

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**February 15, 2007**

The Graduate Council met February 15, 2007 at 1:00 PM in Room 104 Gillis Bldg. Dr. Blackwell presided.

**Members Present:** Dr. Joseph Brill  
Dr. Linda Chen  
Dr. Robin Cooper  
Carla Childers  
Dr. Dwight Denison  
Dr. Harald Hoebusch  
Dr. Xin Ma  
Dr. Christopher Schardl  
Dr. Susan Scollay  
Dr. Frank Scott  
Dr. Timothy Sineath  
Dr. William Smith

**Members Absent:** Dr. Peter Hislop  
Dr. James Hougland  
Dr. Robert Jensen  
Dr. Terry Malone  
Sarah B. Martin  
Dr. Richard Milich  
Dr. Dexter Speck  
Dr. William Witt

**HCCC Representative:** Dr. Pfeifle (absent)

**SC Representative:** Dr. Thelin

**Guests:** None

**Minutes** None

**Time Extensions** None

**Graduate Faculty Membership** None

**Policies** None

**Programs**

1. Drs. Sineath, Scott, and Scollay reported on the Change in Master of Science in Accounting and the two related courses ACC 507 Advanced Topics in Taxation, and ACC 617 Selected Topics in

Taxation. The motion was moved by Dr. Sineath, seconded by Dr. Cooper and unanimously approved with the stipulation that Dr. Blackwell contact the program for clarification of the dropped courses.

**Courses**

1. Dr. Denison reported on the change in AEC 662 Agricultural Economics it was moved by Dr. Denison seconded by Dr. Brill, and unanimously approved.
2. Dr. Brill reported on the new course BME 599 Topics in Biomedical Engineering. . It was moved by Dr. Brill, seconded by Dr. Scollay, and unanimously approved pending approval of EE 421G.
3. Dr. Brill reported on the course change for EE 422G Signals and Systems II. The motion was made by Dr. Brill seconded by Dr. Schardl and unanimously approved.
4. Dr. Brill reported on the new course EE 589 Advanced VLSI. The motion was made by Dr. Brill, seconded by Dr. Scott, and unanimously approved.

**Discussion**

Dr. Schardl informally raised the following questions regarding the composition of doctoral advisory committees for future discussion.

- I. On what basis should a committee member be considered to be inside or outside the student's program?
- II. Should we consider changes in requirements re number of members within and number of members outside of the student's program?
- III. If a committee member is at a different university, what should be the consequence in the overall number and makeup of the committee?

The Meeting adjourned: 1:55 p.m.

**Items passed by consent agenda:**

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Time Extensions for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

**New Graduate Faculty membership**

Das, Subodh K., Ph.D.	Materials Science and Engineering	ASSO
Elder, William G., Ph.D.	Psychology	FULL
Jennings Jr., C. Darrell, M.D.	Microbiology	FULL