

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
October 29, 2009

The Graduate Council met in Room 104 Gillis Bldg. Dr. Blackwell chaired the meeting.

Members Present

Prof. Janice Almasi
Prof. Doug Archbold
Prof. David Berry
Prof. Rebecca Dutch
Prof. John Erickson
Prof. Hazel Forsythe
Ms. Karen Gauthier
Prof. Anne Harrison
Prof. Robert Heath
Prof. Kim Miller
Ms. Angela Schoergendorfer
Prof. Brett Spear
Prof. Thomas Troland

Members Absent

Prof. Jonathan Allison
Prof. Nelson Fields
Prof. Janet Ford
Prof. Anita Lee-Post
Prof. Jim Pauly
Prof. Laura Stafford

Guest

None

1. Dr. Berry presented and made the motion to approve a new program, Ph.D. in Clinical and Translational Science. The motion was seconded by Dr. Miller and approved unanimously, with the following notes from the Graduate School:
 1. The program requests that the Graduate School waive the GRE requirement, since all students admitted to the new program are required to have a terminal professional doctoral degree (M.D., D.M.D., D.D.S., Pharm. D., D.O., D.N.P., D. Sc., or D. P.H.). The Graduate School regularly waives the requirement for those possessing such a terminal doctoral degree and will do so in this case.
 2. The program requests that the prior professional degree substitutes for 18 of the 36 credit hour prequalifying residency requirement. This request is approved given that it is consistent with the current practice of allowing an earned master's degree to satisfy 18 hours of this requirement and is also consistent with the amount of pre-qualifying credit given to M.D./Ph.D.

students that have completed the first two years of the medical school curriculum.

3. The Graduate School currently has a requirement that three of the four members of a doctoral advisory committee be from the student's doctoral program. However, the Graduate School waives this requirement frequently in the case of interdisciplinary degrees (such as Nutritional Sciences or the several programs in pharmacological sciences). A similar waiver to the three member rule will be given to CTS students when there is an argument to be made for an interdisciplinary committee.
2. Dr. Miller made the motion to reopen discussion on the previously tabled MS in Physician Assistant Studies proposal. Dr. Blackwell explained that the program recognizes that STA 291 is not equivalent to STA 570, however the students do not require knowledge of how to calculate statistics but rather they require a general understanding of statistics, the proper use of statistics in biomedical research, how to interpret research studies, human research design, epidemiology, evidence based medicine, how to effectively search the biomedical literature, and how to critique the research literature. They previously taught these skills in another PAS course, PAS 610 (Research Methods and Epidemiology in PA Studies), and they will maintain these topics within the curriculum. Dr. Miller made the motion to approve the program change. The motion was seconded by Dr. Berry and unanimously approved.
 3. Dr. Price presented a request to change the Application for Degree deadlines for graduate students. Dr. Spear made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Dr. Berry and approved unanimously.

New Graduate Faculty Members

Name	Program	Membership
Bowman, Shearer	History	FULL
Johnson, Ellis L., Ph.D.	Radiation Science	FULL
Mohney, David, AIA	Architecture	FULL
Wilhelm, Jennifer	Curriculum & Instruction	FULL
Soares, Neelkamal S., M.D.	Electrical Engineering	AUX
Bewley, Jeffrey M., Ph.D.	Animal Sciences	ASSO
Burmeister, Larry L., Ph.D.	Sociology	ASSO
Covington, Kate R., PhD	Musicology	ASSO
Fedewa, Alicia L.	Educational & Counseling Psychology	ASSO
Fisher, Molly H.	Curriculum & Instruction	ASSO
Mallozzi, Christine	Curriculum & Instruction	ASSO
Qiu, Meikang, Ph.D.	Electrical Engineering	ASSO
Rippetoe Freeman, Patricia E., Ph.D.	Pharmaceutical Sciences	ASSO

Rohrbacher, Gary P.	Architecture	ASSO
Rohrbacher, Gary P.	Historic Preservation	ASSO
Schnittka, Christine	Curriculum & Instruction	ASSO
Schroeder, Margaret J.	Curriculum & Instruction	ASSO
Smith, Kelly M., Pharm.D.	Pharmaceutical Sciences	ASSO
Swan, Kathleen, Ph.D.	Curriculum & Instruction	ASSO