

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
WEB VERSION
April 17, 2014

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Christina Martin (Chair)	X		Diane Orlofsky		X*
Diane Bandow (Vtel)	X		Irem Ozkarahan		X
Dianne Eppler (telephone)	X		Patsy Riley	X	
Joy Hadwiger (telephone)	X		Kristie Roberts-Lewis (telephone)	X	
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Dionne Rosser-Mims (vtel)	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. Jan Oliver**, Dr. James Ortega, Ms. Janet Gaston, Dr. Annette Allen and Dr. Bob Wheatley

I. Call to Order

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

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Harrington moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

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

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

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Research showcase was a success. College reports will be made at the next Research Council meeting. The Graduate Catalog preparation is going well. The 2014-2015 Catalogs should be available online by early May.

V. Business Items

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

College of Arts and Sciences

1. Student #1— Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSCJ)

Master of Science in Criminal Justice student requesting an extension and has a (3.5GPA). Dr. Hadwiger presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Arts and Sciences academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension until October 15, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

2. Student #2— Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSCJ)

Master of Science in Criminal Justice student requesting an extension and has a (3.4GPA). Dr. Hadwiger presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. She advised that the College of Arts and Sciences academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension until October 15, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Rosser-Mims seconded and one abstained. The motion was approved.

3. Student #3— Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSIR)

Master of Science in International Relations student requesting an extension and has a (3.7GPA). Dr. Harrington presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He advised that the College of Arts and Sciences academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension until May 8, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

It was noted that the student would have to retake POL 6620 (now IR 6620) International Policy Economy and recommended that the student audit IR 5524 to support the successful completion of the comprehensive examination degree requirement and to do so by the approved extension date.

4. Criminal Justice Curriculum Modifications

Ms. Gaston presented a request to update the Criminal Justice curriculum in the Graduate Catalog to reflect prior changes and other updates that were made. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

5. Master of Social Science Curriculum Modifications

Dr. Annette Allen presented a request to update the Social Science Curriculum to update the mission statement and degree options section. Updated the acceptable test scores for unconditional admission to include GRE 850 combined (old) or 290 combined (new), MAT 385 or GMAT 380. In degree options removed the research paper. Both thesis and non-thesis will be 36SH programs. Also made changes in the approval process section under Thesis Option which now states students must complete 9SH of graduate level core courses, 6SH of thesis classes and 21SH of electives. Changes to the Non-thesis Option states students must complete 9SH of graduate level core courses and 27SH of electives. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

Sorrell College of Business**6. Student #4– Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MBA)**

Master of Business Administration student requesting an extension and has a (2.8GPA). Dr. Heisler 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 March 15, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

7. Student #5– Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSM)

Master of Science in Management student requesting an extension and has a (3.0GPA). Dr. Heisler 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 December 10, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

8. Graduate Business Curriculum Modifications

- a. Dr. Wheatley presented a request to update the Sorrell College of Business graduate curriculum.
- b. It was requested to update the Master of Accountancy mission statement.
- c. It was requested to update the location chart to reflect the changes made.
- d. All certificate students must be admitted to the Graduate School and meet Master of Business Administration (MBA) program admissions in order to qualify for the Certificate.

- e. It was requested to update the New Business Foundation Requirement language to update foundation modules, ETS MFT test out provision, and courses equivalent in content and quality statement.
- f. It was requested to add some language to the MBA-Executive to include Cohort Only Program in the title and The MBA Executive is only available as a cohort based delivery program as approved by the Dean of the Sorrell College of Business.
- g. The MSHRM and MSM Curriculum language was updated to reflect HRM 6623 title change to Training and Development of Human Resources and add in the MSHRM Program (33s/h): students without undergraduate business degree within 8 years of enrolling. Also add in MSHRM Program (30s/h): students with undergraduate business degrees within 8 years of enrolling. BUS 6600 is now a required “B” or better course.
- h. The removal of the accreditation statement for the Master of Accountancy, Graduate Certificate of Taxation and Graduate Certificate of Health Practice Management.
- i. The addition of new admission language to the Graduate Certificate of Health Practice Management that says, “Please consult the Graduate Program Admission Classifications section for additional information” and the addition of BUS 6660 as a course requirement.
- j. The addition of M.Acc, MBA (all options), MSHRM, and MSM graduate degree programs to the TROY Honors Graduate Admission section. M.Acc will only take undergraduate degrees in accounting. MSM, MSHRM, MBA (all options) will take undergraduate degrees in business administration or accounting.

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

College of Health and Human Services

9. Student #6— Extension of Five-Year Requirement (MSN)

Master of Nursing student requesting an extension of the five-year waiver (3.8GPA). Dr. Riley presented the student’s request. She advised that the College of Health and Human Services academic review committee had reviewed the request and recommended approval of the extension of the transfer credit until May 8, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

10. Deactivation of Nursing Informatics Specialist Post Masters Certificate

Dr. Riley presented a request to deactivate the Nursing Informatics Specialist Post Masters Certificate Option and to remove this certificate 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. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

11. Deactivation of Clinical Nurse Specialist Track for BSN-DNP

Dr. Riley presented a request to deactivate the BSN-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. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Education**12. Student #7—Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSCP-Social Services)**

Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology— Social Services student requesting an extension and currently has a (3.3GPA). Dr. Oliver 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 until May 31, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Rosser-Mims motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Eppler seconded. The motion was approved.

13. Student #8— Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSPSE)

Master of Science in Post-Secondary Education—student requesting an extension and currently has a (3.2GPA).Dr. Oliver 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 until May 8, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Heisler motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Oliver seconded. The motion was approved.

14. Addition of Statement and Prerequisite to CP 6650

Dr. Oliver presented a request to add a statement and a prerequisite for CP 6650. The new statement would read "Prerequisites: Permission of Instructor and department chair required. CP 6610, CP 6642 & CP 6649 are required for all students prior to enrollment in practicum course. Students enrolled in Clinical Mental Health Counseling are required to successfully complete PSY 6669 & PSY 6670 prior to practicum. Students enrolled in rehabilitation Counseling are required to successfully complete CP 6652 prior to practicum. Students enrolled in School Counseling are required to successfully complete CP 6641 prior to practicum." These changes to the statement give students clarification on courses that need to be taken prior to practicum and separate what is required by each degree program. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Heisler seconded. The motion was approved.

15. Graduate School - General Regulations

Dr. Bandow noted that the language as stated in the current Graduate Catalog required students to have letters of support from faculty members. At times it is impossible for a student to get letters of support. This requirement, as stated, is creating faculty concerns that they must comply with this requirement as they review student readmission request. Dr. Bandow recommended that the wording be amended to remove language that would "require" to "encourage" letters of support. The following change will be made to the 2014-15 Graduate Catalog:

Note: Student petitions for readmission must be documented, circumstances verified by the appropriate academic official at each location, as a letter recommending support on non-support **should** accompany the packet before the Dean of the Graduate School will present the petition to the respective Academic Dean(s).

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

Information Items:

16. ACHE Approval—Ph.D in Sport Management, MA in Economics and MSSLI
17. Ph.D in Sport Management— SACSCOC Letter of Notification
18. MA in History— SACSCOC Letter of Notification

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held on May 15, 2014 in the Conference room of Patterson Hall (room 330) at 1:30 p.m.