

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
WEB VERSION
January 23, 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 (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	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio	x	

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

Dr. Rhonda Bowron**, Dr. Jan Oliver**, Ms. Wendy Broyles, Mr. Wade Forehand, Ms. Janet Gaston, Dr. Amy Spurlock, Dr. John Miller, Dr. Bob Wheatley, Dr. Denise Green, Ms. Donna Sanders and Dr. Diane Weed

I. Call to Order

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

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Meine moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

III. Approval of the November 21, 2013 Minutes (to include the Web Version).

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

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

The last curriculum changes for the 2014-2015 Graduate Catalog will be accepted for the February Graduate Council meeting. Please advise your department chairs of the February cut-off date. The research showcase is scheduled for April. Additional information will be forthcoming through the college dean's office shortly. Colleges should be establishing committees to determine project submission criteria, how the selected projects will be displayed and who will determine the top three research projects for undergraduate and graduate students.

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 Science

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

Master of Public Administration student requesting an extension and has a (3.8GPA). 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 July 31, 2014. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

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

Master of Public Administration student requesting an extension and has a (3.1GPA). 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 denial of the extension. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. 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 (4.0GPA). 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 31, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

It was noted that the student would have to retake IR 6620 International Policy Economy and IR 5551 Survey of International Relations including successful completion of the comprehensive examination by the approved extension time. It is highly recommended that the student retake IR 6652 Theory and Ideology but not required.

4. Student #4 – Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSIR)

Master of Science in International Relations student requesting an extension and has a (3.6GPA). 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 July 31, 2015. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. The motion was approved.

5. Removal of Prerequisite from PA 6605 and PA 6606

Dr. Harrington presented a request for the removal of current prerequisite from PA 6605 Training and Development and PA 6606 Issues in Managing the Public Workforce. The faculty did an evaluation and have found that PA 6624 Public Human Resources is not a needed prerequisite and has no effect on students being successful in those courses. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Harrington motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

6. Trojan Web Express Evaluation Modification for MPA

Dr. Harrington presented a request to modify the current MPA Program Requirements/ Student Evaluation that is available on Trojan Web Express. The program's core requirements are subdivided into four "groups". While all four groups are shown at the top for the core course section, the MPA faculty would like to see the courses required in each group displayed again with each individual group. In Group 2, a student has the option of taking either PA 6620 Organizational Theory or PA 6646 Organizational Behavior; please display these two courses in the Group 2 section. In Group 4, a student has the option of taking either PA 6603 Economics for Public Management or PA 6631 Program Evaluation; please display these courses in the Group 4 section. These requests to display all courses within an option again within each group have not altered the program curriculum. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

7. Deactivate BIO 6602 and BIO L602

Ms. Janet Gaston presented a request to deactivate BIO 6602 Human Pathophysiology and BIO L602 Human Pathophysiology Lab. This course in conjunction with the lab has not been taught in several years due to not having a full-time faculty member to teach the course. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

8. Curriculum Modification to the MSCJ Program

Ms. Janet Gaston presented a request to modify the MSCJ program. The faculty has recommended several changes to the existing MSCJ program. The courses CJ 66XX Ethics in Criminal Justice Organizations and CJ 66XX Capstone in Criminal Justice were added to the curriculum. The CJ 5571 Probation, Pardons, and Parole was deleted from the curriculum. The courses CJ 6650 Survey of Research Methods in Criminal Justice, CJ 6694 Thesis Practicum and CJ 6695 Thesis had changes to their course descriptions. To the non-thesis option CJ 66XX Capstone in Criminal Justice is now a required course. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. The motion was approved.

9. Revision of Course Descriptions for MTH 5512, MTH 5520 and MTH 5541

Ms. Janet Gaston presented a request to update some course descriptions, title changes, and prerequisite changes for the Mathematics program. Mathematics section of the graduate catalog added a note which states "Multivariable calculus and a course in proof techniques or its equivalent or permission by the Chair of the Department of Mathematics are required prerequisites for all graduate mathematics courses". Change the course description for MTH 5512 Discrete Mathematics. An updated course description and title change for MTH 5520 Graph Theory. The prerequisite would now read permission of the instructor. The removal of two prerequisite courses MTH 2227 and MTH 3318 from MTH 5541 Abstract Algebra 1. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. The motion was approved.

Sorrell College of Business**10. Student #5– Extension of Eight-Year Requirement (MSHRM)**

Master of Science in Human Resource Management student requesting an extension and has a (2.8 GPA). Dr. Wheatley presented the student's request for an extension of the eight-year waiver. He explained 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. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

11. Graduate Business Curriculum Proposal

Dr. Wheatley presented a request to remove the current (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) Master of Business Administration program from the 2014-2015 Graduate Catalog and to remove the current (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program from the 2014-2015 Graduate Catalog as they are currently presented. With the exception of the MBAi, MSHRM and MSM degree program all remaining graduate business programs (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) will remain as they currently are structured for the 2014-2015 Graduate Catalog. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Hannay seconded. The motion was approved.

a. Curriculum Modifications to the MBAI

Dr. Wheatley presented a request to retain the current (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) Master of Business Administration- International (MBAi) program but with the changes described in the attached MBA document. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Hannay seconded. The motion was approved.

b. Curriculum Modifications to the MSHRM

Dr. Wheatley presented a request to retain the current (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) Master of Science in Human Resource Management (MSHRM) program but with the changes described in the attached MSHRM document. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. The motion was approved.

c. Curriculum Modifications to the MSM

Dr. Wheatley presented a request to retain the current (2013-2014 Graduate Catalog) Master of Science in Management (MSM) program but with the changes described in the attached MSM document. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Health and Human Services**12. Curriculum Modifications to the MSW Graduate Program**

Dr. Green presented a request to update the MSW Curriculum. There were a few texts and wording updates throughout the program. Only want a conditional admission which is for students who have low GRE or MAT test scores. Updating some courses titles and the removal of several electives courses and the addition of new electives. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Riley seconded. The motion was approved.

13. Addition of Prerequisite to SFM 6680, SFM 6681 and SFM 6682

Dr. Martin presented a request for the addition of prerequisites to SFM 6680, SFM 6681 and SFM 6682 courses. The prerequisite would require students to obtain permission of the instructor before registering for these courses. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

14. Revision of Course Description for NSG 6655

Dr. Riley presented a request to revise the course description for NSG 6655 Synthesis and Evaluation of Advanced Nursing Practice and to add a corequisite which is NSG 6697. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

15. MSN Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist Track Changes

Dr. Riley presented a request to update the MSN Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist Track to align with the accrediting agencies. The course descriptions and titles for NSG 6620, NSG 6621, NSG 6622 and NSG 6623 have all been updated to reflect the changes. NSG 6614 and NSG 6615 should be deleted from the CNS Track listing. The addition of NSG 66XX advanced Adult / Gerontology Care III and NSG 66XX Advanced Adult/ Gerontology Care III preceptorship will be added to the list of courses for the CNS Track. The total number of hours for this track did not change. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

16. Revision of Course Descriptions for NSG 8802, NSG 8804, NSG 8815 and NSG 8824

Dr. Spurlock presented a request to update the course descriptions for NSG 8802, NSG 8804, NSG 8815 and NSG 8824. Wanted to update the course descriptions to align and fully incorporate with the competencies of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's DNP Essentials and the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses Graduate Level Competencies. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Oliver motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. The motion was approved.

17. Changing NSG 8812 Minimum Grade Requirement "B"

Dr. Spurlock presented a request to change the minimum grade requirement for NSG 8812 Foundations of Evidence Based Practice to a "B". Post-MSN students do not currently have a course assigned in which a minimum grade of "B" is required. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Harrington seconded. The motion was approved.

18. DNP Progression Catalog Revision

Dr. Spurlock presented a request to update the DNP Progression statement in the Graduate Catalog. Students who earn a grade of "C" or below in more than one 8000 level course, must repeat the second course and achieve a grade of "B" or better. If the course to be repeated is a prerequisite for a subsequent course, the student may not progress. If two grades of "C" are earned in a semester, the DNP Program Coordinator will select the course to be repeated. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Riley motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Bowron seconded. Two abstained. The motion was approved.

19. MSN Transfer Credit

Dr. Spurlock presented a request to add a statement about MSN transfer credit. The statement would state "After DNP Coordinator evaluation of course syllabus a maximum of 12 credit hours of coursework may be accepted from only an existing Master of Science in Nursing toward the DNPP degree. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Bowron motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Meine seconded. The motion was approved.

Information Items:

20. Academic Program Action Form
21. MSIR off-campus instructional site closure Fayetteville, NC- SACSCOC Letter of Approval
22. MA in History delay of program- SACSCOC Letter of Approval
23. Graduate Certificate in Health Practice Management- SACSCOC Letter of Approval
24. MSPSE closure and teachout (multiple locations)- SACSCOC Letter of Approval
25. MBAi Extension to Ho Chi Minh City- SACSCOC Letter of Approval
26. MSCJ Extension to Dothan- SACSCOC Letter of Approval

The meeting adjourned at 3:11 p.m. The next meeting will be held on February 20, 2014 in the Conference room of Patterson Hall (room 330) at 1:30 p.m.