Graduate Council Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2019 – 3:30-5:00 p.m.
IRIC 305

| X  | Jerry McMurtry | X  | Gordon Murdoch (At-Large/CALS) | X  | David Tank (COS) |
| X  | Dan Cronan (CAA) | X  | Kelly Quinnett (CLASS) | X  | Elowyn Yager (At-Large/ENGR) |
| X  | Jeff Bailey (CBE) | X  | Penny Tenuto (EHHS) | X  | Ata Zadehgol (ENGR) |
| X  | Robert Heinse (At-Large/UWP) | Alistair Smith (CNR) | X  | Jordan Hardy (GPSA) |
| X  | Kristin Henrich (Library) | X  | Daniel Strawn (CALS) | X  | Connor Hill (GPSA) |

I. Approval of the minutes from October 2, 2019
   • Quinnett moved to approve. Seconded by Strawn.
   • Approved with 2 abstentions – Heinse, Tenuto.

II. Announcements and Reports
   A. Introduce Penny Tenuto (EHHS)
      • Penny is the representative from EHHS through Fall 2019
   B. LSAMP Update
      • 4 students have been identified for this program.
   C. Library reported that the Elsevier contract is being renegotiated. Not yet sure what will be lost.

III. Old Business
   A. Transfer of 300/400 Level Courses from Other Institutions (attachment)
      • The catalog language for transfer credits was amended to say that courses transferred must be on a post-bachelors or graduate transcript and must be at the 400 level or above.
      • Hardy moved to approve. Seconded by Quinnett.
      • Approved unanimously.
   B. 500/600 Credits on Non-Thesis Degrees (attachment)
      • Catalog language concerning credits allowed on a non-thesis master’s degree was discussed. Councilmembers discussed whether 500 and/or 600 credits should be counted toward a non-thesis degree.
      • Comments:
        -“The lab is a classroom; therefore, they should count.”
        -Sometimes in Anthropology, for example, a student intends to do a thesis, but what they get from the dig they do does not elicit a thesis, so they have to switch to a non-thesis.
        -It was reported that some engineering faculty are opposed to using 500 credits on a non-thesis degree. A/B work in 500 research does not necessarily equal coursework.
        -COGS has been handling this issue on a case-by-case basis. It is time to have a guideline created.
      • Murdoch suggested allowing a maximum of 6 credits on a non-thesis degree.
      • Yager: could they then use 12 credits of non-coursework on a non-thesis degree?
      • McMurtry: No, it would have to be either/or.
      • Murdoch moved to approve. Seconded by Quinnett.
      • Passed with one opposed.
   C. Research Credit Limitations on Doctoral Degrees (attachment)
• Members voted to clean up “Requirements for Doctoral Degrees” in the catalog.
• They moved to increase the number of 599 non-thesis credits allowed from 5 to 6. They also added language that 300-399 courses my not be used to make up deficiencies.
• Moved to approve by Quinnett. Seconded by Hill.
• Approved unanimously.

D. Posthumous Degree Policy
• Law will add their language to the policy, and it will be brought back to a future meeting.

IV. New Business
A. Curriculum Items
1. Accountancy
   - Add ACCT 555 and remove ACCT 590.
   - Zadehgol moved to approve. Seconded by Hardy.
   - Approved unanimously.
2. M.S. Water Resources
3. Ph.D. Water Resources
   - Items 2 and 3 were voted on together.
   - Remove WR 507. Reduce WR 506 to 2 credits from 3.
   - Rationale had some incorrect language in it per WR faculty on Graduate Council.
   - Yager made a motion to approve 2 and 3 together with the rationale struck from the proposal and with a typo fixed changing WR 506 to 2 credits on each page. Seconded by Cronan.
   - Approved unanimously.
4. Statistics Graduate Certificate
   - General housekeeping changes to the Stats Graduate Certificate.
   - Hardy moved to approve. Seconded by Tank.
   - Approved unanimously.
5. Discontinuances (attachments x 3)
   a. M.Ed. / M.S. Rehab Counseling and Human Services
      - They stopped taking applicants and are teaching out the cohort. They will be done Spring 2020.
   b. Rehab Counseling Certificate
   c. M.Ed. / M.S. School Counseling
      - This program ended in 2012/2013.
      - This is to discontinue all of these programs officially.
      - Quinnett moved to approve. Seconded by Zadehgol.
      - Approved unanimously.

B. Summer Registration Requirement
• Language needs to be written that is compliant with federal funding sources.
• McMurtry will look at other institutions and will bring it back to a future meeting.

Adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Future Meetings:
November 20
January 22
February 26
March 25
April 15
May 6