

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, November 10, 2010

Present: Mujtaba Ahsan, Jonathan Dresner, Shirley Drew, Ann George, Richard Herling, Ananda Jayawardhana, Rusty Jones, Chuck Killingsworth, David Kuehn, Sean Lauderdale, Paul McCallum, James Oliver, Brenda Roberts, Jesus Rodriguez, Alice Sagehorn, Julie Samuels, Brian Sandford, Janis Schiefelbein, Robert Schwindt, William Shirley, Jay Van Wyk, Don Ward, Ray Willard, Larry Williamson, Xiaolu Xu

The minutes of the Wednesday, September 8, 2010 meeting were approved with no corrections.

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

The following was submitted for approval for Graduate Faculty Recommendation:

Kristopher Mijares Chemistry

Dr. Ward moved for approval, Dr. Jayawardhana 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:

Li-Lin Tseng Art
11/SP
ART*701 Independent Study: Art History
ART*801 Independent Study: Art History
ART*895 Research Seminar: Contemporary Art

Patty Clay Curriculum and Instruction
11/SP
CURIN*849 Professional Sem – Culminating Experience

SuAnn Grant Curriculum and Instruction
11/SP
CURIN*839 Techniques for Teaching Secondary

Thomas Petz Curriculum and Instruction
11/SP
CURIN*850 Current Teaching Practices

Brad Hodson Management and Marketing
11/SP
MGMKT*828 Leadership and Behavioral Management

Kristel Barr Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*835 Elementary/Middle School Curriculum
SSLS*836 Secondary School Curriculum

Michelle Hudiburg Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*741 Tp in Ed Tech: Gaming in Education

Brett Potts Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*847 The Principalship

Gary Reed Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*998 Practicum: Educational Systems Leadership II

Ed Streich Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*902 Educational Systems Leadership II

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

New Appointments:

Robyn Neil Curriculum and Instruction
11/SP
CURIN*870 Developmental Reading Instruction

Holly Sagehorn Family and Consumer Sciences
11/SP
FCS*740 Sp Tp: Creative Problem Solving

Lisa Garcia Psychology and Counseling
11/SP
PSYCH*810 Advanced Educational Psychology

Terri Hart Special Services and Leadership Studies
11/SP
SSLS*835 Elementary/Middle School Curriculum
SSLS*836 Secondary School Curriculum

Dr. Roberts moved to make new appointments a unit and for approval, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

Curricular Matters:

College of Arts and Sciences:

Biology:

Request for Creation of Course: (effective 11/SP)
BIOL*892 Professional Experience

Dr. Kuehn moved for approval, Dr. Ward seconded and the motion carried.

Request for Addition of Option III – Coursework to MS degree

Dr. Wu was present and explained she felt the department would like more time to discuss this request before it is reviewed by the Council.

Dr. Wu moved to table this request, Dr. Ahsan seconded and the motion carried.

Communication:

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 10/WF)

COMM*730 Interpersonal Communication (change in prerequisites)

Dr. Ward moved for approval, Dr. Jayawardhana seconded and the motion carried.

Music:

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 11/SP)

MUSIC*720 Introduction to Symphonic Literature (change in course number and desc)

MUSIC*727 20-th Century Music (change in course number)

Dr. Willard moved for approval, Dr. Sandford seconded and the motion carried.

Physics:

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 11/SP)

PHYS*714 Statistical Thermodynamics (change in prerequisites)

PHYS*716 Introductory Quantum Mechanics (change in prerequisites)

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

College of Education:

Psychology and Counseling:

Request for Degree Changes:

MS Psychology (General) and Ed.S. School Psych - replace one course on candidacy

Dr. Willard moved for approval, Dr. Sagehorn seconded and the motion carried.

MS Counseling (School) – six additional candidacy hours for non-teaching applicants

Dr. Ward explained that Kansas has now joined other states in allowing those without a teacher education background to qualify for this degree and licensure.

These students will need additional requirements to meet required qualifications, which will include 6 additional candidacy hours. Other additional requirements will be needed for licensure, but not for the degree.

Dr. Sandford moved for approval, Dr. Jayawardhana seconded and the motion carried.

Special Services and Leadership Studies:

Request for Creation of Course: (effective 11/SP)

SSLS*747 KISN Training Series

SSLS*748 Autism Spectrum Disorder Workshops

Dr. Roberts explained these courses have previously been offered as topics courses but are now being required on a regular basis.

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 11/SP)
SSLS*812 Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders (change in course title)
Dr. Willard moved for approval, Dr. Kuehn seconded and the motion carried.

College of Technology:

Technology and Workforce Learning:

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 10/WF)
HRD*883 Internship in Human Resource Development (change in grading system)
HRD*983 Practicum in Human Resource Development (change in grading system)
Dr. Ward moved for approval, Dr. Dresner seconded and the motion carried.

Request for Revision of Course: (effective 11/SP)
TTED*808 Cooperative Education (change in course title and description)
Dr. Sandford explained the new title better reflects what's being taught in the course.
Dr. Sandford moved for approval, Dr. Killingsworth seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Thesis Committee Requirements – Dr. Dresner

Dr. Dresner explained that History often selects the faculty from Social Sciences as the outside member on thesis committees. Now that these two departments are merging, they will no longer be allowed to use the Social Sciences faculty as outside committee members under current thesis committee policy. He proposed replacing the wording of the policy from “one of which is outside the department...” to “one of which is outside the program...”. Several on the Council questioned why other faculty members from around campus cannot be used to fill the outside member role, given that the outside member is not required to have knowledge of the thesis topic. Dr. Snyder stated that any student with an established committee at the time of the departmental merger would be allowed to continue. After much discussion, it was decided to leave the policy as is.

Retired Faculty Serving on Thesis

Dr. Snyder explained that years ago, when a faculty member resigned or retired, their name was removed from the records and they could not be selected to serve on a thesis committee. In our current system, people do not leave the list when they retire. Some departments have asked these names be removed; however, there are many cases where these same people return to teach, and are then eligible to be put back on the list. Snyder asked the Council if they felt tenured faculty members that had already been approved by the Council should be removed or remain on the list when they resign/retire. Council

members agreed to continue allowing retired/resigned past members to continue to serve on thesis committees.

Enrollment numbers for 10/WF

This was given as information to the Council members and their departments. As an information point, Dr. Snyder pointed out that the majority (65%) of current graduate students at PSU are age 30 and under.

Dr. Willard moved to adjourn, Dr. Jayawardhana seconded the motion carried.

The December meeting date will be Wednesday, December 8, 2010.
The meeting will be held in the Inaugural Room of the Overman Student Center.