

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES  
WEB VERSION  
March 20, 2014**

**MEMBERS:**

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Christina Martin (Chair)	X		Diane Orlofsky	X**	
Diane Bandow (Vtel)	X		Irem Ozkarahan (telephone)	X	
Dianne Eppler (telephone)	X		Patsy Riley	X	
Joy Hadwiger (telephone)	X		Kristie Roberts-Lewis		X*
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Dionne Rosser-Mims		X*
Jonathan Harrington	X		Carolyn Russell		X*
William Heisler (telephone)	X		Mary Anne Templeton	X**	
Rolf Holtz	X**		Isabelle Warren	X	
Maria Kroneneburg (telephone)	X				
Fred Meine (vtel)	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	X	

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

Dr. Rhonda Bowron\*\*, Dr. Jan Oliver\*\*, Mr. Mike Orlofsky\*\*, Ms. Janet Gaston, Dr. Bob Wheatley, Ms. Tamara Jones and Ms. Danielle Pankey

**I. Call to Order**

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

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Dr. Bowron moved to approve the modified agenda removing item #3. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

**III. Approval of the February 20, 2014 Minutes (to include the Web Version).**

Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

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

We are currently developing a template for use in posting comprehensive exams or other proctored exams in a Blackboard environment. The template exams will be shared with deans and department chairs to critique. We are hopeful for a summer 2014 trial. Additionally, the IRB will be working on developing short training videos to assist faculty and students preparations of research review documents.

**V. Business Items**

**NOTE: Policy changes, curriculum changes, etc. approved by the council are effective the following academic year unless otherwise indicated**

Sorrell College of Business

**1. Student #1– Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSM)**

Master of Science in Management student requesting an extension and has a (3.33 GPA). Dr. Wheatley 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 approval of the extension until July 31, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

**2. Student #2– Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSHRM)**

Master of Science in Human Resource Management student requesting an extension and has a (3.40 GPA). Dr. Wheatley 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 approval of the extension until October 31, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Warren seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Health and Human Services**3. MSW added to TROY Honors Graduate Admission Program**

Dr. Martin presented a request for the addition of the Master of Science in Social Work to the TROY Graduate Honors Admission program. The program will accept students from all baccalaureate degree programs who have earned a 3.4 or higher cumulative GPA upon graduation from Troy University. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Warren motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

**4. NSG 6639 Course Title Change**

Dr. Riley presented a request to change the title for NSG 6639 from "Advanced Adult/Gerontology Care III Preceptorship to "Advanced Adult/Gerontology Care III Internship." Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

**5. Student #3—Acceptance of degree from an Otherwise Accredited Baccalaureate (MSN)**

Dr. Riley presented a student's request to apply for admission to the Graduate School and to the Master of Science in Nursing program from an unaccredited baccalaureate program. She advised that the College of Health and Human Services academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended the student be allowed to apply for admission to the Graduate School as well as to the MSN program. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Riley motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

**6. Deactivate MSN-CNS Track**

Dr. Riley presented a request to deactivate the MSN-CNS Track program and to remove this program from the *2014-2015 Graduate Catalog*. The College of Health and Human Services would like to retain the option with ACHE to reactivate the program without having to get a "new" program approved within the allowed five year period from the deactivation date. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Warren seconded. The motion was approved.

**7. Ph.D in Sport Management Modifications**

- a. Dr. Martin presented a request to update the Ph.D in Sport Management program. The deletion of the accreditation section from the catalog.
- b. Update the GRE scores. The current GRE scores listed are based on the old exam. Would like to keep old GRE score range and add the new GRE score range. Change GRE Score section under requirements to "Submission of GRE score (verbal and quantitative): Students scoring 297 or higher on the GRE (verbal and quantitative) will be given full consideration for admittance into the Doctoral program. Students scoring below 297 on the GRE may be required to (in addition to other admission requirements) interview with the Doctoral Admission Committee prior to full consideration of admittance into the program.

- c. Modification of the Doctoral Admission Committee so students that are admitted into the program will only be assigned one primary research advisor.
- d. The addition of a Dissertation Committee in which each student in the program will select a Dissertation Committee. The Dissertation Committee should be comprised of a minimum of four members of which three should be faculty members in the School of Hospitality, Sport and Tourism Management.
- e. Modification of Admission to Doctoral Candidacy section on bullet point 2 the deletion of “preliminary” and replace with “comprehensive”. Clarification was need so students would know that it was in fact the comprehensive exam and to eliminate any confusion that might occur. Also the deletion of “all residency requirements” and change to “new student orientation” on bullet point 5. These modifications do not require students to have residency requirements in the program but will require students to complete a new student orientation.
- f. The modification of Other Requirements section to include the deletion of course numbers for Qualifying Exam, Preliminary Exam, and Dissertation Defense. Change “Preliminary Exam” to “Comprehensive Exam”. With the stated changes the section should read, “Doctoral students are required to successfully pass the Qualifying Exam and Comprehensive Exam with a score of 80% or higher. The Qualifying Exam should be taken during the semester after successful completion of 18 hours of the doctoral core. Students should take the Comprehensive Exam during their last semester of coursework. Students are also required to successfully defend their dissertation.”

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

#### College of Arts and Science

##### **8. CJ 6690 Change in Course Description**

Ms. Gaston presented a request to change the course description for CJ 6690 to add that student’s must earn a grade of “B” or better in the course. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

##### **9. MPA Modifications**

- a. Dr. Harrington a request to update the MPA program. Change the mission statement to read, “The mission of Troy University’s Master of Public Administration program is to strengthen the quality of public service by facilitating learning, promoting scholarship, improving practice, and engaging in public service. The program strives to develop graduates who bring to the public work force the intellectual acuity, ethical commitment, and professional competence to effectively serve the public interest.”
- b. Update section regarding delivery locations and formats for the MPA program to say, “The MPA degree program is offered at the Global Campus site in Atlanta, through online courses, and at the Troy Campus.”
- c. Under Public Human Resource Management section in the Graduate Catalog, the following statement has been changed to, “Students must take PA 6624 prior to taking PA 6604 or PA 6643.”
- d. The Graduate Certificate in Government Contracting placement in the Graduate Catalog has been changed to page 39.

- e. Change in course description for PA 6603 Economics for Public Management to read, “An introduction to economic theory emphasizing the application of selected micro-economic and macro-economic theories to issues in public administration.
- f. Change in course description for PA 6622 Public Policy to read, “An overview of the theoretical orientations underlying the public policy process and the conceptual framework for differentiating types of public policies. Students examine current issues and policies from various theoretical and practical perspectives.”
- g. Change in course description for PA 6631 Program Evaluation to read, “An overview of the theoretical foundations and techniques of program evaluation including need assessments, outcome evaluations, surveys, program outcomes, and impact evaluations(s). Prerequisite: PA 6601.”
- h. Change in course description for PA 6646 Organizational Behavior to read, “A study of the various theoretical perspectives that help to explain complex organizational behavior in public and nonprofit organizations in global environment.”
- i. Change in course description for PA 6694 Internship to read, “A practical learning experience in a public or nonprofit organization that includes a written paper analyzing a problem pertinent to the student’s concentration. Grade is Pass/Fail.

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

**Information Items:**

- 10. MSW - SACSCOC Letter of Approval

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m. The next meeting will be held on April 17, 2014 in the Conference room of Patterson Hall (room 330) at 1:30 p.m.