

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 09/26/2019

Time: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Location: 129 Himes Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Lockridge called the monthly meeting of the Graduate Council to order at 10:30 am.

ATTENDANCE

Name		Name		Name		Name	
Adams	A	Greckhamer	P	Perry	P	Lee (ex-officio)	A
Cai	A	Hamilton	A	Piccoli	P	Richardson (ex-officio)	P
Francis	P	Husseneder	P	Pojman	A	Wicks (ex-officio)	P
Frick	P	Lockridge	P	Seifield	A		
Gansle	P	Marchand	A	Sharky	P		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The motion to approve the previous meeting minutes passed unanimously.

REPORTS

CHAIR'S REPORT

Lockridge will send the Chair's Report via email after the meeting.

INTERIM DEAN'S REPORT

Richardson asked representatives to review their college's instructional credit hour requirement for students to take to earn a degree from LSU.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS' REPORT

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS

CURRICULUM CHANGE: ONLINE MBA

Helmut Schneider informed everyone that the justification was revised based on the Council's recommendations from the previous meeting. Dana Hart added that this is a way to develop more compelling opportunities for current MBA and to attract experienced professionals to the program. Frick motioned to approve, Piccoli seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

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NEW BUSINESS

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE: TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING

George Voyiadjis proposed to offer this certificate as a means of encouraging students to continue to pursue a master's degree in Civil Engineering, and that companies provide incentives for employees to pursue their graduate education. Sasha Thackaberry added that it provides a more formal pathway to management and fulfilling CE requirements. Voyiadjis and Thackaberry indicated the certificate would be offered to on-campus and online students. Voyiadjis added that the name is indicative of the courses offered and would not confuse students.

After a brief discussion, members tentatively approved the proposal for further processing insofar as it is a proposal to create an academic certificate in transportation engineering. Sharky made a motion for the department to revise the justification to provide clarity on the availability of the certificate and the courses. Piccoli seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

PHD IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

Carol Friedland stated their department is currently supervising Ph.D. students pursuing the Construction Management concentration through the Engineering Science program. The proposal will create an on-campus and online Ph.D. degree in the department. It will consist of 42 credit hours of course work and 12 credit hours of required dissertation work. She highlighted the difference between the proposed degree and the current one is the reduction of required credit hours from 54 to 42. Friedland stated the department would petition for online Ph.D. students and their committee members to participate in dissertation defenses remotely.

While deliberating, several members expressed concerns about the online component of the proposal. In particular, the lack of detail on how the general exam and the defense would be comparable, and other matters of PhDs and 100% distance education. Members agreed to meet separately with Dr. Matthew Lee to discuss university regulations for online Ph.D. degree programs and the Graduate Council's role. A motion to table the proposal until after the meeting with Lee passed unanimously with no abstentions.

MS IN SPORTS MANAGEMENT

J. Michael Martinez presented a proposal to change the name of the MS in Kinesiology with a specialization in Sport Management degree to MS in Sport Management. It aligns better with all of the faculty's academic preparations and allows students the opportunity to differentiate themselves in the job market. Sharky motioned to approved, Francis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

DOCTOR OF DESIGN- GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ARCHIVAL STUDIES OPTION

Michael Desmond, Director of the Doctor of Design program, discussed the program's curriculum path that includes their students taking online courses along with courses from

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the School of Library & Information Science. Edward Benoit, Associate Director of the School of Library & Information Science, added that they are requesting approval to offer the Doctor of Design degree and the Graduate Certificate in Archival Studies concurrently. Piccoli motioned to approve, Husseneder seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED DEPOSITIONAL GEOSYSTEMS

This certificate originated as a departmental program in the early 1990s and approved as a formal graduate certificate in 2012. Courses are being updated in hopes of increasing interest and enrollment in the program. Gansle motioned to approve the proposal, Frick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANTS TEACHING COURSES FOR GRADUATE CREDIT

It was proposed to add the following statement to the General Catalog:

“LSU Graduate students enrolled in LSU advanced degree programs may not teach other LSU graduate students for graduate credit.”

Gansle motioned to approve the proposal, Frick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROMOTION & TENURE

No report.

GRADUATE FACULTY

No report.

AWARDS

No report.

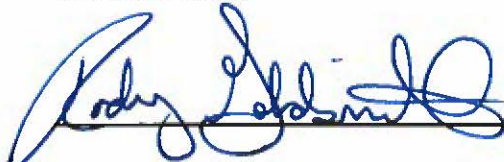
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:34 PM

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, December 2 at 2 pm in 135 Thomas Boyd Hall.

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