University Graduate Programs Committee  
October 2, 2019  
Meeting Minutes

Present: Susan Bulfin, Nursing; Kenneth Frankel, Library; Adam Bradford, GPC Chair, A&L; Stephen Charbonneau, A&L; Manny Gonzalez, CDSI; Xupei Huang, Medicine; Sunghae Ress, Library; Darren Pikul, GPSA; Ramesh Teegavarapu, Engineering; Christopher Beetle, Science;  

Others Present: Nancy Condemi, Graduate College; Robert Stackman, Graduate College; Brian Hodge, Registrar; Joy McClellan, CDSI; Karina Cruz, GPSA; Mark Di Corcia, Medicine; Cassandra Atkin-Plunk, CDSI; Kathryn McCormic, CDSI;  

Absent: Anita Pennathur, Business; Paul Peluso, UGC Chair, Education; Sabrina Sembiante, Education;  

I. Meeting called to order by GPC Chair, Adam Bradford at 2:01 pm.  
II. Brief announcements and discussions:  
   a. Graduate College Dean announced that Brian Farrell will be replacing Nancy Condemi for all GPC and UGC related matters.  
III. The minutes from the last GPC meeting on September 11th were unanimously approved.  
IV. The below items/curriculum proposals were reviewed:  

**New Curriculum Proposals for October 2, 2019**

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**Reviewers by College: Library, Science**

**Reviewers by College: Arts & Letters, CDSI**

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Reviewers by College: Nursing, Science

| Course Change | MDE8011- Elective Rotation | Medicine | 6-12 | AC (changes made) |

Reviewers by College: Medicine, Business, Engineering

| Program Change | Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) | Nursing | N/A | A |

Reviewers by College: Engineering, Business

| Program Change | MS Environmental Science | Science | N/A | A |

A: Approved, AC: Approved with changes, T: Tabled

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**CDSI**

i. The Course Change Request for - SOW6653- Social Work Practice with Vulnerable Children and Families was approved unanimously by the committee.

ii. The New Course Proposal for SOW6359- Couple Therapy in Social Work Practice was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon added the supporting emails from perspective departments that this course does not interfere with other programs and adding the CAPS statement to the syllabus.

iii. The Program Change Request for Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice was approved unanimously by the committee.

iv. The Program Change Request for Graduate Certificate in Addictions was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon adding the catalog language that includes a note indicating that all the elective credits are required to complete the certificate.

v. The Program Change Request for School of Social Work was approved unanimously by the committee.

**Education**

i. The Course Change Request for BME5937- MHS7402- Advanced Counseling Theories: Brief Therapies was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon attaching the remaining pages of the syllabus including the CAPS statement, disability statement and academic integrity policy.

i. The New Course Proposal for EDF6499- Discourse Analysis in Education was tabled until next GPC meeting October 30, 2019 by the committee contingent upon adding a memo from Arts & Letters indicating this course does not interfere with their courses for English, Communication Studies and Linguistics.

**Medicine**

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i. The Course Change Request for MDE8011- Elective Rotation was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon adding the rationale for the request and changing the “and” on pg. 3 to “or” for “3rd or 4th year”.

**Nursing**

i. The Program Change Request for Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) was approved unanimously by the committee.

**Science**

ii. The Program Change Request for MS Environmental Science was approved unanimously by the committee.

V. The Graduate Governance document attached above as an Addition Discussion Item was discussed.

a. The committee had a positive response and welcomed the changes proposed
b. Some verbiage changes were discussed
c. Will bring to UGC for discussion

VI. Darren Pikul announced the following:

a. GPSA has a new employee, Karina Cruz, GPSA Student Associate Director.
b. GPSA has 20 free TedEx tickets to giveaway to students for the event at Barry Kay Hall on October 26th.
c. November 11th there is a speed reading event.
d. November 25th there will be a Graduate student recognition event and award ceremony.
   1. GPSA will be reaching out to departments for nominations
e. The travel budget is being used by graduate students.

VII. 3MT will be in April 2020 and will incorporate GPSA’s Research Day.

a. Sunghae Ress announced that the past 3MT videos are uploaded in the Library’s repository.

VIII. Meeting adjourned by Adam Bradford, GPC Chair, at 3:12 p.m.

*The next Graduate Programs Committee meeting is October 30, 2019*