

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**(Web Version)**  
**December 15, 2011**

**MEMBERS:**

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Fred Meine	X	
Rhonda Bowron		X*	Diane Orlofsky	X	
Lynn Boyd (telephone)	X		Irem Ozkarahan		X
Andrew Creamer	X		Patsy Riley (vtel)	X	
Dianne Eppler (vtel)	X		Robert Saunders (telephone)	X	
Mark Gaddis (vtel)	X		Jim Simpson (vtel)	X	
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Isabelle Warren	X	
Charles Krupnick	X		Murray Widener (vtel)	X	
Christina Martin (telephone)	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	X	
Dabney McKenzie (vtel)	X		Dr. Janet McNellis, ex officio	X	

X\*--absent with notice

GUESTS: Dr. Jeff Lee, Dr. Jim Rinehart, Dr. Lance Tatum, Dr. Judson Edwards, Dr. Alan Wright, Dr. Hank Finley, Dr. Lesa Shepherd, Wendy Broyles, Dr. Bill Heisler

**I. Call to Order**

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

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

**III. Approval of Minutes (to include the Web Version) of November 17, 2011**

Dr. Meine motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Warren seconded. The motion was approved.

**IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School**

Dr. Barron reminded those present that absolute last date to have any curriculum changes and/or proposals turned in so that they would make the January agenda would be January 12, 2012.

**V. Business Items**

College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Rinehart addressed the council and advised that the College of Arts and Sciences had received and reviewed three cases concerning admission from a non-regionally accredited institution. He stated that the each and every case was carefully considered individually. The College of Arts and Sciences looked at certain criteria, to include the academic rigor of the institution, course descriptions, syllabi, as well as the percentage of full-time faculty teaching in the major and the faculty credentials. He advised that several hours of investigation and consideration had been given to each individual case.

1. Student #1—Request for Admission from a Non-Regionally Accredited Institution

Dr. Lee presented the applicants request for admission. Dr. Lee presented a graduate faculty member's summary of findings. An extensive review was made of the curriculum, courses offered by full-time faculty and credentials of faculty teaching within the Criminal Justice major at the institution. He advised the council that the review committee did not support admission for this applicant based on their findings. Following a discussion, Dr. Orlofsky

motioned to support the recommendation of the College of Arts and Sciences and to deny admission. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved to deny admission.

2. Student #2—Request for Admission from a Non-Regionally Accredited Institution  
Dr. Lee presented the applicants request for admission. Dr. Lee presented a graduate faculty member's summary of findings. An extensive review was made of the curriculum, courses offered by full-time faculty and credentials of faculty teaching within the Criminal Justice major at the institution. He advised the council that the review committee did not support admission for this applicant based on their findings. Following a discussion, Dr. Creamer motioned to support the recommendation of the College of Arts and Sciences and deny admission. Dr. Warren seconded. The vote was six to support the College of Arts and Sciences. A vote was called. Six voted to deny the request, five opposed, with two abstentions. The motion was approved to deny admission.
3. Student #3 – Request for an Extension of the Eight-year Rule  
Dr. Krupnick presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year rule. He advised that the College of Arts and Sciences academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension with the stipulation that she complete the entire comprehensive examination. After a short discussion, Dr. Meine motioned for an approval with a completion date of May 31, 2012. Dr. Creamer seconded the motion. Motion was approved.
4. Student #4—Request for Admission from a Non-Regionally Accredited Institution  
Dr. Lee presented the applicants request for admission. Dr. Lee gave an overview of the consideration that the College of Arts and Sciences had given to the request. He advised the council that the review committee did not support admission for this applicant. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to support the College of Arts and Sciences and deny admission. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved to deny admission.
5. Student #5—Request for an Extension of the Eight-year Rule  
Dr. Lee presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year rule. He advised that the College of Arts and Sciences academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension with the stipulation that she complete all requirements by December 31, 2012. After a short discussion, Dr. Meine motioned for approval. Dr. Creamer seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

#### Sorrell College of Business

1. Proposal for an International Master of Business Administration degree program  
Dr. Edwards presented the SCOB's proposal to offer an International Master of Business Administration degree at the Troy Campus only. He gave the council a full overview of the program and answered all questions brought forward. Following a short discussion, Dr. Orlofsky motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Krupnick seconded the motion. Proposal was approved.
2. Proposal for revisions to the Master of Science in Management degree program  
Dr. Edwards presented the SCOBs proposal for revisions to the Master of Science in Management degree program. He stated that the changes were necessary to align with

AACSB accreditation. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Warren motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Meine seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

3. Student #6 —Request for Extension of the Eight-year Rule

Dr. Edwards presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year rule. He advised that the SCOB's academic review committee had reviewed the request and had recommended approval with the stipulation that all degree requirements be completed by July 31, 2012. After a short discussion, Dr. Krupnick motioned to approve the request. Dr. Creamer seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

College of Education

1. Proposal for a Master of Science in Second Language Acquisition degree program

Dr. Tatum presented the College of Education's proposal to offer a Master of Science in Second Language Acquisition degree program. He gave an overview of the program and answered all questions the council brought forward. Following a short discussion, Dr. Orlofsky motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Warren seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

2. Proposal to align objectives in the Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology program, School Counseling concentration with CACREP accreditation standards

Dr. Creamer presented the COE's proposal to align objectives in the Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology, School Counseling concentration with CACREP accreditation standards. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to accept the College of Education's recommendation and approve the request. Dr. Warren seconded the motion. Proposal was approved.

3. Proposal for an Addiction Certificate for the Counseling and Psychology degree program

Dr. Creamer presented the COE's proposal to offer an Addiction Certification for the Counseling and Psychology degree program. To be eligible for the certification, the student must complete the Master of Counseling and Psychology program and additional coursework as outlined. Following a short discussion, Dr. Warren motioned to approve the proposal. Dr. Krupnick seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

4. Student #7 – Request for an Extension of the Eight-year Rule

Dr. Creamer presented the students' request for an extension of the eight-year rule. He advised that the College of Education's academic review committee had recommended an approval of the request with a completion date of December 31, 2011. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to accept the request. Dr. Eppler seconded the motion. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Council is January 19, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in Patterson Hall, room 330.