

## GRADUATE COUNCIL

### Agenda

Thursday, September 24 2020, 3:30 PM

<https://uncw.zoom.us/j/96392907696?pwd=eUxESnkvUEtHZkUxeUYzSytWcjVxZz09>

- I. **Approval of previous minutes**
- II. **Announcements**
- III. **Old Business**
  - a. Double counting policy, dual degree programs, microcredentials and stacking
  - b. Grad Council 2019-2020 priorities discussion
- IV. **New Business**
  - a. New Certificate Program in Dual Language Teaching
  - b. Foreign language exam policy

#### Admissions – International Students

International students must present evidence of their ability to speak, read, and write the English language and to meet fully the financial obligations associated with their study at the University. Students from foreign countries where English is not the primary language or that did not earn their baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited US institution, must present the results of the TOEFL examination (Test of English as a Foreign Language), IELTS (International English Language Testing System), or Duolingo English Test as a part of their application for admission. TOEFL, IELTS, and Duolingo scores are valid for two years from the date the test is administered. A minimum score of 550 on the TOEFL paper test, 79 on the Internet-based test (TOEFL iBT), 6.5 on the IELTS, or 100 on the Duolingo English Test is required for admission. Please note that satisfactory performance on one of these tests is a requirement for admission, but does not guarantee acceptance to the university. A financial responsibility statement must also be submitted.

In addition to the TOEFL, international applicants who do not speak English as a primary language and who wish to become teaching assistants are required to demonstrate competence in oral communication skills if the teaching assistantship involves classroom instruction, laboratory instruction, or tutoring. A minimum score of 45 on the Test of Spoken English (TSE) or a minimum of 25 on the speaking section of the TOEFL iBT or a comparable score on an equivalent test is required to be eligible for an instructional assignment. Minimum score criteria may be higher for some graduate programs.

- c. AY 20-21 Scholarship process

#### V. **Other**

## **VI. Adjourn**

### Future Meetings

October 29, 2020

November 19, 2020

December 10, 2020

January 28, 2021

February 25, 2021

March 25, 2021

April 29, 2021