

Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

CHAIRED BY: Chuck Wight

TIME: 3:00 PM

DATE: April 30, 2012

PLACE: 300 Park

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Ed Barbanell, Ben Bromley, Lee Ellington, Nan Ellin, Emma Gross, Eric Hinderaker, Vladimir Hlady, Terry Kogan, Chris Lippard, Allyson Mower, Jeff Stratman, Lora Tuesday-Heathfield, Chuck Wight, Karen Wilcox

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Nan Ellin, Emma Gross, Michael Jensen, Ed Ruddell, Bianca Shreeve

FINAL AGENDA

1. Minutes

Vote: Approved Unanimously
Abstained: None
Comments: None

2. Discussion of Program Review Follow-Ups

Suggestion of a 3 year review follow-up with the Dean, Dean of The Graduate School, and Associate Dean. Will give the Deans a chance to express how they have been working on their progress from the initial program review. This will also let the departments know that the Graduate School is keeping an eye out to make sure departments are working on the recommendations.

Comments: None

3. Graduate Council review for Marketing

Lee Ellington presented. The department has lost 4 faculty, one of which was prominent in the department. They currently have multiple BA programs, a PhD program, but have declining number of students. Research productivity is high, various funding resources, and student morale is high. Recommendations include narrowing and focusing their electives to the faculty's strengths.

Vote: Approved Unanimously
Abstained: None
Comments: Approved as amended

4. MS Secondary School Teachers in Earth Science

Holly Godsey CSME, Hugo Rossi, Peter Trombi and presented. Introducing a new interdisciplinary track. The degree already exists in the College of Science. The program will be for Earth Science and a new degree needed to be created because Earth Science is within the Department of Mines and Earth Sciences and not necessarily the College of Science. The need for more content minded teachers is high. In 2009, a cohort of 16 math teachers started and have since graduated. The degree will be administered by the MSSST committee which already exists, but will be housed within a different department.

Vote: Approved
Abstained: None

Comments: Approved pending a revised proposal and letter of support from the Marriott Library.

5. Proposal for Ecological Planning Center

The proposal will be reviewed for provisional approval and not by the Graduate Council committee.

Vote: None
Abstained: None
Comments: None

6. Proposal for BS/MS Information Systems

John Soldan and Andrea Miller from the School of Business presented. Currently, there is some overlap and redundancy by having the programs run independently. The program would encompass a total of 152 credit hours, giving the student the advantage of taking graduate courses sooner.

Vote: Approved
Abstained: None
Comments: Approved as amended.

7. Graduate Council Review for School of Architecture

Lora Tuesday-Heathfield presented. The department has various programs, including dual programs. The director conducts exit interviews with all undergraduates and graduates.

Vote: Approved
Abstained: None
Comments: Approved as amended.

8. Graduate Council Review for Medicinal Chemistry

Chris Lippard presented. Strong department with excellent faculty with national prominence, the main concern, however, is how to increase graduate student numbers. They have a new building which is close to being done. Have responded well to the previous report and its recommendations. There is general agreement to grow their graduate program.

Vote: Approved
Abstained: None
Comments: Approved as amended.