

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
April 3, 2024
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: Randall Hewes, Sherri Irvin, Elizabeth Butler, Ioana Cionea, Jay Jayaram, Eric Lee, Catalin Teodoriu, Doyle Yoon, Allison Palmer, Bryce Lowery, Liz Karr, Neil Houser, Amit Baishya, Samer Shehata.

Absent: June Abbas, Brenda Salgado, Ashtyn Davis.

Guests: Elizabeth Pober, Eric Sourie, Francesca Harrell, Marilyn Byrd, Melodi Franklin, Randa Shehab, Shawn Schaefer, Suchi Bhattacharjee, Yingtao Liu, Kristi Meyers, Kim Mahre, Stephanie Powers.

Description of General Business

The minutes from the March 6, 2024, council meeting were unanimously approved.

Program Modifications and Proposals

- Architecture - Interior Design (First Professional) MS- program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Architecture - Interior Design (Pre-Professional) MS - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Architecture – Master of Urban Design - new accelerated program was unanimously approved
- Arts and Sciences - Human Relations Studies MA (accelerated with Human Resources BA) - new accelerated program was unanimously approved
- Earth and Energy - MBA (accelerated with Petroleum Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Earth and Energy - Petroleum Engineering MS (accelerated with Petroleum Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Engineering - Aerospace Engineering MS (accelerated with Aerospace Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Engineering - Civil Engineering MS (accelerated with Civil Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved

- Engineering - Engineering PhD - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Engineering - Environmental Engineering MS - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Engineering - Environmental Engineering MS (accelerated with Environmental Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved
- Engineering - MBA (accelerated with Industrial System Engineering BS) - program requirement change was unanimously approved

Discussion Items

- Proposed updates to the current graduate assistant leave policies (parental leave, vacations, and university holidays/administrative leaves) and to the non-thesis examination policy (to allow abeyances) were discussed. These policy updates will be brought to the full Council in May for approval.

Reports

No HSC guest in attendance and no report shared.

No members of the Council attended Faculty Senate.

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, Francesca Giani, at 405-325-3811, if you wish to review any of these materials.

AME 5133. Change in status, title, prerequisites, description.

CEES 5543. New course proposal.

CH E 5063. New course proposal.

COMM 5003. Change in prerequisites.

COMM 5960. Change in prerequisites, restrictions.

COMM 5980. Change in prerequisites, restrictions, majors.

COMM 5990. Change in prerequisites, restrictions, semester.

COMM 6960. Change in prerequisites, restrictions, semester.

COMM 6980. Change in description.

COMM 6990. Change in prerequisites, restriction.

ENT 5142. New course proposal.

GPHY 5153. New course proposal.

HIST 6500. Change in majors, description.

PSY 6443. New course proposal.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be May 1, 2024.

DISTRIBUTION DATE: April 5, 2024

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