

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING
March 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: Randall Hewes, Nancy LaGreca, Jennifer Kisamore (via video conference), Oluwatobi Ajagbe, Sally Beach, Susan Burke, Shane Connelly, Natalie Daugherty, Lupe Davidson, Peter Gade, Phil Gibson, Tohren Kibbey, Susan Laird, Nina Livesey, Patrick McCann, Sanna Pederson, Mark Raymond, Zulfiqar Reza, Jeremiah Stinnett, Charles Warnken, John Quyen Wickham, Pradeep Yadav

Absent: James Sluss, Mike Biggerstaff

Guests: Ilhan Demiralp, Ron Halterman, Amber Hasbrook, Andrew John (HSC), Sara Vaughan

Description of General Business

- The minutes from February 7, 2018 were unanimously approved.

Program Modifications and Proposals

1. Graduate Certificate in Media Management program requirement change was unanimously approved.
2. Chemistry and Biochemistry PhD program requirement change was unanimously approved.
3. Finance MS new program proposal was unanimously approved.

Information Items

- The results of the Three Minute Thesis Competition held on February 23, 2018 are as follows:
 - 1st place, Lin Guo, Industrial & Systems Engineering
 - Runner-up, Patrick McKernan, Biomedical Engineering
 - Runner-up, Bhagyashree Waghule, Aerospace Engineering
 - People's Choice Award, Melissa Foxley, Chemistry & Biochemistry
 - Lin Guo will represent OU at the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools annual meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan on April 6, 2018.
 - Dean Hewes asked council members to consider holding satellite 3MT® events in their academic units beginning in the fall before the Graduate College preliminary rounds in January. This would give graduate students another valuable opportunity to practice their presentation skills and receive feedback from their unit.
- 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

Dean Hewes discussed thesis and dissertation deadlines and when committee members receive the reading copy of a student's document. If faculty receive the copy in a timely manner, they have time to offer valuable feedback, and the student has time for revisions before the defense. This also reduces the need for major edits after the defense.

Subcommittee Reports

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

- The committee has finished their meetings with external evaluators and department leadership. They have prepared a final draft report for Aviation and are preparing drafts for Biology, Microbiology & Plant Biology, and Physics & Astronomy.

John Quyen Wickham attended the February 15, 2018 Health Sciences Center Graduate Council Meeting and gave the following report:

- Course of interest: BSE 5633–Public Health Strategies for Tobacco Control: history, health effects, politics, and prevention of tobacco.
- Graduate Faculty Appointment Committee: the committee is reviewing the submission process of the online forms.
- A Faculty Senate survey is being developed to gauge faculty satisfaction.
- The Bridges to Access conference with the OUHSC Community Engagement Office will be held February 17, 2018.

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.

ARCH 5193. Change of course number and prerequisites; addition of slashlisting.

CNS 5303. Change in short title and prerequisites; addition of slashlisting.

FIN 5372. Change in prerequisites.

FIN 5382. Change in prerequisites.

MIT 5762. Change in prerequisites.

FIN 5392. Course addition.

FIN 5402. Course addition.

FIN 5412. Course addition.

LSAL 5343. Removed from consideration at this meeting.

LSAL 5413. Removed from consideration at this meeting.

LSIS 5033. Removed from consideration at this meeting.

LSIS 5203. Removed from consideration at this meeting.

LSMS 5443. Course addition.

MIT 5032. Course addition.

P SC 5083. Course addition.

CNS 5103. Course deletion.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 4, 2018.

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