administration) documentation of meeting with Teaching and Leadership and Health, Human Performance and Recreation regarding the new emphasis.

HLC Criteria for Teaching Graduate Courses-Update from committee

Since the chair of this committee, Dr. Binder was not present, Dr. Thompson suggested that we get an update from the committee at the March meeting.

For the good of the order

Dr. Thompson mentioned that he had received a request from the Faculty Senate President to have a Graduate Council representative attend Faculty Senate meetings to provide updates. After some discussion it was decided that Dr. Bon, who serves as the Graduate School Dean, could provide updates to Faculty Senate if needed.

Dr. Clemensen moved to adjourn, Dr. Harris seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 12, 2025 in the Meadowlark Room