

*Graduate Council  
Meeting Minutes*

November 21, 2014

**I. Call to Order**

Dr. Jeff Brown called to order the meeting of the Graduate Council at 3:30 p.m. on November 21, 2014, WHTC 224.

**Roll Call**

The following persons were present: Jeff Brown, Whitney Bischoff, James Norris, Marivic Torregosa, Kimber Palmer, Michael Kidd, Kyung-Shin Park, Lynne Manganaro, Maria Flores, Alfredo Ramirez, Jr., Leonel Prieto, Rodney Webb, and Patrick Palacios.

**Approval of minutes from last meeting**

**Motion:** Dr. Bischoff moved to approve the meeting minutes from October 24, 2014. The motion was passed unanimously.

**II. Old Business**

*A. Scholarship Review/Evaluation Requirements*

Dr. Manganaro will provide an update later.

**III. New Business**

*A. Graduate Faculty Applications*

a. Full

i. Paul Niemeyer (COAS)

**Motion:** It was moved and seconded to approve him at Full Level. This motion was passed unanimously.

ii. Kate Houston (COAS)

**No motion.** She was automatically approved at Full Level based on four-year rule.

iii. Tonya Trepinski (COED)

**No motion.** She was automatically approved at Full Level based on four-year rule.

*B. Graduate Faculty classifications*

Discussion about only tenured-track faculty being eligible for full graduate faculty status. Fixed-term faculty not eligible. Dr. Ramirez will take item to next Faculty Senate meeting.

*C. Transfer of up to 12 SCH for new proposed CJ doctorate (see page 10 of proposal)*

**Motion:** Approve 12 SCH of transfer credit for Ph.D. in Criminal Justice program only, pending final program approval from Coordinating Board.

Dr. Norris moved to approve this motion and Dr. Manganaro seconded.

This motion was passed unanimously.

*D. Curriculum changes for Communication/Psychology/Math*

a. BA/MA

**Motion:** Accept new changes for BA/MA programs wherein seniors may take graduate courses for credit toward Master's degree only.

Dr. Kidd moved to approve this motion and Dr. Manganaro seconded.

This motion was passed unanimously.

b. Psychology program no longer requiring GRE

**Motion:** Eliminate GRE requirement for admission to MS-Psychology.

Dr. Manganaro moved to approve this motion.

This motion was passed unanimously.

*E. Curriculum changes in COED*

**Motion:** Approve new admission requirements for Master's programs.

Dr. Ramirez moved to approve this motion and Dr. Norris seconded.

This motion was passed unanimously.

*F. Miscellaneous*

Dr. Brown talked about the Provost requiring a 25% increase in graduate enrollment by next fall. Discussion about recruiting strategies and ideas. Dr. Brown talked about making graduate degrees more appealing and "unique" to attract out-of-town students.

**Adjournment**

Dr. Jeff Brown moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Isabel Contreras and Dr. Jeff Brown.

Minutes are pending approval by Graduate Council.