

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

November 12, 2025

Meadowlark Room

In Attendance:

Alex Binder, Robin Blair, Susan Bon, Jamie Brooksher, Julie Dainty, Mark Diacopoulos, Derrel Fincher, Tim Flood, Carissa Gober, Jennifer Harris, Jon Jones, Kay Kim, Lori Matin, Greg Murray, Jody Neef, Hermann Nonnenmacher, Tristan Ragland, Katherine Tackett, Kyle Thompson

Absent:

Paige Boydston, Tatiana Goris, Scott Gorman, Krissy Lewis, Trent Lindbloom, Matthew Montague, Brian Sims, Kristi Stuck

Ken Ward filled in for Alicia Mason

Guests:

Barbara McClaskey

The minutes of the October 8, 2025, meeting were approved with no corrections.

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

The following were submitted for Graduate Faculty Recommendations:

Natalie Bird	Health, Human Performance, and Recreation Discipline/Sub-field: Recreation and Sport Management
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Dr. Flood moved for approval, Dr. Neef seconded and the motion carried.

Sheila Cook	Teaching and Leadership Discipline/Sub-field: Family and Consumer Services
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Dr. Dainty moved for approval, Dr. Flood seconded and the motion carried.

The following were submitted for Graduate Service Recommendations:

Pranabesh Sahoo	Chemistry 26/SP Discipline/Sub-field: Polymer Chemistry and Polymer Engineering
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Kimberly Byler	School of Nursing
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26/SP
Discipline/Sub-field: Nursing

Daniel Gruman Teaching and Leadership
26/SP
Discipline/Sub-field: Educational Leadership and Policy
Studies-Mathematics

James Truelove Teaching and Leadership
26/SP
Discipline/Subfield: Curriculum and Instruction-Secondary
Education-Mathematics Edu

Dr. Blair moved to approve the Graduate Service recommendations as a group, Dr. Fincher seconded and the motion carried.

The following curricular matters were submitted:

**College of Arts & Sciences
School of Nursing**

Request for Revision of Course
NURS 746 Practicum in Transcultural Health Care
Grading System: Adding the option of an IP grade

**College of Technology
Technology and Workforce Learning**

Request for Revision of Course
GRT 850 Technology and Society
Credits Changing from 2 credits to 3 credits

Change to Curriculum: MS Technology
GRT 850 changing from 2 credits to 3 credits
Removing GRT 895 from candidacy

Dr. Fincher moved to approve all the curricular matters as a group, Dr. Gober seconded and the motion carried.

There was no old business

New Business

There was discussion regarding the process for approving courses. Dr. Dainty shared that Graduate Council had previously approved a new course, FCS 801, and then the Provost requested for some changes to be made to the course. It was decided that if changes were made after Graduate Council approval, the course would need to be presented to Graduate

Council again for approval. This will ensure that the correct information is included in the University catalog.

For the good of the order

Dr. Flood shared that he thought the response to the Graduate Faculty meeting from the prior day was positive. Dr. Bon shared that she realized that the data that she provided at the Graduate Faculty meeting was inaccurate and will send out revised numbers soon.

Dr. Bon shared that the search for the Dean of the College of Education would begin soon.

Dr. Neef shared that the Women in STEM are holding a food drive for the Wesley House and there is also a Chili Cook-Off tomorrow, November 13th, the proceeds will also go to the Wesley House.

Dr. Blair moved to adjourn, Dr. Bon seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 3, 2025, in the Meadowlark Room