

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
WEB VERSION
January 17, 2013**

MEMBERS:

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Fred Meine (telephone)	X	
Carolyn Russell (vtel)	X		Diane Orlofsky		X*
Lynn Boyd (telephone)	X		William Heisler (telephone)	X	
Andrew Creamer	X		Patsy Riley	X**	
Dianne Eppler (vtel)	X		Robert Saunders (telephone)	X	
Diane Bandow		X*	Rolf Holtz	X	
Maureen Hannay (telephone)	X		Isabelle Warren	X	
Steven Taylor	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: Dr. Amy Spurlock, Dr. Kathryn Hildebrand, Mr. Wade Forehand, Dr. Ed Merkel, Ms. Janet Gaston, Ms. Wendy Broyles, Dr. Bob Wheatley, Dr. MaryAnn Templeton.

I. Call to Order

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

II. Approval of Agenda-

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

III. Approval of Minutes (to include the Web Version) of December 13, 2012.

Dr. Holtz motioned to approve the minutes with corrections. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

IV. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Barron stated that the Graduate School will be working on the graduate catalog. A copy will be sent out to the different colleges to edit at the end of February. Some programs that will be ACHE approved to start fall 2013 may not start until fall 2014 in order to give adequate time to advertise the new program.

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

Master of Science in International Relations student requesting an extension (3.0 GPA). Steven Taylor presented the students' 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, 2013. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Creamer motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

2. Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences Course Title Change

Dr. Gaston presented a request to change “Medical Gross Anatomy” to “Anatomical Sciences”. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Martin motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Warren seconded. The motion was approved.

3. Adjustments to the MPA Program- Fall 2013

- a. Dr. Taylor presented a request to change accrediting body name throughout the catalog to NASPAA: Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Holtz motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.
- b. Dr. Taylor presented a proposal to add a new course titled PA 66XX Performance Measurement and Management for Public and Non-profit Organizations to the Nonprofit Management concentration. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Meine motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Warren seconded. The motion was approved.

College of Business**4. Master of Taxation and Master of Accounting Program Changes-Fall 2013**

Dr. Merkel presented a request to no longer accept 5500 level foundation courses to meet the business foundation requirement for the Master of Taxation and Master of Accounting programs. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Eppler motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Heisler seconded. The motion was approved.

5. International Master of Business Administration Program Changes- Business Foundation Requirements- Fall 2013

Dr. Merkel presented a request to update the business foundation course requirements by:

- a. Replacing “from a school holding ACBSP or AACSB specialized accreditation for its business programs” to “from a school holding regional accreditation for its business programs.”
- b. Deleting “Global Business Issues” under Business Foundation Requirements.
- c. Deleting “and specialized accreditation” in item 2
- d. Deleting “(2) the content of the foundation course was completed at a school without ADCBSP or AACSB accreditation for its business degree programs” in item 3
- e. Increasing the ETS Field Test in Business score to 149. Students scoring below the 149 threshold in each of the disciplines will have each of their subscores compared with the national average. If the subscore is below the national average, the student will be required to take the undergraduate business course.
- f. Replacing “Bridge Program” paragraph with a new paragraph explaining that students may register for 6000-level MBAI classes if they scored lower than a 149 on the ETS after they earn at least a “C” in the undergraduate business courses that correspond to the ETS sub-areas in which they earned scores below the national average.

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

College of Health and Human Services**6. New Graduate Certificate Proposal -- Post MSN Nursing Informatics Specialist Certificate-Fall 2013**

Mr. Forehand presented the proposal to add a Post MSN Nursing Informatics Specialist certificate program. It will align with the MSN nursing program and will have the same requirements. The certificate program may be completed in one year. This program is for students who have previously earned a master's in nursing degree and would like to further pursue the area of nursing informatics. Dr. Barron noted that students will not be eligible to receive federal financial aid for this post graduate certificate. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Holtz motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Creamer seconded. The motion was approved.

7. MSN Nursing Informatics Specialist Course Title Changes

Mr. Forehand presented a request to change NSG 6631, NSG 6633 and NSG 6635 course titles to NSG 6631 Concepts of Health Care Informatics, NSG 6633 Health Care Information Systems, NSG 6635 Informatics Applications reflecting current changes in the healthcare technology field. Dr. Warren motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

8. DNP Changes to Course Descriptions

Dr. Spurlock presented a request to revise NSG 8810, NSG 8820, NSG 8830, NSG 8840 and NSG 8850 course descriptions to better reflect the credit hour workload, course assignments and wording consistent with Quality & Safety Education for Nurses outcomes. Request to remove one credit hour from NSG 8830 (which is currently 3-5 sh) and add one credit hour to NSG 8820 (currently 1 sh) because students are submitting proposals to IRB in NSG 8820. Dr. Holtz motioned to approve the recommendation. Dr. Martin seconded. The motion was approved.

Information Items: NONE

The meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m. The next meeting will be held on February 21, 2013 in the Conference room of Patterson Hall at 1:30 p.m.