

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, May 6, 2009

Present: Sandy Bauchmoyer, Greg Belcher, Shirley Drew, Stephen Harmon, Richard Herling, Rusty Jones, David Kuehn, Paul McCallum, James Oliver, Kent Runyan, Janis Schiefelbein, Robert Schwindt, James Sours, Jay Van Wyk, Don Ward, Larry Williamson, Bobby Winters, Marti York

The minutes of the Wednesday, April 8, 2009 meeting were approved with no corrections.

Dr. Williamson moved for approval, Dr. Winters seconded and the motion carried.

The following were submitted for approval for Graduate Faculty Recommendations:

Andrew Klenke	Technology and Workforce Learning
Michael Neden	Technology and Workforce Learning

Dr. Runyan moved for approval, Dr. Williamson seconded and the motion carried.

The following were submitted for approval for Graduate Service Recommendations:

Renewals and/or have received prior approval for other courses:

Christine Elliott	Family and Consumer Sciences 09/SU FCS*740 Sp Tp: Current Teaching Practices FACS 09/WF FCS*740 Sp Tp: Ext and Research Careers
Lynn Murray	Management and Marketing 09/SU MGMKT*821 Tp: Internship
Bradley Hunt	Psychology and Counseling 09/SU PSYCH*759 Advanced Developmental Psychology
Darrick Perry	Psychology and Counseling 09/SU PSYCH*741 Behavior Modification
Judy Van Hoy	Psychology and Counseling 09/SU PSYCH*712 Medical Risk Issues
Delaina Brown	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/SU SSLS*834 Curriculum Development

Denise Grasso	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/SU SSLS*735 Information Retrieval and Transfer
Michelle Hudiburg	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/WF SSLS*735 Information Retrieval/Transfer SSLS*805 Design/Production of Instructional Materials
Gary Reed	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/WF SSLS*801 Educational Leadership II SSLS*835 Elementary/Middle School Curriculum SSLS*836 Secondary School Curriculum
Nancy Tomassi	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/SU SSLS*779 Teaching Elementary Students with Adaptive Learning Needs
Kylie Westervelt	Special Services and Leadership Studies 09/SU SSLS*868 Educational Technology Applications
New Appointments:	
R. Scott Norman	Automotive Technology 09/SU AT*795 Tp: Skills USA 09 Educators
Murali Sundaram	Engineering Technology 09/WF ETECH*805 Current Issues/Engineering Technology ETECH*810 Collaborative Projects/Engineering Technology
Kirstin Lawson	History 09/WF HIST*700 Sel. Sub.: Industrial America 1865-1914 HIST*805 Readings in American History: 20 th Century America
Kelly Heiskell	Psychology and Counseling 09/SU PSYCH*759 Advanced Developmental Psychology PSYCH*740 Tp: Prenatal, Neonatal, Early Child PSYCH*740 Tp: Midchild and Adolescence PSYCH*740 Tp: Adulthood and Aging PSYCH*810 Advanced Educational Psychology

Ed Streich

Special Services and Leadership Studies

09/WF

SSLS*801 Educational Leadership II

SSLS*891 Methods of Research

SSLS*893 Practicum in Educational Leadership

Dr. Ward moved to make renewals and new appointments a unit and for approval, Dr. Winters seconded and the motion carried.

Curricular Matters:

College of Arts and Sciences:

Chemistry

Request for Creation of Course: (effective 09/WF)

CHEM*720 Laboratory Safety and Compliance

English

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 09/SU)

ENGL*714 Applied Linguistics for English for Speakers of Other Languages

Nursing

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 09/SU)

NURS*745 Transcultural Health Care

Physics

Request for Creation of Course: (effective 09/WF)

PHYS*720 Laboratory Safety and Compliance

PHYS*775 High-Energy Astrophysics

College of Education:

Special Services and Leadership Studies

Request for Program Change:

Deletion of emphasis: (effective 09/WF)

MS Educational Technology with emphasis in Technology Facilitator (Industrial Setting)

Change in emphasis: (effective 09/WF)

Existing: Master of Science with a major in Educational Technology with emphasis in:
- Technology Facilitator (Educational Setting)

Proposed: Master of Science with a major in Educational Technology with emphasis in:
- Technology Integration Specialist

College of Technology:

Engineering Technology

Request for Creation of Course: (effective 09/WF)
ETECH*890 Research and Thesis

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 09/WF)
ETECH*809 Engineering Management
ETECH*852 Integrated Design and Manufacturing Concepts

Request for Program Change: (effective 09/WF)
Program: MET in Engineering Technology
Change: Changing courses on the candidacy plan

Requesting permission for a current graduate program to be offered at least 50% online as per Higher Learning Commission guidelines:

- MA in History

Dr. Williamson moved to make all curricular matters a unit and for approval, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business:

Updates – Dr. Snyder

Dr. Snyder was present to discuss several issues. She informed the Council there will be an internal search for an acting Provost and then a national search will take place in the fall. She updated the Council on the new policy for the SPEAK test replacement, stating that a 22 on the Speaking portion of the Internet Based TOEFL is the new requirement for any GTA positions. However, an amendment has been made to this policy to state that, in GTA positions that could be designated as non-direct teaching positions, a score of 18 can be accepted with Chair and Dean approvals. A form for these approvals is being approved. At this point, students who have not taken the TOEFL (i.e. completed IEP or an undergraduate degree at an English speaking university) will be required to take it to meet these requirements.

Drafts of Grade Appeal Policy and Grade Appeal Form – Dr. Snyder

Dr. Snyder explained that Faculty Senate has also explored the grade appeal policy and this draft is proposed for both undergraduate and graduate students. Dr. Jones inquired whether exceptions would still be given for certain situations (i.e. student is in an accident and cannot attend class). Dr. Snyder replied that it would.

Dr. Schwindt moved for approval of the policy, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. McCallum pointed out a grammatical correction on the Grade Appeal form, which was noted by Dr. Snyder.

Dr. Winters moved for approval of the form as amended, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Incomplete Policy Draft – Dr. Snyder

Dr. Snyder presented a draft of a change to the current incomplete grade policy for review. She explained that the only major changes are to quantify the percentage of work completed to earn this grade (instead of simply stating that a majority must have been completed) and that the current grade must be entered with the incomplete so that, if no more work is completed within the year and the grade is never changed, the grade on the transcript will roll to the initial grade given instead of automatically to an F. This will not apply for courses that have been legislated to remain incomplete on the transcript (890s, 891s, etc.) or for courses in which an IP grade is given. Dr. Ward inquired what prompted these changes. Dr. Snyder explained that Registrars has become overwhelmed with IN grades and has received many complaints from students who had an IN that rolled to an F. Dr. York inquired whether it will still show on the transcript that the course was once incomplete. Dr. Snyder said it will. She asked the Council to consider this policy change and be ready to discuss it further in the fall.

New Business:

Approval of Spring graduates

Dr. Belcher moved to approve with any necessary revisions required by the department, Dr. Jones seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Winters moved to adjourn the meeting of the Grad Council and reconvene as Graduate Faculty to approve the list of Spring graduates, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Winters moved to approve the list of Spring graduates with any necessary revisions required by the department, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Winters moved to adjourn, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 10, 2009 at 3:00 p.m.
in the Inaugural Room of the Overman Student Center.