



**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** Reject the proposed graduate certificate in Integrated Petroleum and Environmental Geosystems.

**Vote:** Approved unanimously

**Action:** Inform the College of Engineering, the Department of Geology and Geophysics, and the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (including EGI) of the Graduate Council decision not to approve the proposed certificate.

3. **Proposal to Create the Graduate Degree in Doctor of Nursing Practice**

Susan Beck and Patricia Murphy of the College of Nursing presented the proposal to create a graduate degree Doctor of Nursing Practice.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing has mandated that the currently level of preparation necessary for advanced practice nursing practice roles be moved from the master's to the practice doctorate by the year 2015. Having observed the transition in the three other programs with a doctorate of nursing practice in place, the College of Nursing is ready to implement the new degree. The College of Nursing has a tradition of being at the forefront of such curricular reform.

After the proposal was presented and questions from the Council answered, Pat Murphy was excused from the discussion among the Council.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion:** Approve the proposal to create a graduate degree in Doctor of Nursing Practice

**Vote:** Approved unanimously

**Action:** Request the College of Nursing create a section in the proposal explicitly addressing the plan for joint degrees Doctor of Nursing Practice with Masters in Healthcare Administration and Doctor of Nursing Practice with Master's in Public Health. Inform College of Nursing of the Graduate Council approval of the graduate degree in Doctor of Nursing Practice and two joint degrees.

4. **Review of the Division of Nutrition, College of Health**

The review of the Division of Nutrition, College of Health will be considered at the next Graduate Council meeting.