

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**September 20, 2007**  
**WEB VERSION**

**MEMBERS:**

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Cherie Fretwell, Chair	X		Lorraine Magrath		X
Catherine Allard	X		Pam Manners	X	
Geraldine Allen	X		Dabney McKenzie (electronic vote)	X	
Frank Browning	X		Debra Moore		X
Jeanne Wright for Andrew Creamer	X		Emrah Orhun (phone)	X	
Mark Gaddis		X	Jim Rinehart	X	
Fred Green	X		Robert Saunders		X
William Heisler (phone)	X		David Shetterly		X
Haitao Li (v-tel)	X		Dr. Dianne Barron, ex officio		X
John Harrell for Kenyon Knapp	X				

GUESTS: Kim Jones, Dr. Don Jeffrey, Dr. Glenn Cohen, Dr. Tom Dunn, Dr. Judy McCarley, Dr. Ed Merkel, Dr. Barbara Echord

**I. Call to Order**

Dr. Fretwell called the meeting to order and asked members and guests to introduce themselves.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

The following agenda items were postponed to the next Graduate Council meeting as the Dean of the Graduate School and ex officio was not present: Election of Council chair for AY2007-2008 and Demonstration of electronic End of Course assessment system. Motion by Dr. Allen to accept the modified agenda; second by Dr. Green. The motion was approved.

**III. Approval of Minutes of June 21, 2007 (including web version)**

Dr. Allard moved to approve both the traditional version and the web version of the minutes with the following correction: On page 2, under the College of Communication and Fine Arts, line 3, the College of Music should be School of Music. Dr. Green seconded. The motion was approved.

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

Dr. Fretwell advised that the Dean of the Graduate School was in Montgomery on University business. Dr. Fretwell asked for volunteers to serve on a task force to define hybrid courses. Robert Saunders had expressed his willingness to work on the task force to both Dr. Barron and Dr. Fretwell. Kenyon Knapp advised through his representative, John Harrell, that he would also like to volunteer. Therefore, Dr. Saunders and Dr. Knapp will serve.

**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. **Wording Change in Course Description**  
Dr. Glenn Cohen explained that the words **or biological** were omitted in the course description when the name of a graduate program was changed from “Environmental Analysis and Management” to “Environmental and Biological Sciences.” Motion to accept wording change made by Dr. Manners. Dr. Browning seconded. Motion approved.
2. **Student #1 – Request for extension of the 8 year rule**  
Dr. Rinehart presented the details of the petition. A short discussion followed. Dr. Rinehart motioned to approve the extension until the end of Term 2, 2007. Dr. Heisler seconded. Motion approved.
3. **Student #2 – Request for extension of the 8 year rule**  
Dr. Orhun presented the details of the petition. All coursework is completed except the thesis. Dr. Rinehart motioned to approve a final extension until the end of spring semester 2008. Dr. Green seconded. Motion approved.
4. **Student #3., Right of Due Process Appeal**  
Dr. Rinehart presented the details of this appeal. After discussion, Dr. Rinehart motioned to approve Dr. Barron’s denial. Dr. Green seconded. Motion passed.

College of Business

1. **Addition of Independent Study Courses in Business Disciplines**  
ACT 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of Accounting  
ECD 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of Economic Development  
FIN 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of Finance  
HSA 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of Healthcare Management  
IHM 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of International Hospitality Management  
IS 6625/6626 (1-3) Specialized Study in the Area of Information Systems  
Dr. Merkel presented an overview of the Independent Study Course addition to standardize the course offerings within the College of Business. Dr. Green motioned to accept the addition of Independent Study Courses in Business disciplines as outlined. Dr. Li seconded. Motion approved.

College of Education

1. **Student #1 – Request for extension of the 8 year rule**  
Dr. Fretwell presented the circumstances regarding this second petition for extension of 8 yr Waiver. Dr. Manners motioned to approve to the end of Fall 2007 semester. Seconded by Dr. Browning. Motion approved.
2. **Student #2 – Request for extension of the 8 year rule**  
Dr. Fretwell presented the petition. After a few questions, Dr. Browning motioned to

approve extension thru December 2007. Seconded by Dr. Allen. Motion approved.

Information Items

1. July 10, 2007 letter to notify SACS of UC plans to offer MSM with Health Care concentration to a cohort group at Naval Hospital Bremerton, WA site.
2. August 2, 2007 letter to notify SACS of UC plans to offer MSIR and MSM at San Antonio, TX site.
3. August 2, 2007 letter to notify SACS of UC plan to offer MSCJ at Charleston, SC site starting October 2007.
4. June 27, 2007 letter to notify SACS of UC plans to offer MSCJ at Covington, GA site starting August 2007.
5. Results of July 2007 electronic vote: 17 voting members: 11 approved 0 dissenting  
Proposal to offer the MS Counseling & Psychology in Marianna, FL  
Proposal to offer MSIR in Tampa/MacDill, FL

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2007.