



# Administrative Board of the Graduate School December 17, 2020

Zoom

10:00 am

#### **MINUTES**

Members Present: Jonathan Allen, Steve Allen, John Blondin, Lisa Chapman, Deanna Dannels, Cameron Denson, John Dole, Sharon Joines, Sam Jones, Srini Krishnamurthy, John Lee, Alun Lloyd, Pamela McCauley, Eric Money, James Mulholland, Spencer Muse, Melissa Pasquinelli, Kara Peters, Doug Reeves, Kuncheng Song, Eileen Taylor, Susan Tonkonogy, Kelly Umstead, Kayla Anima, Fashaad Crawford, Pierre Gremaud, Peter Harries, Lian Lynch, Tim Petty, Kyle Pysher, Richard Gould

Other Attendees: Lexi Malico

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from November 12, 2020 were approved.

II. Administrative Board Action Items

## A. Program Actions

College of Humanities and Social Sciences

a. At the request of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, a proposal to edit the Graduate Certificate in Nuclear Nonproliferation Science and Policy curriculum (presented by Dr. Deanna Dannels) was approved.

## College of Design

a. At the request of the College of Design, a proposal to edit the Master of Art and Design curriculum (presented by Dr. Sharon Joines) was approved.

## College of Veterinary Medicine

a. At the request of the department of Comparative Biomedical Sciences, a proposal to rename the Population Medicine concentration to "Population and Global Health" and update the curriculum (presented by Dr. Sam Jones) was approved.

#### **B.** Course Actions

A motion was made to vote on the items under Section B as consent agenda. The motion was passed, and the items were approved.

# College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

a. At the request of the department of Crop Science, a proposal to create course CS 701—Breeding for Insect Resistance and Abiotic Stress

## College of Design

 At the request of the department of Art and Design, a proposal to create the course ADN 511—Graduate Seminar IV: Final Project Documentation c. At the request of the department of Landscape Architecture, a proposal to create the course LAR 607—Natural Hazards, Disasters and Climate Change Adaptation Lecture Series

## College of Engineering

- a. At the request of the department of Electrical & Computer Engineering, a proposal to create the course ECE 541—Antennas and Arrays
- At the request of the department of Engineering Management, a proposal to create the course EM 675—Engineering Management Masters Project

## College of Sciences

a. At the request of the department of Biology, a proposal to create the course BIO 578—The Physiology of Stress

## College of Veterinary Medicine

- a. At the request of the CVM Deans Office, a proposal to create the course CBS / SLC 663—Leadership in Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences
- b. At the request of the Teaching DoCS Department, a proposal to create the course VMC 938—Advanced Small Animal Primary Care

#### C. Course Revisions

A motion was made to vote on the items under Section C as consent agenda. The motion was passed, and the items were approved.

## College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

a. At the request of the Department of Crop & Soil Sciences, a proposal to drop course ECO 601—Ecology Seminar

# College of Design

a. At the request of the Department of Crop & Soil Sciences, a proposal to drop course ADN 571—Graduate Studio IV: Final Project Development

# Poole College of Management

a. At the request of the Department of Economics, a proposal to drop the course ECG / FIM / MA / MBA 528—Options and Derivatives Pricing

## **D. Minor Actions**

A motion was made to vote on the items under Section D as consent agenda. The motion was passed, and the items were approved.

## College of Education

- a. At the request of the department of Education, a proposal to edit the course ED 755—Scholar Leader: Diversity and Equity in Schools and Communities
- b. At the request of the department of Education, a proposal to edit the course ED 756—Scholar Leader: Systemic Change in Education
- c. At the request of the department of Math, Science, and Technology Education, a proposal to edit course EMS 470/570—Methods and Materials for Teaching Mathematics
- d. At the request of the department of Math, Science, and Technology Education, a proposal to edit course EMS 472/572—Teaching Mathematics Topics in Senior High School

# College of Humanities and Life Sciences

e. At the request of the department of Communication, a proposal to edit course COM 536—Seminar in Environmental Communication

## College of Natural Resources

f. At the request of the Center for Geospatial Analytics, a proposal to edit course GIS / CSC 711—Geospatial Data Management

## College of Sciences

a. At the request of the Department of Mathematics, a proposal to edit course MA 726—Algebraic Geometry

## College of Veterinary Medicine

- a. At the request of the Teaching DoCS Department, a proposal to edit course VMC 902—Small Animal Rounds
- b. At the request of Teaching PHP Department, a proposal to edit course VMP 906—Bovine Assisted Reproduction Techniques

#### **III.** Continued Business

a. Information about S/U grading (presented by Dean Peter Harries)

Though the Administrative Board of the Graduate School (ABGS) voted for the S/U grading policy to raise the minimum grade for an S-grade from a C- to a B-, the vote was overruled by the Chancellor. It was decided that the Graduate School would continue to use the current S/U grading policy until the end of the Spring 2021 semester.

#### IV. New Business

 a. Discussion about ABGS Course Review (presented by Dean Peter Harries)

Dean Harries presented an overview of the course review process in the Graduate School and included a background of some of the issues with ABGS Reviews the Graduate School staff has been experiencing. Dr. Gremaud presented a document listing the expectations of each review

level in the process. The ABGS agreed that the document was helpful. A motion was made to change the review process by eliminating the three assigned individual ABGS Reviewers from the course review. This would allow all ABGS members to review every course before the meeting and bring any questions or concerns to the meeting before a vote is made. The motion was passed and the item was approved.

#### V. Information Items

- a. Report from Graduate Student Association (GSA) (presented by Mr. Kuncheng Song).
- b. Report from Faculty Senate (presented by Dr. Eileen Taylor)

# VI. Next scheduled meeting

January 21, 2020 10:00 am Zoom

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.