



Executive Committee of The Graduate School
March 9th, 2022 3:00PM – 5:00PM – Meeting Minutes
Via WebEx Conference

Date: Wednesday, March 9th, 2022

Location: WebEx

Subject: Executive Committee (EC) of The Graduate School meeting minutes

Attendees: Mary Anne Amalaradjou, Kristin Bott, Abigail Campbell (Ex-Officio -- Secretary), Maria-Luz Fernandez, Mitchell Green, Kent Holsinger (Ex-Officio, Chair), Barbara Kream (Ex-Officio), Charles Mahoney, Etan Markus, Betsy McCoach, Kathy Segerson (Ex-Officio), Judith Thorpe, Penny Vlahos

Absent:

Guests: Bruce Blanchard, Laura Burton, Lauren Corso, Jose Cruz, Heather Elliot-Famularo, Xinxin Li, Kathleen Lynch, Kimberly Rollins, Farhed Shah, Michael Young

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:31pm.
2. Presentation and vote for past meeting minutes. A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes. The Executive Committee approved the meeting minutes as approved.
3. Announcements.
4. Change the name of an existing degree or certificate program (*21SALI-G9QSZX*) MFA in Digital Media and Design. Heather Elliot-Famulara presented the proposed change of an existing degree or certificate program within the Digital Media & Design Department within the School of Fine Arts. The proposed change is due to an accreditation issue with the “&” sign to be removed. The change should apply to both the MFA and the MA. (A separate GPAR will be submitted for the MA, but the proposal being considered is to change the name for both programs.) Only the name of the degree program is changing, not the department. A motion was made to pass the proposed change. The motion was seconded. The proposal passed unanimously.
5. Add a New Fast-Track Pathway (e.g., 4+1) for an Existing Degree Program (*22-ROLL-ONQR3Q*) MS in Applied and Resource Economics. Kimberly Rollins presented the new fast-track pathway for a 4+1 in Applied and Resource Economics. The fast-track would include two of the master’s fast track courses. Change allows students to have credits for technical paper or thesis started by the summer, and could complete the MS in one year post-undergraduate career. A motion was made to pass the proposed change. The motion was seconded. The proposal passed unanimously conditional on working with department

head to clarify language and reduce confusion.

6. Presented for consideration and voting – *Add/Create New Degree or Certificate Program (22-BLAN-J69N2R)* Medical Laboratory Sciences Applied Clinical Theory (ACT). Bruce Blanchard and Lauren Corso presented the proposal to add a new Medical Laboratory Sciences Applied Clinical Theory (ACT) course in the Allied Health Sciences department of the College of Agriculture, Health, & Natural Resources. The certificate would provide clinical theory experience for Allied Health students similar to courses offered in medical, dental, etc. school. The name moving forward would be Clinical Laboratory Medicine. The Executive Committee raised concerns about the proposal and agreed to table the motion to approve the program at this point.
7. Presented for consideration and voting – *Change the name of existing area(s) of concentration (21-YOUN-GRGAI1F)* Cognition Instruction and Learning Technology. Michael Young and Kathleen Lynch presented the proposal to change the name of an existing area of concentration in the Educational Psychology department in the NEAG School of Education. The department is asking to change their name from Cognition Instruction and Learning Technology to Learning Sciences in an attempt to pursue higher quality graduates who seek the Learning Sciences title. The acronym should be change to “LS” if technology should not be included. A motion was made to pass the proposed change. The motion was seconded. The proposal was passed unanimously conditional on some language modification regarding the 6th year program in GPAR.
8. Presented for consideration and voting – *Add a New Area of Concentration MSBAPM (21-VAIT-GXTGOG)* MS in Business Analytics and Project Management. Xinxin Li and Jose Cruz presented the proposal to add a new area of concentration to the BAPM program in the Operations & Information Management department within the School of Business. A motion was made to pass the proposed change. The motion was seconded. The proposal was passed unanimously.
9. Presented for consideration and voting – *Add/Create New Degree or Certificate Program (20-BURT-DR7612)* Emerging Women’s Leadership Graduate Certificate. Laura Burton presented the proposal to add a new graduate certificate program to the Educational Leadership department of the NEAG School of Education. Additional clarity regarding internal applicants and if the certificate program is available to them needs to be presented. The Executive Committee raised concerns about the proposal and would like the program to address some of the questions raised. The Committee agreed to table the motion to approve the program at this point.
10. Report/discussion items from the Dean
 - a. Graduate Assistants Union reached final tentative agreement.
 - b. GRAD Internship Course – discussion of this was postponed until the next meeting.
11. Wednesday March 9th, 2022, meeting of the Executive Committee was adjourned at 5:03pm.