Administrative Board of the Graduate School
March 26, 2020
Zoom meeting
10:00 am

AGENDA


Members Absent: Denise Crisp, Samuel Jones, Djamel Kaoumi, Jerome Lavelle, Kathryn Meurs, Lee Stiff, Siddhartha Thakur, Kayla Anima, Tim Petty,

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

I. Approval of Minutes
   The minutes from February 20, 2020 were approved

II. Administrative Board Action Items
A. Program Actions
   a. At the request of the college of Design a proposal to change the degree/name of the Master of Architecture (M. Arch) track 2 to Master of Advanced Architectural Design (presented by Dr. David Hill) was approved.
   b. At the request of the college of Education a proposal to create a subplan for Counselor Education (presented by Dr. Raymond Ting) was approved.
   c. At the request of the Poole college of Management a proposal to change the curriculum for Graduate Certificate in Supply Chain (presented by Dr. Steve Allen) was approved.
   d. At the request of the Poole college of Management a proposal to create the Graduate Certificate in Business Leadership (presented by Dr. Steve Allen) was approved.

B. Course Actions
   A motion was made to approve all items under section B as a consent agenda. The motion was passed and these items were approved.

College of Agriculture & Life Sciences
   a. At the request of the Department of Animal Science, a proposal to create the course ANS 565-Advanced Canine and Feline Nutrition (presented by Dr. John Dole)

College of Design
   a. At the request of the Department of Architecture, a proposal to create the course ARC 525-Sustainability over the Life of a Building (presented by Dr. Sharon Joines)
   b. At the request of the Department of Architecture, a proposal to create the course ARC 526-Health and Sustainability in the Built Environment (presented by Dr. Sharon Joines)
College of Engineering
a. At the request of the Fitts Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, a proposal to create the course ISE 447/547—Applications of Data Science in Healthcare (presented by Dr. Doug Reeves)

College of Humanities and Social Sciences
a. At the request of the Department of Foreign Languages & Literature, a proposal to create the course FLS 445/545—Spanish Environmental Cultural Studies (presented by Dr. Deanna Dannels)

College of Natural Resources
a. At the request of the Center for Geospatial Analytics, a proposal to create the course GIS/MEA 584—Mapping and Analysis Using UAS (presented by Dr. Eric Money)

College of Sciences
a. At the request of the Department of Statistics, a proposal to create the course ST 518—Applied Statistical Methods II (presented by Dr. John Blondin)

Poole College of Management
a. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to create the course MBA 533—Negotiation and Conflict Management (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)
b. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to create the course MBA 535—Leading Teams (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)
c. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to create the course MBA 539—Jenkins Leadership Challenge (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)
d. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to create the course MBA 578—Venture Launch (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)

**Wilson College of Textiles**

a. At the request of the Department of Textile and Apparel Management, a proposal to create the course TTM 545—Weft and Warp Knit Engineering and Structural Design (presented by Dr. Jerome Lavelle)

C. **Course Revisions**

A motion was made to approve all items under section C as a consent agenda. The motion was passed and these items were approved.

**College of Design**

a. At the request of the Department of Art and Design, a proposal to edit course ADN 560—Graduate Studio I: Immersive and Experimental Narrative (presented by Dr. Sharon Joines)

**College of Sciences**

a. At the request of the Department of Statistics, a proposal to edit course ST 512—Statistical Methods for Researchers II (presented by Dr. John Blondin)

**Poole College of Management**

a. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to drop course MBA 553—Business Process Design and Analysis (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)
b. At the request of the Department of Business Management, a proposal to drop course MBA 569—Consumer Innovation Practicum (presented by Dr. Steve Allen)
D. Minor Actions
   A motion was made to approve all items under section D as a consent agenda. The motion was passed and these items were approved.

   College of Education
   a. At the request of the Department of Education, a proposal to edit course ED 755—Scholar Leader: Diversity and Equity in Schools and Communities

   Poole College of Management
   a. At the request of the Department of Accounting a proposal to edit course MBA 502 – Managerial Accounting for Decision Makers

III. Continued Business
   A motion was made to approve the updates to the time-limit extension policy. The motion was passed and the changes were approved.

IV. New Business
   a. Late drop and S/U grading specifications
      Students will have the option this semester, due to COVID-19, to change their courses to S/U grades through the fully-graded date. An S grade is defined as a C- or above for all career levels and programs. Ultimately, this decision was based on the current circumstances and what is fair for students. Dr. Reeves requested that a webpage address some of the questions that are arising regarding the potential impact of this policy. It was noted that there is a current FAQ page in the Student Service Center that addresses many questions:
      https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-resources/covid-19/spring2020-sat-grading/

V. Information Items
a. Report from Graduate Student Association (GSA) (presented by Ms. Urmila Adhikari).

At this point all the GSA meetings are being conducted online. The nominations for new officers are open until the end of this week and voting will remain open until next week.

There were 8 students who received the award for conferences and 14 for travel assistance awards. Due to the current situation many conferences and travel are being canceled therefore, the opportunities are being awarded to the next student on the list if one cannot use it.

The graduate mental health symposium has unfortunately been postponed until the fall.

b. COVID-19 Concerns

Enrollment for fall is an increasing concern across campus, due COVID-19 and the fact that consulates have closed around the world. The likelihood that international students will be able to attend is very slim if they are not already in the country.

There are remaining question regarding funding sources for students.

There is a limitation, due to our SACS accreditation, for programs that do not have a distance education subplan. Students in those programs cannot take more than 25% of their coursework via DE. Furthermore, there are implications to CPT and OPT for students who are not physically on campus.

It was announced that the Graduate School is going to clear students for admissions based on their unofficial transcripts, since many applicants are unable to
Dr. Reeves made a request to Peter Harries and Fashaad Crawford to make a plea to SACS to be more flexible during these unprecedented times.

VI. Next scheduled meeting
April 30, 2020
10:00 am
Zoom Meeting