All actions taken by the Graduate Council will have a twenty-one (21) day faculty protest period except for new courses, course changes and petitions which will be considered approved by the Graduate Faculty if no written protest is received in the Graduate College within seven (7) days.


Absent: Sally Beach, James Maner, Paul Spicer, Barry Weaver.

Guests: Kelly Guinn, Chandra Rai, Suresh Sharma, Francene Weatherby, David Wrobel.

Description of General Business
- The minutes from November 7, 2012 were approved.

Program Modifications
- The History M.A. program modification was approved by unanimous vote.
- The History Ph.D. program modification was approved by unanimous vote.
- The Natural Gas Engineering and Management M.S. program modification was approved by unanimous vote.
- The Petroleum Engineering B.S./Geological Engineering M.S. accelerated program modification was approved by unanimous vote.
- The Petroleum Engineering B.S./Petroleum Engineering M.S. accelerated program modification was approved by unanimous vote.

New Program
- The Natural Gas Technology graduate certificate was approved by unanimous vote.

Discussion Items
- The council discussed the issue of course description write-ups and concluded that the council will continue to ask for corrections to the write-ups where necessary.
- The council briefly discussed whether “Tools of Research” should remain a Graduate College requirement or whether it should be removed, allowing individual departments to write any desired research tool requirements into their program requirements. The requirement will be up for formal discussion at the January 2013 meeting and put to a vote at the February 2013 meeting.

Subcommittee Reports
- Dr. Sikavitsas provided the following report on the November 15, 2012 OUHSC Graduate Council meeting:
  - The necessary measures to be taken when minors visit the campus and faculty labs have been discussed after a presentation by Legal Counsel. For OU Norman the policy can be found as a link in https://www.ou.edu/content/eoo/links/
Graduate faculty appointments have been discussed and approved after a subcommittee recommendation.

- The Graduate College Academic Appeals Process has been discussed.
- Student company ownership & conflict of interest has been discussed.
- Graduate Student Association Report has been presented.

**Course Changes**

The following course changes and proposals have been unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Academic Programs Council for further approval after the seven (7) day protest period. Only brief information regarding approved changes follows; however, original course change proposals will be on file in the Graduate College through the seven-day protest period if you have questions or concerns about any of the following. Please contact the Graduate Council Secretary, Stephanie Powers, at 325-4706 if you wish to review any of these materials.

ANTH 5183. Course addition.
ANTH 5823. Course addition.
BIOL 5923. Course addition.
BOT 5971. Change credit hours.
CH E 5523. Change prerequisite.
EDAH 5633. Course addition.
EDAH 5643. Course addition.
EDAH 5653. Course addition.
EDAH 5683. Course addition.
EDAH 5713. Course addition.
EDSP 5193. Course addition.
EDSP 5293. Course addition.
EDSP 5393. Course addition.
EIPT 5023. Change prerequisite.
GEOL 5030. Change prerequisite.
GEOL 5843. Change prerequisite.
GEOL 5923. Change prerequisite.
GEOL 6453. Change prerequisite.
GPHY 5243. Change prerequisite.
GPHY 5533. Course addition.
GPHY 5864. Change prerequisite.
HIST 5001. Course addition.
ISE 6990. Change description. Change credit hours.
LIS 5553. Change prerequisite. Add slashlisting.
MBIO 5971. Change prerequisite. Change credit hours.
MUTE 5453. Course addition.
MUTE 5463. Course addition.
P E 5523. Course addition.
P SC 6133. Change description.
S WK 5170. Change credit hours.
S WK 5553. Change prerequisite.
S WK 5763. Change prerequisite.
S WK 5816. Course addition.
S WK 5820. Course deletion.
S WK 5826. Course addition.
S WK 5836. Course addition.
S WK 5846. Course addition.
S WK 5973. Change prerequisite.
S WK 5983. Change prerequisite.
SOC 5963. Course addition.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be January 16, 2012.

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