

Graduate Council Minutes

Feb 28, 2019

DE 1017 3:30-5:00 pm

1. Minutes approved from Jan 31, 2019
2. Sub Committee Reports
 - a. Student Affairs- no report
 - b. Program and Curriculum
 - MA Integrated Marketing Communication **PASS**
 - Conversation regarding “repeatable” option on course form. Jeanne decided that she would remove the repeatable option for all courses except the Summer Residency and the Capstone.
 - After discussion, Jeanne decided to strike the “B-” minimum for the courses and instead use the default of C.
 - c. Policy & Planning
 - Discussed proposed changes. Overall comment was that we need to emphasize that these policies enforce minimum standards. Programs may publish policies that exceed these expectations.
 - Retention Policy **PASS**

Three grades of C (including all undergraduate C grades taken as a graduate student), one grade of F or I/F, or one grade of U or I/U (e.g. thesis/dissertation) results in dismissal from the graduate program. Further, if a student falls below a 3.0 GPA at any time, he or she goes on academic probation and has either three subsequent courses or nine hours to bring the GPA up to at least a 3.0. In addition, a student must have at least a 3.0 GPA in order to begin any program-specific ~~comprehensive examination, and/or thesis work, or exit requirement~~. Please note that individual programs may have a more rigorous retention policy, so it is important to know the retention policy of your specific program. Likewise, individual programs may allow students to reapply for admission after a designated period of waiting following dismissal. ~~Students should contact their program coordinators for additional information.~~

- Final Examination Policy **SEND BACK TO COMMITTEE**

Council felt there were too many issues needing to be addressed to vote. One was writing a policy for online courses? What should the policy be? Some don't give exams, so culminating assessment should be used instead. This policy will go back to the subcommittee for additional revisions. We will examine in March meeting.

- Master's Degree Examination **SEND BACK TO COMMITTEE**

Want to change to exit requirement as many programs do not use an examination. Need to discuss appeal process. Does committee review need to be included? Should we refer individuals to program guidelines? Let's look at other institutions to see what they are doing in this regard.

- Registration **PASS**

No minimum number of hours is required for official registration; however, specified maximum course loads must not be exceeded. Students in graduate programs are permitted to register for no more than 15 hours in any one traditional semester, while OAP students may register for no more than 6 hours in any one term. Course loads for students who have service appointments will be determined on an individual basis. A student enrolled in the summer may not register for, and will not receive credit for, more than six hours a term.

For registration ~~and preregistration~~ dates please refer to the ~~Office of the~~ Registrar's website. ~~Calendar of Events: (<http://www.uncw.edu/reg/calendars.htm>)-~~

o Continuous Registration Policy **NO VOTE**

Council discussed whether or not we should automatically enroll students in the 600 course when they need it to graduate. Perhaps we can add something to the graduation application in which students check a box to acknowledge they will be enrolled if they are not otherwise actively enrolled (to meet the current policy). More discussion at next meeting.

3. New/Old Business

a. Social Media Campaign

- Jeanne Persuit updated us on her undergraduates' progress on helping with the Graduate School social media- Facebook, Twitter, and perhaps later, Instagram. They will be reaching out to conduct "student spotlights" whereby a star student can be featured. Jeanne encouraged everyone to send pictures and they will re-tweet. Open House info is on the sites now.

b. Open House

- Kimberly Harris of Admissions reminded us about Open House March 21 and gave flyers to distribute.

c. Digital Dissertation **PASS**

- Lucy Holman, University Librarian, updated us on the conversations with doctoral program faculty regarding the opportunity to share dissertations digitally through a service. The service is free to students and will allow them to post their work and have access to other students' works. Her conversation with the programs indicated they are ready for Graduate Council to make some sort of decision about the logistics. *The Council voted to make this the expectation for all doctoral students, but individual students or advisors can opt out if they wish.* It will not be a requirement from the Graduate School for degree completion.

4. Graduate Faculty Approvals

Francisco Brignole, World Languages & Cultures, five year appointment
Vernon Cronen, Communications Studies, special three year appointment
Christopher Elliott, Sociology & Criminology, five year appointment
Hayley Estrem, School of Nursing, three year appointment
Marni Ferner, Computer Science, special three year appointment
Alyson Fleming, Biology & Marine Biology, special three year appointment
Michael Gordon, World Languages & Cultures, five year appointment
Cara Gray, School of Health & Applied Human Services, three year appointment
Ethan Higgins, Sociology & Criminology, three year appointment
Danny Johnson, School of Health & Applied Human Services, five year appointment
Thomas Kunz, Graduate Liberal Studies, special 5 year appointment
Thomas Losordo, Center for Marine Science, special five year appointment
Sally MacKain, Psychology, five year appointment
David MacQueen, Psychology, three year appointment
Michelle McEwen-Campbell, School of Nursing, special one year appointment
Nora Noel, Psychology, five year appointment
Ruthanne Palumbo, School of Nursing, special one year appointment
Todd Peterson, Psychology, three year appointment
Anka Roberto, School of Nursing, three year appointment
Meghan Rogers, Sociology & Criminology, three year appointment
Spencer Roylance, Earth & Ocean Sciences, special three year appointment

Lindsey Schroeder, School of Health & Applied Human Services, three year appointment
William Sackley, Economics & Finance, 5 year appointment
Megumi Shimizu, Chemistry & Biochemistry, three year appointment
Justin Smith, Sociology & Criminology, three year appointment
Wayland Tseh, School of Health & Applied Human Services, three year appointment
Jennifer Vanderminden, Sociology & Criminology, five year appointment
Elizabeth Walters, Chemistry & Biochemistry, special three year appointment
Steven Zinder, School of Health & Applied Human Services, three year appointment

5. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 28 at 3:30, DePaulo Conference Room
6. Adjourned at 5:00 pm