

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
WEB VERSION
November 15, 2012**

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Fred Meine	X	
Carolyn Russell		X*	Diane Orlofsky		X*
Lynn Boyd (Vtel)	X		William Heisler (Vtel)	X	
Andrew Creamer	X		Patsy Riley (Vtel)	X	
Dianne Eppler (Vtel)	X		Robert Saunders (telephone)	X	
Diane Bandow (Vtel)	X		Rolf Holtz		X
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Isabelle Warren		X
Charles Krupnick	X		Murray Widener		X*
Christina Martin	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	X	
Irem Ozkarahan		X	Dr. Janet McNellis, ex officio	X	

X*--absent with notice **attending as proxy for member

GUESTS: Ms. Janet Gaston, Dr. Maryjo Cochran, Ms. Wendy Broyles, Dr. Dianne Gossett, Dr. Dionne Rosser-Mims, Dr. Glenn Cohen, Mr. Robert Allen, Ms. Abby Peters, Dr. Jan Oliver, Dr. Ed Merkel, Dr. Bob Wheatley, Mr. Jerry Johnson

I. Call to Order

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Krupnick moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

III. Approval of Minutes (to include the Web Version) of October 18, 2012

Dr. Martin motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Krupnick seconded. The motion was approved.

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Barron asked the council to vote on having a Graduate Academic Council meeting in December to consider some catalog items and materials that need to be sent to ACHE. The committee voted to meet on December 13, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference room of Patterson Hall.

V. Business Items

College of Arts and Sciences

**1. New program proposal – Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences – Fall 2013
(Troy campus)**

Dr. Cohen presented a proposal for a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences degree program. Dr. Cohen worked with Gary Watson, the Associate Dean of Academics of the Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, to develop a curriculum to meet the needs of students who want to apply to the College of Osteopathic Medicine. Our students would have a good chance of getting accepted into their program if they first complete a high quality masters program at TROY. These courses would also help prepare students for national professional exams and for entry into other medical schools. The College of Osteopathic Medicine will teach one of the courses in the program.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Creamer motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

2. New certificate proposal – Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Sciences – Fall 2013 (Troy campus)

Glenn Cohn presented a proposal for a Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Sciences. Many students who want to go to professional medical schools need to improve their academic background before they can be admitted. This certificate program will help prepare students for national professional exams and for entry into medical schools.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Business

3. Student #1 – Extension of eight-year waiver

MSM student requesting an extension (3.3 GPA). Dr. Merkel presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the Sorrell College of Business' academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended denial of the extension. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Eppler motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

It was also noted that the student should be informed that he could apply for another extension of the eight-year rule in Term 5, 2013 and that he could switch over to the new MSM 10-course program but would then also have to take BUS 5501 and BUS 5502.

College of Communication and Fine Arts

4. New program proposal – Master of Science in Art and Design Management – Fall 2013 (eTROY)

Dr. Johnson presented on the proposal for a Master of Science in Art and Design Management degree program. They sent out surveys and 200 people responded. Approximately 67% said they would be interested in an art and design management program. There is nothing similar to this program in the state. This program will only be offered online.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Martin motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Education

5. Student #2 – Extension of eight-year waiver

Master of Education- Instructional Technology student requesting an extension (3.41 GPA). Dr. Barron presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Education academic review committee had tabled the request but they agreed to bring it to the Graduate Academic Council for review. Following a brief discussion, the council decided to table this request until the student could work with Dr. Rosser Mims in order to make sure she is on the track to graduate and to compile a list of courses left to take. The council decided to re-visit this case in the December Graduate Council meeting after Dr. Rosser- Mims had a chance to meet with the student.

6. Student #3 – Extension of eight-year waiver

Master of Education- Instructional Technology student requesting an extension (3.66 GPA). Dr. Gossett presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Education academic review committee had tabled the request but they agreed to bring it to the Graduate Academic Council for review. Following a brief discussion, the council decided to table the request until the student has met with an advisor. The council decided they would revisit this case at the December Graduate Council meeting.

7. Student #4 – Extension of eight-year waiver

MSCP – Social Services student requesting an extension (2.75 GPA). Dr. Boyd presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Education academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension with the stipulations that she complete the curriculum by December 31, 2013. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Eppler motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

8. Proposed changes to the graduate Counseling and Psychology course descriptions

Dr. Boyd presented the proposal to make changes to the graduate counseling and psychology course descriptions. She wanted to remove 3 pre-requisites from three courses: CP 6610, CP 6642, and CP 6649 because it was not adding to the students' knowledge and thus the prerequisites were frequently being waived.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Creamer motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

9. Proposed closure of MS Postsecondary Education program

Dr. Gossett and Dr. Rosser-Mims presented on the proposed closure of the Master of Science in Postsecondary Education degree program. They have revised their Adult Education program which is similar to the MSPSE that they are closing. They are moving the TESOL concentration into the Adult Education program. Procedures are in place to notify all faculty and students of the program closing.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

10. Proposed transfer of TESOL Concentration to MS Adult Education program

Dr. Gossett presented a proposal to transfer the TESOL concentration to the Adult Education program. The TESOL concentration is only offered on the Troy campus. The courses would remain the same, and this change will still fulfill the contract we have with PUSAN in Korea which allows students to transfer 12 hours of TESOL courses into a degree program.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Krupnick motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

11. Proposed closure of MS Educational Administration and Leadership program

Dr. Rosser-Mims presented on the proposed closure of the Master of Science in Educational Administration and Leadership program. She stated that this particular program is only offered in two locations and there is very low enrollment. They would like to close this program because it is not a thriving program any more.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Heisler seconded. The motion was approved.

12. Proposed changes to Addictions Counseling Graduate Certificate program and migration to Dothan campus**a. Admissions for Post-Masters Certificate**

Dr. Eddie Clark presented a proposal to make changes to the Addictions Counseling Graduate Certificate program. They want to add a post-masters certificate option and to students who already have a Masters degree in Counseling from a regionally accredited university. These students would have to have completed a 48 semester hour curriculum that includes a practicum and an internship. The program will be offered on the Montgomery campus and online.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Martin motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bandow seconded. The motion was approved.

b. Migrate Certificate Program to Dothan campus

Dr. Eddie Clark presented a proposal to migrate the Graduate Certificate in Addictions Counseling program to the Dothan campus.

Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bandow motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Boyd and Dr. Miene seconded. The motion was approved.

Information Items:

13. MS SFM – Columbus, GA/Ft. Benning closure
14. Norfolk, VA downgrade and teach out
15. San Antonio, TX downgrade and teach out
16. Marianna, FL SACS approval teach out
17. Columbus, GA/Ft. Benning SACS approval
18. Ft. Bragg closure
19. Marianna, FL notification teach out

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m. The next meeting will be held on December 13, 2013 in the Conference room of Patterson Hall at 1:30 p.m.