



UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING

March 5, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

OU Graduate College Conference Room, Robertson Hall 311

MINUTES

*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.*

Present: Ioana Cionea, Liz Karr, June Abbas, Amit Baishya, Mike Engel, Sara Ernst, Madalina Furis, Ashlie Mendoza, Emmanuel Odunfa, Doyle Phillips, Radhika Santhanam, Jenny Sperling, Omar Yadak, Doyle Yoon

Absent: Randall Hewes, Liz Butler, Natalie Letsa, Brenda Salgado, Jonathan Mitchell

Guests: Elizabeth Irick, Kim Mahre, Kristi Meyers, Stephanie Powers

General Business

1. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2025, meeting, and the council voted unanimously to approve them.
2. All course modifications, proposals, and deletions (see last page) were unanimously approved. (METR courses/programs were announced as on hold.)
3. Program modifications, proposals, and deletions
  - Gibbs College of Architecture
    - Environmental design, Accelerated Program Proposal was unanimously approved.
  - Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences
    - Cellular & Behavioral Neurobiology-Psychology Ph.D., program requirement change was unanimously approved.
    - German MA, inactivation was unanimously approved.
    - Business Administration MBA-German, dual program inactivation was unanimously approved.
    - Mathematics MS, program requirement change was unanimously approved.
    - Mathematics MA, program requirement change was unanimously approved.
    - Mathematics Ph.D., program requirement change was unanimously approved.
  - Gallogly College of Engineering
    - Chemical Engineering Ph.D., program requirement change was unanimously approved.
4. Graduate Faculty member-at-large appointment for Dr. Sturtevant was unanimously approved.
5. Senior Associate Dean Karr introduced a discussion on a proposed framework for a Multi-Disciplinary Master's Degree. The framework details the ability for a student to personalize

a degree track built on certificates or standalone coursework in two distinct disciplinary areas combined with a culminating experience. The proposal was discussed and will be brought back to the Council at a future meeting for formal consideration.

### Reports

There are no new reports from the OUHSC Graduate Council or OU Faculty Senate and no guests from the OUHSC Graduate Council were in attendance.

Dean Karr asked for volunteers to attend the OUHSC Graduate Council meetings and the OU Faculty Senate meetings. Volunteers can sign up online (see email from September 10, 2024) or contact the Graduate Council Secretary at [eirick@ou.edu](mailto:eirick@ou.edu).

*The following course modifications and proposals have been approved by the Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Provost's Office 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, Elizabeth Irick, at 405-325-3811, if you wish to review any of these materials.*

ACCT 5532. Change in intended audience, online.

ACCT 5533. Change in delivery, traditional, required hours update.

BIOL 4083. Change in course name, prerequisites, contract hours, change to GCode.

BIOL 4883. Change in course contract hours, credit and schedule type, lecture.

BIOL 5213. New course proposal.

BME 5023. New course proposal.

ECE 5303. Change in course name, description update.

ECON 6340. New course proposal.

HSTM 5001. New course proposal.

JMC 5433. Change in course name, description, semesters offered.

LIS 5153. Change in course number, slashlist, prerequisites for graduate standing.

PSY 6023. Change in name, expected enrollment.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 2, 2025.

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