

SPED 748: Autism Spectrum Disorder Workshops

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

Old Business:

Amendment to Graduate Council Bylaws (representation) – Dr. Jayawardhana

- Tabled portion regarding eliminating those on administrative appointments from serving on the Council.

Dr. Jayawardhana expressed a preference to wait until the new Dean of Graduate and Continuing Studies has been hired. This item will remain tabled until then.

Completing a second emphasis – Dr. Snyder

Dr. Snyder presented a proposal for a second emphasis policy (attached to the minutes). Representatives were encouraged to take the draft back to their departments. A vote will be held at the April meeting.

Report on Electronic Thesis Committee – Dr. Snyder

- Will departments still want physical copy?

Jaime Vanderbeck explained the Library already has a software program they believe will be adequate for this process. A sample group of thesis students will be tested using this software in the fall. The question is whether departments will still require a physical copy from the student. Representatives were asked to discuss this issue with their departments and it will be discussed again in April. The Council would also like to have more information on whether students will be able to opt out of open access.

New Business:

Process of new degree approvals – Dr. Snyder

A recent issue in Faculty Senate has prompted the Deans to explore the process of how new degrees and courses are approved. They have asked to speak with the Chair and Vice Chair (Sandford and Jayawardhana) regarding the process at the graduate level.

Reminder – all representatives for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 will need to attend the April meeting.

The April meeting date will be Wednesday, April 11, 2012.
The meeting will be held in the Balkans Room of the Overman Student Center.

Second Emphasis

Students can earn a second emphasis within a major with approval from the academic department and by meeting all admission and conditional requirements. Students must complete the second emphasis' requirements as legislated and listed in the University Catalog. The second emphasis will be noted on the student's transcript if it is completed prior to graduating with the first emphasis.

Possible additional statements:

A second emphasis must consist of at least nine credit hours.

A second emphasis must consist of at least twelve credit hours.

Each program will have a minimum number of credit hours required for each emphasis.