



The Graduate School

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## **Administrative Board of the Graduate School**

**April 10, 2025**

**Winslow Hall**

**10:00 a.m.**

### **Minutes**

**Voting members present:** Jonathan Allen, David Crouse, Naimul Haque, Heidi Hobbs, Sam Jones, Tim Kraft, John Lee, Alun Lloyd, John Millhauser, Eric Money, Spencer Muse, Melissa Pasquinelli, Kara Peters, Balaji Rao, Temple Walkowiak

**Non-voting members present:** Jamie Digesare, Peter Harries, Lian Lynch, Tim Petty, Kyle Pysher, Latasha Wade

**Guests:** Jack Rodenfels

**Members absent:** Vikas Anand, Todd Berreth, Helen Chen, Fashaad Crawford, Liara Gonzalez, Pierre Gremaud, Michael Hyman, Jeff Joines, Sharon Joines, Seth Kullum, Alexis Lockett, Kaitlyn Mittan, Nelson Vinueza Benitez

**The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.**

#### **I. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from [March 20, 2025](#) were approved.

#### **II. Administrative Board Action Items**

##### **A. Program Actions**

College of Sciences

- a. At the request of the Statistics Department, a proposal to edit the [Applied Statistics and Data Management \(Certificate\)](#) (presented by Alun Lloyd) was approved.

- b. At the request of the Toxicology Department, a proposal to edit the [Toxicology \(MR\)](#) (presented by Alun Lloyd) was approved.
- c. At the request of the Toxicology Department, a proposal to edit the [Toxicology \(MS\)](#) (presented by Alun Lloyd) was approved.

#### College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

- a. At the request of the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department, a proposal to edit the [Biological and Agricultural Engineering \(PhD\)](#) (presented by Jonathan Allen) was approved.

#### College of Education

- a. At the request of the Educational Leadership, Policy and Human Development Department, a proposal to edit the [Educational Leadership, Policy and Human Development \(PhD\): Higher Education](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- b. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MS\)](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- c. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\)](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- d. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\): Educational Psychology Concentration](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- e. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to create the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\): Elementary Education in Mathematics and Science Concentration](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- f. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\): English Education Concentration](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- g. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\): Reading Education Concentration](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.
- h. At the request of the Teacher Education and Learning Sciences Department, a proposal to edit the [Teaching, Learning and Curriculum \(MEd\): Social Studies Education Concentration](#) (presented by John Lee) was approved.

#### **B. Course Revisions**

**A motion was made to approve items under section B as consent agenda.  
The motion was passed and the items were approved.**

#### College of Sciences

- a. At the request of the Mathematics department, a proposal to edit course [BMA 772 / MA 772 / ST 772 : Biomathematics II: Stochastic Models in Biology](#)

#### College of Engineering

- a. At the request of the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering department, a proposal to drop the course [MAE 699 : Master's Thesis Preparation](#)
- b. At the request of the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering department, a proposal to drop the course [MAE 893 : Doctoral Supervised Research](#)
- c. At the request of the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering department, a proposal to drop the course [MAE 899 : Doctoral Dissertation Preparation](#)

### C. Minor Actions

**A motion was made to approve items under section C as consent agenda. The motion was passed and the items were approved.**

#### College of Engineering

- a. At the request of the Fitts Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, a proposal to edit course [ISE 519 : Database Applications in Industrial and Systems Engineering](#)

### III. New Business

- a. Introduction of Jack Rodenfels, Director of Non-Degree Credential Program Innovation (Peter Harries)
- b. Accelerated Bachelor's to PhD (Peter Harries) the committee discussed creating an ABP reviewed data on the ABM program and impact on student mental health. The committee discussed what would happen if a student was in an ABP and wanted to switch to an ABM. There are some programs that are seeing an increase in students wanting to enroll in an ABM. The committee also discussed the advantages and disadvantages of having ABM and ABP programs.

### IV. Information Items

- a. Report from Graduate Student Association (GSA) (presented by Naimul Haque) The GSA held a Graduate Student Symposium with 195 presentations. The GSA is currently reviewing the spring 2025 travel awards.

### V. Next scheduled meeting

April 24, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Winslow Hall Conference Room

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.**