

**FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY**

**University Graduate Council**

**Wednesday, October 15, 2014**

**Student Support Services, SU 80, Room 132**

**Present:** Aloha Balza, GPSA; Doug Broadfield, Arts & Letters; Elwood Hamlin, II, CDSI; Ken Johnson, Business; William McDaniel, Business; David Newman, Nursing; Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi, Medicine; Paul Peluso, Education and UGC Chair; Charles Roberts, Science; Jason Robison, GPSA; John Smykla, CDSI; Zhixiao Xie, Science

**Others Present:** Aleksandar Stevanovic, Engineering & Computer Science; Dr. Deborah Floyd - Interim Dean, Graduate College; Susan Fulks - Associate Dean, Graduate College; Other Graduate College staff attending: Nancy Diamond, Admissions/Registrar Officer; Althia Ellis, Assistant to the Dean

**Absent:** Ali Zilouchian, Engineering; Chris Beetle, Science; Ramon Garcia-Areas, GPSA; William Rhodes, Engineering and Computer Science

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Dr. Paul Peluso.

**I. Call to Order, Sign In and Introductions**

**II. Review and Approve Agenda (distributed in advance)**

**III. Approve minutes from the September 10, 2014 meeting**

The minutes were unanimously approved by the council.

**IV. Task Force on Graduate Student Life**

- a. The committee is soliciting from the UGC any available resources that will benefit graduate students. Any wish list items the UGC representatives would like to mention should be forwarded to Dr. Peluso or Susan Fulks, who will forward them to the sub-committee conducting an inventory of current resources.
- b. IBM SPSS 22 and other virtual Apps are available to students for free on the FAU website. These resources will be posted in the next Graduate College newsletter.
- c. The Graduate College is partnering with the Office of International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) to solidify PAR conditional admissions procedures. The issue was discussed at the 10/9/14 Graduate Associate Deans Committee meeting.
- d. GPSA is addressing student housing issues with the Task force on Graduate Student Life. Part time graduate students often do not enjoy all the benefits the university provides, such as use of travel funds for academic activities.

**V. President and Provost Visit to Departments and UGC**

- a. Dr. Peluso reported that the President and Provost's meeting with the Counselor and Education Department was a positive encounter. He prepared a five-minute overview of the strengths of the department, which was shared with the President and Provost. The

group also discussed some pillars of excellence that will help jettison FAU to national prominence while holding administrators accountable to their commitment to student success. The President and Provost will visit the UGC on 11/13/14.

- b. As the President and Provost conduct their visits, it is important that faculty articulate the needs of students and any solutions in support of graduate programs. Departments are encouraged to prepare a five-minute presentation with highlights to share with the President and Provost.
- c. A presentation by Dr. George Kuh emphasized high impact practices, such as tailoring/improving operational systems to achieve student success.

**VI. Report and Recommendations from the University Graduate Programs Committee (UGPC)**

- a. Consent agenda – new courses were approved by the UGPC.

**University Graduate Programs Committee: Consent Agenda- October 8, 2014**

**1. College for Design and Social Inquiry**

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
URP 6101	Planning Process And Skills	N/A		
URP 6200	Planimetrics	3		

**2. Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine**

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
PCB 5283	Immunology Seminar	1		
PCB 5849	Neurobiology of Addiction	3		
PCB 6665	Human Genetics	3		
MDC 7150	Geriatrics and Palliative Care Clerkship	N/A		
MDC 7600	Surgery Clerkship	25		
MDC 7830	Psychiatry Clerkship	20		
MDC 7200	Internal Medicine Clerkship	25		

**3. College of Business**

	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Tax 6525	International Taxation	N/A		
FIN 6455	Financial Modeling	2		
FIN 6456	Quantitative Methods in Finance	2		
FIN 6517	Security Analysis	3		
FIN 6558	Financial Ethics	2		
ISM 6127	Data Mining and Data Warehousing	3		
RMI6016	Principles of Insurance	3		

RMI6118	<b>Life Insurance and Pensions</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6299	<b>Hospitality Operations: A Case Approach</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6467	<b>Strategic Finance in Hospitality Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6503	<b>Contemporary Issues in Hospitality Marketing</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6546	<b>Strategies for Excellence in Guest Service Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6741	<b>Meetings and Events Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
HFT 6930	<b>Directed Independent Study in Hospitality Management</b>	<b>3</b>		

#### 4. College of Education

	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
EDF 5126	<b>Early and Middle Childhood</b>	<b>3</b>		
EDF 6138	<b>Adolescence and Young Adulthood in Educational Psychology</b>	<b>3</b>		
EDF 6944	<b>Field Project in Educational Psychology</b>	<b>3</b>		
MHS 6466	<b>Traumatic Stress, Trauma, and Crisis Counseling</b>	<b>3</b>		
MHS 6710	<b>Research in Counseling</b>	<b>3</b>		

#### 5. College of Engineering and Computer Science

	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
CCE 5036	<b>Civil Engineering Project Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
CEG 5304	<b>Terrestrial Laser Scanning</b>	<b>3</b>		
CEG 6708	<b>Groundwater Contamination</b>	<b>3</b>		
CGN 5715	<b>Advanced Energy Engineering/Energy Engineering</b>	<b>3</b>		
CGN 6506	<b>Infrastructure Maintenance and Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 5308	<b>Stormwater Modeling and Management</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 6125	<b>Groundwater Flow</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 6235	<b>Open Channel Hydraulics</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 6236	<b>River Mechanics and Sediment Transport</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 6525	<b>Dynamic Hydrology</b>	<b>3</b>		
CWR 6818	<b>Water Resources Systems</b>	<b>3</b>		
ENV 5565	<b>Hydraulic Systems Engineering</b>	<b>3</b>		
ENV 6025	<b>Modeling Methods in Water</b>	<b>3</b>		

	<b>Resources and Environmental Engineering</b>			
ENV 6668	<b>Environmental Systems and Processes</b>	3		
ENV 6932	<b>Sustainability and Pollution Prevention</b>	3		
TTE 5501	<b>Transportation System Analysis</b>	3		
TTE 6259	<b>Traffic Signal Systems</b>	3		
TTE 6272	<b>Intelligent Transportation Systems</b>	3		
TTE 6506	<b>Maritime Freight Operations</b>	3		
TTE 6505	<b>Highway Traffic Characteristics and Measurements</b>	3		
TTE 6507	<b>Transportation and Supply Systems</b>	3		
TTE 6651	<b>Sustainable Public Transportation</b>	3		

#### 6. Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
NGR 6172	<b>Advance Pharmacotherapeutics</b>	3		
NGR 6002	<b>Advanced Health Assessment</b>	2		
NGR 6605L	<b>Primary Care 2 Practicum</b>	3		
NGR6773	<b>Clinical Nurse Leader Practicum Seminar: Advanced Nursing Situations</b>	1-3		

- b. Action agenda – 3 programs moving forward – Education. Moved by Dr. Daniel.  
Approved

#### University Graduate Programs Committee: Action Agenda- October 8, 2014

##### 1. Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters:

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Program Change	<b>Master of Arts and Master of Arts in Teaching</b>	N/A		

##### 2. College of Business

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Change	<b>MBA Concentration in Entrepreneurship</b>	N/A		
Program Change	<b>Master of Accounting, Master of Taxation, Master of Business Administration-Concentrations-</b>	N/A		

	<b>Accounting Concentration</b>			
Program Change-Finance	<b>Master of Science in Finance</b>	N/A		
Memo	<b>MBA Concentration in Hospitality Management</b>	N/A		
Memo	<b>MBA Certificate in Hospitality Management</b>	N/A		

### 3. College of Education

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Proposal	<b>M. Ed. in Instructional Technology</b>	N/A		
Proposal	<b>M.Ed. in Educational Psychology</b>	N/A		
Proposal	<b>M.Ed. in Secondary Ed. Plus Certification</b>			
Program Change	<b>Masters of Education with Major in Counselor Education</b>	N/A		

### 4. Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Program Change	<b>MSN- Catalog Change</b>	N/A		
Program Change	<b>BSN-DNP</b>	N/A		

### 5. Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Course	Title	Credit	Action	Recommendation from Steering
Program Change	<b>Doctor of Philosophy in Geosciences</b>	N/A		

## VII. Interim Graduate Dean's report

### a. Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) – April 15 Resolution

The CGS gives students a deadline of April 15 to indicate their acceptance of any financial assistance, such as scholarships, fellowships, traineeships, or assistantships.

Any acceptances in force after April 15 will be viewed as binding and both the institution and the student must honor the agreement. A copy of the Resolution or a link to the URL should accompany every scholarship, fellowship, traineeship, and assistantship offer. A link to the resolution will be posted on the Graduate College website. In the meantime, the university attorney will be asked to review the Resolution and provide legal guidance. The issue will be discussed again at the next UGC meeting.

### b. Articulation Agreements

A Florida Department of Education spreadsheet shows the state colleges that offer baccalaureate programs. Some of these colleges are hosting recruiting events to allow

state and private institutions to attract undergraduate students. Graduate associate deans were asked to determine whether their colleges have any articulation agreements or letters of understanding with any of the state colleges and report to the UGC at the next meeting. A copy of the spreadsheet of colleges and baccalaureate programs will also be emailed to the UGC.

It was also reported that tuition rates are lower at the state colleges, which might attract more students.

**c. Library requirements for manuscript copies**

Now that students are required to submit their manuscript electronically, colleges may wish to revisit the requirements for submission of paper copies. The link to this information will be emailed to the UGC and the matter will be discussed further at the next UGC meeting.

**VIII. Announcements**

- a. Jason Robison announced that the GPSA is accepting nominations for the annual Owl Awards to recognize outstanding members of the graduate student body.
- b. The Graduate Fellowship Awards reception is scheduled for Thursday, October 23.
- c. The Graduate Open House is scheduled for Thursday, October 6.

IX. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 3:21 pm.