

November 2, 2022
University Graduate Programs Committee

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Anita Pennathur, Eric Berlatsky, Art Sementelli, Danielle Groton, Paul Peluso, Mihaela Cardei, Chair, Thomas O'Brien, Beth King, Louis Merlin.

Guests: Marie Claire DeMassi, Debra Szabo, Robert Stackman, William Kalies, Michelle Petersen, W. Randy Brooks, Dan Meeroff, Mary Ann Gosser, Hanqu Zhuang, Qi Zhang, Carol Bishop Mills, Nicole Morse, Christine Kraft

- I. Meeting called to order by Mihaela Cardei, Chair, at 2:02 pm.
- II. Announcements/Discussion Items
- III. The minutes from the last GPC Meeting held on October 5, 2022 were unanimously approved.
- IV. Curricula items submitted for review and approval by GPC

New Curriculum Proposals for November 2, 2022

Curriculum Document Type	Title	College (Department)	Credit	Action
	<u>Reviewers by College: Education, Engineering & Computer Science</u>			
Program Change	Ph.D. in Comparative Studies-no GRE	Arts & Letters		A
Program Change	MA Communication Reduce hours to 30	Arts & Letters		AC
New Course Proposal	COM 5708 The Dark Side of Communication	Arts & Letters	3	AC
New Course Proposal	DIG 5434 Digital Media Storytelling	Arts & Letters	3	A
Course Change	WST 6185 Women, Gender, and Sexuality	Arts & Letters		A
New Program	MA Communication Online	Arts & Letters		AC
New Program	Graduate Certificate SAGE	Arts & Letters		T
	Reviewers by College: Nursing, Science			
	None	Business		
	Reviewers by College: Engineering & Computer Science, Business			
Program Change	M.Ed. Exceptional Student Education	Education		A
Course Change	EEX 6515 Special Education Policy & Leadership	Education		A
New Course Proposal	EEX 6320 Program Evaluation of SE Programs, Supports & Services	Education	3	A

	Reviewers by College: Nursing, Science			
Program Change	BS Nursing to MS Major in Biomedical Engineering	Engineering & Computer Science		A
Program Change	Artificial Intelligence Graduate Certificate	Engineering & Computer Science		A
Program Change	Artificial Intelligence Minor	Engineering & Computer Science		A
Program Change	BSEE to MS with Major in Computer Engineering	Engineering & Computer Science		A
Program Change	Graduate Cybersecurity Certificate	Engineering & Computer Science		A
Program Change	MS in Biomedical Engineering	Engineering & Computer Science		A
New Course Proposal	CAP 6547 Databases for Bioinformatics	Engineering & Computer Science	3	A
New Course Proposal	BME 6767 Algorithms in Bioinformatics	Engineering & Computer Science	3	A
New Course Proposal	CAP 6517 Computational Genomics	Engineering & Computer Science	3	A
New Course Proposal	CAP 5548 Data Structures and Algorithms	Engineering & Computer Science	3	A
	Reviewers by College: Business, SWCJ			
	None	Library		
	Reviewers by College: Science, Nursing			
	None	Medicine & Biomedical Science		
	Reviewers by College: Arts & Letters, Medicine & Biomedical Science			
	None	Nursing		
	Reviewers by College: SWCJ, Medicine/Biomedical Science			
Program Change	Environmental Science- Change Fall Deadline Jan 15	Science		AC
Program Change	MS Biology increase to 6 credits	Science		A
Program Change	MS Non-Thesis Option 1	Science		A
Program Change	MST Non-Thesis Option 2	Science		A
Program Change	Master of Urban & Regional Planning GRE optional	Science		A
New Course Proposal	CHM 6177 Bioanalytical Methods and Applications	Science	2	AC
New Course Proposal	CHM 6936 Current Topics in Bioanalysis	Science	1	AC

	Reviewers by College: Arts & Letters, Education			
	None	Social Work & Criminal Justice		
	Additional Discussion Items			
New Program Change Program	Honors in the Major Programs UHC propose add graduate courses to program			A

A: Approved; AC: Approved Contingent on changes being made; T: Tabled

A. Arts & Letters

1. Program Change: Ph.D. in Comparative Studies-No GRE
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
2. Program Change: MA Communication Reduce hours to 30 credits
 - a) Request from Deb Szabo for a statement that the reduced credits do not dilute the rigor of the program.
 - b) Motion and second to approve, as amended.
3. New Course Proposal: COM 5708 the Dark Side of Communication at Work
 - a) Need to add additional description.
 - b) Motion and second to approve, as amended.
4. New Course Proposal: DIG 5434 Digital Media Storytelling
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
5. Course Change: WST 6185 Women, Gender, and Sexuality
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
6. New Programs: MA Communication Online and Graduate Certificate Sage
 - a) Both items tabled.

B. Education

1. Program Change: M.Ed. Exceptional Student Education
2. Course Change: EEX 6515 Special Education Policy & Leadership
3. New Course Proposal: EEX 6320 Program Evaluation SE Programs, Supports
 - a) Motion to group all three together and approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.

C. Engineering & Computer Science

1. Program Change: BS Nursing to MS Major in Biomedical Engineering
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
2. Program Change: Artificial Intelligence Graduate Certificate
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
3. Program Change: Artificial Intelligence Minor
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
4. Program Change: BSEE to MS with Major in Computer Engineering
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
5. Program Change: Graduate Cybersecurity Certificate
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
6. Program Change: MS in Biomedical Engineering
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.

7. New Course Proposal: CAP 6547 Databases for Bioinformatics
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
8. New Course Proposal: BME 6767 Algorithms in Bioinformatics
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
9. New Course Proposal: CAP 6517 Computational Genomics
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
10. New Course Proposal: 5548 Data Structures and Algorithms
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.

D. Science

1. Program Change: Environmental Science – Change Fall Deadline to Jan 15
 - a) Request was made to make the change effective for Fall 2024.
 - b) Motion and second to approve, as amended.
 - c) Approved, as amended.
2. Program Change: MS Biology- Increase to 6 credits
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
3. Program Change: MS Non-thesis Option 1
4. MST Non-thesis Option 2
 - a) Motion and second to combine and approve both, as is.
 - b) Both approved, as is.
5. Program Change: Master of Urban & Regional Planning GRE optional
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.
6. New Course Proposal: CHM 6177 Bioanalytical Methods and Applications
7. New Course Proposal: CHM 6936 Current Topics in Bioanalysis
 - a) Marie Clair stated that the course description for both items is too long for the catalog and needs to be limited to the space allowed for the catalog.
 - b) Motion and second to approve, as amended.
 - c) Approved, as amended.

E. Additional Items University Honors Council (UHC)

1. New Program/Change Program: Honors in the Major Programs
 - a) Motion and second to approve, as is.
 - b) Approved, as is.

Additional Discussion Items

The Dean of the Graduate College, Dr. Bob Stackman announced that the Graduate College Recruitment Workshop will be held via Zoom on Thursday, November 10th 9:00am-10:30am.

Dean Stackman also informed the group that a new offer letter has been crafted and will be presented at the upcoming UGC meeting on November 9th.

Meeting adjourned by Mihaela Cardei, Chair, at 3:50pm

The next Graduate Program Committee meeting will be on Thursday, December 8, 2022.