

Council on Graduate Studies Minutes December 5, 2023

The December 5, 2023 hybrid meeting of the Council on Graduate Studies met in 3108 Blair Hall at 2:00 pm.

Members Present: Dr. Bonnie Laughlin-Schultz, Dr. Nikki Hillier, Dr. Alexis Jones, Dr. Chris Laingen, Dr. Farhad Sadeh, Ms. Chavionne Thomas

Members Absent: Dr. Wesley Allan

Staff Present: Interim Dean Dr. Robert Chesnut, Ms. Lana Taylor, Ms. Myra Taylor

Guests Present: Dr. Ryan Burge, Political Science

1. Minutes

The minutes of the November 14, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Hearing no changes or objections, the minutes stand as written.

2. Communication

Chair Laughlin-Schultz shared communication (received post-agenda distribution) forwarded to CGS from Interim Provost Dr. Ryan Hendrickson on behalf of the VPPA/President's Council. The policy (effective December 4, 2023), outlined an admission policy update relating to students with felony convictions and/or felony charges. The communication was reviewed by the Council.

- a. **EA-CHHS-24-11** Request to add **PLS 5183** to the accelerated shared coursework listing for the MA in PLS and the MA in PLS w/Public Administration & Public Policy Option
- b. **EA-CLAS-24-12** Change Pre-req for MAT 53351 Topics in Mathematics I "C or better in MAT 3530"
- c. **EA-CLAS-24-13** Change Pre-req for CSM 4985 "C or better in CSM 3560, CSM 3870 & MAT 3701"
- d. **EA-CLAS-24-14** Change Pre-req for CSM 4885 to "C or better in 3870"; move CSM 4885 to Spring offering

Motion to accept all communication items, with EA-CHHS-24-11 pending per the approval of the course's creation in agenda item **24-20**, made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Laingen. Approved by acclamation.

3. Items to be Added to the Agenda

- a. **24-23** MAT ELE Program Proposal & MAT ELE Creation Considerations
- b. **24-25** ELE 5005 Developmental-Diagnostic Reading (New Course)
- c. **24-26** ELE 5007 Assessment (New Course)
- d. **24-27** ELE 5003 Child Family Dev (New Course)
- e. **24-28** ELE 5004 Pedagogy (New Course)
- f. **24-29** STG 5008 Residency 1. (New Course)
- g. **24-30** STG 5009 Residency 2 (New Course)
- h. **24-31** ELE 5006 Curriculum in the Content Areas (New Course)
- i. **24-32** MS Nutrition Coordinated Grad Program (Including a Study Plan as reference)

Motion to add items to the January 23, 2024 agenda made by Dr. Hillier, motion seconded by Ms. Thomas. Motion passed by acclamation.

4. Items to be Acted Upon:

- a. **24-18** Revision to Graduate School Policy: Loss of Graduate Degree or Certificate Candidacy

Motion to approve item 24-18 made by Dr. Laingen, motion seconded by Ms. Thomas. Motion approved by roll call vote.

b. 24-19 PLS 5980 Graduate Internship (Course Revision)

Motion to approve item 24-19 made by Dr. Jones, motion seconded by Ms. Hillier. Motion approved by roll call vote.

c. 24-20 PLS 5183 Race and Politics in the United States (New Course)

Motion to approve item 24-20 pending a correction to the effective date (change from 202330 to 202430) made by Dr. Laingen, motion seconded by Dr. Hillier. Motion approved by roll call vote.

- d. 24-21** Revision to the MA in Political Science (Add course, change completion options, change a course title, update catalog listing)
- e. 24-22** Revision to the MA in Political Science: Public Administration/Public Policy Option (Add course, change completion options, change a course title, update catalog listing)

Motion to approve item 24-21, and 24-22 pending correction, made by Dr. Jones. (24-22 requires correction to stated additional coursework hours. Proposal should state 9-12, not 8-12.) Motion seconded by Dr. Hillier. Motion approved by roll call vote.

5. Items Pending: None

6. Other: None

7. Committee Reports

- a. Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC):** Ms. Myra Taylor shared the GSAC Committee met for the last meeting of the year on December 1 and had a Christmas party. The group also had 25 students attend a Bowling/Pizza night at Panther Lanes that evening.
- b. Booth Collaborative Advisory Committee:** (Dr. DeRuiter-Willems) No report
- c. Textbook Rental Advisory:** No report

8. Dean's Report

Interim Dean Chesnut shared the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty (DFI) scholarship application is available. Dr. Chesnut asked the members to share information with their departments and with any possible student candidates. Information will be posted on the graduate school competitive awards webpage and on social media.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Dr. Hillier. Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.