# UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING January 17, 2018 MINUTES Farzaneh Hall, Room 142

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.

<u>Present:</u> Randall Hewes, James Sluss (present via video conference), Nancy LaGreca, Jennifer Kisamore (present via video conference), Oluwatobi Ajagbe, Mike Biggerstaff, Susan Burke, Shane Connelly, Natalie Daugherty, Tohren Kibbey, Susan Laird, Nina Livesey, Patrick McCann, Sanna Pederson, Mark Raymond, Zulfiquar Reza, Jeremiah Stinnett, Charles Warnken, John Quyen Wickham, Pradeep Yadav

**Absent:** Sally Beach, Lupe Davidson, Peter Gade, Phil Gibson

<u>Guests:</u> Laku Chidambaram, Dipankar Ghosh, Mike Ihnat (HSC), Matt Jensen, Chris Sadler, Al Schwarzkopf, Sara Vaughan

### **Description of General Business**

• The minutes from December 6, 2017 were unanimously approved.

#### **Program Modifications and Proposals**

- 1. ILAC MEd concentration requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 2. Civil Engineering PhD program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 3. Environmental Engineering PhD program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 4. Environmental Science PhD program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 5. Business Accelerated MBA with Industrial Systems Engineering BS program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 6. Business Accelerated MBA with Petroleum Engineering BS program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 7. Business Professional MBA program requirement change was unanimously approved.
- 8. Executive MBA in Energy new program proposal was unanimously approved.

#### **Subcommittee Reports**

Dr. Nancy LaGreca reported on the recent <u>Academic Program Review Committee</u> meetings:

- The committee will soon meet with department chairs who responded to the APR questions.
- A campus visit by external evaluators is upcoming for the Department of Biology.

Dr. Susan Burke provided the following information about the <u>Faculty Senate Meeting</u> on December 11, 2017:

- Vice President Jabar Shumate discussed the Diversity Council's report on a roadmap to greater diversity at OU.
- The senate discussed recent public comments made by OU Regent Kirk Humphreys, then crafted a statement in support of OU's LGBTQ community.

John Quyen Wickham attended the December 21, 2017 <u>HSC Graduate Council Meeting</u> and gave the following report:

- The Health Sciences Center Graduate College has a committee to assist departments with program review to:
  - o meet Regents' recommendations for reporting

- o make program reviews across the campus more consistent
- o streamline the process
- o provide institutional data
- o help programs with best practices
- The Graduate College would like to revisit efforts to make it easier for students to take courses across the HSC and Norman campuses, especially considering Norman's tuition and fee structure changes. Quyen Wickham (Norman campus) was asked to help facilitate this discussion.
- The College of Nursing is part of NEXus, a collaborative institutional program that allows students to take online courses from any of 17 member nursing programs.
- The appointment of adjuncts to serve on graduate committees who do not have teaching roles was discussed. Adjuncts may also assist in professional non-degree-granting programs.

## **Course Modifications and Proposals**

The following course modifications and proposals have been 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, Linda Kelly, at 325-3106, if you wish to review any of these materials.

AMGT 5030. Change in prerequisites, course description, credit hours, and times repeatable.

CNS 5403. Change in prerequisites and course description. Addition of slashlisting.

DRAM 4853. Change in title, prerequisites, and course description. Addition of graduate credit.

FIN 5362. Change in title and course description.

MIS 4313. Addition of graduate credit.

MIS 4363. Change in prerequisites. Addition of graduate credit.

MIS 4393. Change in prerequisites.

MIS 4433. Change in prerequisites. Addition of graduate credit.

MIS 4663. Change in prerequisites. Addition of graduate credit.

MIT 5772. Change in prerequisites and course description.

P E 5573. Change in course description and semester offered. Addition of slashlisting.

EDMA 5863. Course addition.

GEOG 5863. Course addition.

MGT 5101. Course addition.

MGT 5201. Course addition.

MIS 4013. Course addition.

CNS 5353. Course deletion.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. The next meeting will be February 7, 2018.

**DISTRIBUTION DATE**: January 19, 2018

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