

MINUTES
Graduate Studies Executive Committee
Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.
Provost's Conference Room, Derryberry Hall, Room 200
and virtually through Teams

Members Present

Dr. Burduck – Chair	Dr. Sharon Holderman (non-voting)	Dr. Michael Phillips
Ms. Taylor Anderson	Dr. Samantha Hutson	Dr. Darron Smith
Dr. Alice Camuti	Dr. Steve Isbell	Dr. Jeremy Wendt
Dr. Dan Combs	Dr. Barbara Jared	Ms. Hannah Willis
Dr. William Eberle	Dr. Hayden Mattingly	Dr. Lisa Zagumny
Ms. Ciera Farris	Dr. Allan Mills	Dr. Mark Stephens – Executive Officer
Dr. Mike Gotcher	Ms. Kate Nicewicz	
Dr. Kimberly Hanna	Dr. Joseph Ojo	
Ms. Madison Harris	Dr. Julie Pharr	

Members Absent

Dr. Tony Michael	Dr. Bedelia Russell (non-voting)	Dr. John Zhu
Dr. Thomas Payne	Dr. Joseph Slater	

Other Attendees

Dr. Scott Christen

1. Approval of the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda: Dr. Isbell

Seconded by: Ms. Nicewicz

Comments/Amendments: None.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

2. Approval of the minutes from the October 5, 2021 meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes: Dr. Isbell

Seconded by: Dr. Jared

Comments/Amendments: None.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

3. Request for Exception for Curriculum and Instruction student,

Motion to approve: Dr. Gotcher

Seconded by: Ms. Nicewicz

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Wendt stated _____ completed some course validations and the department supports the student. Dr. Wendt stated the department wants _____ to finish and graduate.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

4. Request for Exception for Counseling and Psychology student,

Motion to approve: Dr. Gotcher

Seconded by: Dr. Jared

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Zagumny stated Counseling and Psychology students are short on 6000 level courses. Students must submit a Request for Exception to take more than 9 hours at the 5000 level. Dr. Zagumny stated Counseling and Psychology is working on developing more 6000 level courses.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

5. Request from the Communication Department Curriculum Committee to delete and add Journalism courses

Motion to approve: Dr. Gotcher

Seconded by: Dr. Isbell

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Christen stated the Special Problems courses need to be deleted and replaced with Independent Study. Dr. Christen stated deleting the Special Problems courses avoids any confusion with the Special Topics courses.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

6. Request from the Department of Communication to delete and add Communication courses.

Motion to approve: Dr. Isbell

Seconded by: Ms. Nicewicz

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Christen stated five years ago the department switched from speech to communication for classes. The language in the courses did not get changed. Dr. Christen stated COMM 5610 and COMM 6610 are course additions that will align with the Journalism Special Topics courses.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

7. Request from the Department of Curriculum and Instruction for course and catalog changes.

Motion to approve: Dr. Zagumny

Seconded by: Dr. Isbell

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Wendt stated the changes are for catalog cleanup and to add "A minimum grade of B is required to meet requirements for licensure candidates." Dr. Wendt stated the Library Science course descriptions need to be updated to help make the courses more marketable for additional students.

Dr. Eberle asked about the minimum grade of "B." Dr. Wendt stated it is for licensure students.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

8. Request from the School of Human Ecology to change HEC 6610.

Motion to approve: Dr. Zagumny

Seconded by: Dr. Jared

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Smith stated HEC 6610 needed a course name change to make it more current.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

9. Request from the College of Graduate Studies to update the catalog language for Master's Degree General Requirements.

Motion to approve: Dr. Zagumny

Seconded by: Ms. Nicewicz

Comments/Amendments: Dr. Camuti stated "or above" needs to be added to make it clear that 7000 level courses are allowed.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None

10. Informational Items: None.

11. Other Matters: None.

12. Adjourn

Motion to approve: Dr. Gotcher

Seconded by: Ms. Nicewicz

Comments/Amendments: None.

The Committee voted and the motion was: Approved by: All; Opposed by: None.

Submitted by:

College of Graduate Studies