

# Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

CHAired BY: David Kieda

TIME: 3:00 pm

DATE: February 26, 2018

PLACE: Winder Boardroom

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristin Cloyes, Douglas Christensen, Lara Rheinemann, David Blair, Arul Mishra, Jeffrey Moore, Joanna Bettmann-Schaefer, Isabel Dulfano, Laura Kessler, Lis Pankl, Anthea Letsou, James Agutter, Richard Paine

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: David Kieda, Katharine Ullman, Ann Darling

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Rena D'Souza, Karen Johnson, Lien Shen, Julie Wambaugh, Christopher Reilly, Christopher Stringham

## AGENDA

### 1. Welcome

David Kieda of the Graduate School welcomed the Graduate Council.

### 2. Proposal: Graduate Certificate in International Affairs & Global Enterprise

John Ott & Elizabeth Henke of MIAGE presented the Graduate Certificate in International Affairs & Global Enterprise to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professor Ott & Ms. Henke.

Vote: approve with amendments; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments: The Council provisionally approved the Certificate proposal, contingent on the proposers providing letters of support from the Dean of Humanities and the Program Directors/Chairs of Asian Studies, Latin American Studies, and World Languages and Literature departments. Further, the proposal should adjust the Expected Learning Outcomes and Outcomes Assessment in consultation with Learning Outcomes Assessment representatives.

Note: Following the meeting, the ELOs/OAs were independently reviewed and approved by the Office of Learning Outcomes Assessment.

### 3. Proposal: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute (Full Status)

Natalie Gochnour & Jennifer Lynn Robinson of the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute presented the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute (Full Status) to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professors Gochnour & Robinson.

Vote: approve with amendments; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments: The Council provisionally approved the Institute proposal, contingent on the Institute providing documentation of management structure, management of Institute resources, and policy regarding potential conflicts of interest. The Council also recommends the proposers request a letter of support from the Dean of Social & Behavioral Science.

**4. Proposal: Certificate in Emergency Health**

Steve Alder & Kim Shoaf of Family & Preventive Medicine presented the Certificate in Emergency Health to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professors Alder & Shoaf.

Vote: approve with amendments; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments: The Council provisionally approved the Certificate proposal, contingent on the proposers providing a letter of support from the Chair of the Geography department. Further, the proposers should consult the Learning Outcomes Assessment office regarding their Expected Learning Outcomes and Outcomes Assessment before proceeding.

Note: Following the meeting, the ELOs/OAs were independently reviewed and approved by the Office of Learning Outcomes Assessment.

**5. Proposal: Human Development & Social Policy PhD**

Jessie X. Fan of Family & Consumer Studies presented the Human Development & Social Policy PhD to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professor Fan.

Vote: approve with amendments; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments: The Council provisionally approved the proposal, contingent on the adjustment of the proposal so that it clearly states that the PhD is 68 credits, with 35 core and 33 elective credits. The Graduate School can assist the proposers with formatting of the spreadsheet if needed.

**6. Proposal: Name Change of Department of Bioengineering to Biomedical Engineering**

David Grainger of Bioengineering presented the Name Change of Department of Bioengineering to Biomedical Engineering to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professor Grainger.

Vote: approve; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments:

**7. Review: Psychology Department**

Jeffrey Moore of the College of Mines & Earth Sciences presented the Psychology Department Review to the Council. All questions of the Council were answered by Professor Moore.

Vote: approve with amendments; unanimous

Abstained:

Comments: The Council proposed adding wording regarding racial diversity in the department and to avoid subjective wording in recommendations.

**8. Discussion: Graduate Students on Admissions Committees**

Dean David Kieda led a discussion regarding whether interim policy regarding the inclusion of graduate students in departmental admissions committees should be drafted by the Council. The Council resolved to consult with General Counsel regarding possible risks of violating FERPA and revisit this subject in a later meeting.

**9. Discussion: Graduate Assembly**

Dean David Kieda informed the Graduate Council that a student proposal to form an ad hoc committee for the development of a Graduate Assembly was being reviewed by the Academic Senate. After this discussion, the Graduate Council unanimously endorsed the proposal.

Time of Adjournment 5:00pm.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held Monday, March 26, 2018.