

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
February 7, 2018 MINUTES
Farzaneh Hall, Room 142**

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: Nancy LaGreca, Jennifer Kisamore, Sally Beach, Michael Biggerstaff, Shane Connelly, Natalie Daugherty, Maria Davidson, Peter Gade, Phil Gibson, Tohren Kibbey, Nina Livesey, Patrick McCann, Sanna Pederson, Mark Raymond, Zulfiquar Reza, Jeremiah Stinnett, Charles Warnken, J. Quyen Wickham, Pradeep Yadav

Absent: Randall Hewes, James Sluss, Oluwatobi Ajagbe, Susan Burke, Susan Laird

Guests: T. Elon Dancy II, Xi-Qin Ding (HSC), Siduri Haslerig, Daniel Larson, Sara Vaughan

Description of General Business

- The minutes from the January 17, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

Course Modifications and Proposals

- The following new course proposals were removed for revision and will be considered at a future meeting: EDWL 5023, Foundations of Second Language Acquisition Theory and EDWL 5033, Methods for Teaching World Languages in Educational Settings.

Program Modifications and Proposals

1. Health and Exercise Science MS – option addition (Sports Data Analytics) was unanimously approved.
2. History MA – program requirement change was unanimously approved.
3. History PhD – program requirement change was unanimously approved.
4. Library and Information Studies MLIS – program requirement change was unanimously approved.
5. Adult and Higher Education PhD – program requirement change was unanimously approved.

Information Items

- The **December 2018** Graduate Council meeting will take place one week earlier, on November 28. The deadline for agenda items will be October 31, 2018.
- Due to Winter Break, the **January 2019** meeting will take place on January 16, 2019. The deadline for agenda items will be November 28, 2018.

Discussion Items

- Three Minute Thesis Competition
 - Forty-one graduate students presented their research in the preliminary rounds, representing more than 20 departments.
 - Ten finalists were selected to present in the final round, representing nine departments.
 - The final competition is on February 23 at 2:30 p.m. in Meacham Auditorium with a reception following in Beard Lounge at 4:00 p.m.

- Online-only versus online and print thesis/dissertation deposits
 - Associate Dean LaGreca announced plans for thesis and dissertation publication to be digital only beginning fall 2018. Graduate liaisons were surveyed, and most were in favor of digital versus print copies. The topic will be discussed at the upcoming spring liaison meeting. OU peer institutions except for OSU are publishing theses and dissertations online only. A question was asked about archiving master's degree projects, such as those in Journalism. This question will be addressed further, with an update at the March council meeting.

Subcommittee Reports

Dr. Nancy LaGreca gave the following report of the Academic Program Review Committee meeting:

- The final visit from the external evaluators for the Department of Biology is completed.

J. Quyen Wickham attended the January 18, 2018 HSC Graduate Council meeting and gave the following report:

- Program reviews are ongoing for the PhD programs. A draft proposal of the reviews is in progress.

Dr. Jennifer Kisamore, Associate Dean of the Tulsa Graduate College, offered the following:

- A new webpage is live on the Tulsa Graduate College website on which students and alumni discuss their experience in the Tulsa programs: <http://www.ou.edu/content/tulsa/grad-college/about-tgc/testimonials.html>.
- Dr. Kisamore distributed summaries of enrollment in OU-Tulsa courses and the OU-Tulsa student profile.

Course Modifications and Proposals

The following course modifications and proposals have been approved by the Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Academic Programs Council 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, Linda Kelly, at 325-3106, if you wish to review any of these materials.

CEES 5873. Change in title, course description, prerequisites, and semester offered.

CH E 5183. Change in prerequisites.

CH E 5243. Change in prerequisites.

CH E 5480. Change in prerequisites.

CH E 5843. Change in prerequisites.

CH E 5971. Change in prerequisites.

H R 5623. Change in prerequisites.

MGT 5712. Change in course title and description.

ANTH 5883. Course addition.

HES 5283. Course addition.

HES 5313. Course addition.

HES 5903. Course addition.

P SC 5093. Course addition.

P SC 5803. Course addition.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 7, 2018.

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