

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING

May 6, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

OU Graduate College Conference Room, Robertson Hall 311

Guests: Contact Graduate Council secretary, [Elizabeth Irick](#), for information

MINUTES

All actions taken by the Graduate Council will have a twenty-one (21) day faculty protest period except for new courses, course changes, and petitions, which will be considered approved by the Graduate Faculty if no written protest is received in the Graduate College within seven (7) days.

Present: Randy Hewes, June Abbas, Amit Baishya, Loretta Bass, Summer Edwards, Mike Engel, Sara Ernst, Madalina Furis, Libby Ryan, Mrinal Saha, Brenda Salgado, Radhika Santhanam, Samer Shehata, Jenny Sperling, Doyle Yoon

Guests: Elizabeth Irick, Kim Mahre, Kristi Meyers, Stephanie Powers

Absent: Summer Edwards, Caroline Lancaster

General Business

1. The minutes from the April 1, 2026, meeting were unanimously approved.
2. All course modifications, proposals, and deletions (see last page) were unanimously approved.
3. Program modifications, proposals, and deletions:
 - The following program modifications, proposals, and deletions for the Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences were unanimously approved:
 - French, M.A., program inactivation
 - French, Ph.D., program inactivation
 - The following program modifications, proposals, and deletions for the Gallogly College of Engineering were unanimously approved:
 - Data Science & Analytics Ph.D., program requirement change
 - Data Science & Analytics grad certificate, program requirement change
 - Data Science & Analytics M.S., program requirement change
 - Industrial Systems Engineering BS – Data Science Analytics MS, admin
 - Meteorology B.S.-Data Science & Analytics MS, admin requirement change

- Applied Artificial Intelligence M.S., program requirement change
 - Applied Artificial Intelligence BS-MS accelerated, admin requirement change
 - Cybersecurity BS-Applied Artificial Intelligence MS accelerated, admin requirement change
 - Cybersecurity Leadership M.S., program requirement change
 - Cybersecurity B.S.-Cybersecurity Leadership M.S. accelerated, admin requirement change
4. A member-at-large graduate faculty appointment request for Dr. Anna Treviño was unanimously approved.
 5. Dean Hewes provided updates on the plan and progress to date on work to unify the Health and Norman Campus graduate policies into a consolidated Graduate Bulletin.
 6. Dean Hewes announced that a joint meeting of the Health and Norman Campus Graduate Councils will be held near the start of the fall term (details TBA).

The following course modifications and proposals have been approved by the Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Provost's Office for further approval after the seven (7) day protest period. Only brief information regarding approved changes follows; however, original course change proposals will be on file in the Graduate College through the seven-day protest period if you have questions or concerns about any of the following. Please contact the Graduate Council Secretary, Elizabeth Irick, at 405-325-3811, if you wish to review any of these materials.

AAI 5103. Course change request.
AMGT 5293. New course proposal.
ANTH 5213. Course change request.
BIOL 4463. Course change request.
BIOL 5571. New course proposal.
CRJU 5123. Course change request.
MUTH 5873. Course change request.
OL 5243. Course change request.
SDI 5243. New course proposal.
WGS 5001. Course change request.

Reports: No new items to report

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With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:41 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 2, 2026.

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