

ACU Graduate Council
March 16, 2021
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Present: D. Snider, K. Witemeyer, D. Barnett, J. Cardot, J. Neill, M. Scott, S. Jones, T. Womble, A. Huddleston, D. Walls, M. Long, C. Flanagan

Absent: L. Merchant, L. Lemley, T. Sensing.

Ex-officios: J. Wiser (M. Straughn, J. Shewmaker, G. Straughn, B. Crisp, K. Cukrowski – not in attendance)

Guests: C. Candler, K. White, M. Thompson, J. Camp, J. Smith

The meeting began at 12:03 p.m.

I. Approval of the minutes from 2.9.21

Motion to approve the minutes by D. Barnett; seconded by M. Scott; all in favor. Motion passes.

Information Items:

II. OCCT 735 – Revise Title

C. Candler – This is a simple title change to be consistent with our other courses.

Action Items:

III. OCCT 705 – Close Course

C. Candler – This course was created at the beginning of the MSOT's development. As the program was refined, the course was never offered. This is housekeeping to clean up the catalog.

IV. OCCT 724 – New Course

C. Candler – These are the second-year courses for the new OTD curriculum. This will finish up the degree requirements. With the OTD degree, there are seminar courses each semester that pair with the curriculum on the MSOT side. This will allow students to

build competency as they move toward completing their capstone project. This will help them in the actual production of the project.

V. OCCT 734 – New Course

C. Candler – Students will go out on their fieldwork assignments. Following that, they will return to take two didactics courses. This course focuses on leadership in administration and advocacy. This will give students skills for moving into professional supervisory roles.

VI. OCCT 782 – New Course

C. Candler – This is the second didactic course for specializations. This will help prepare them for their certification exams. They will also put the final touches on their capstone project.

VII. OCCT 792 – New Course

C. Candler – In the summer, the students will complete their second rotation in the field. After this, the master's students will be finished. The doctoral students will continue on for supervised independent work. This will be the culmination of their doctoral training.

VIII. OCCT 794 – New Course

C. Candler – This is where the capstone is completed, documented, and disseminated. Each student will have a team, including a capstone coordinator. This person is active in the student's experience from early in the program. The committee also consists of a faculty advisor and an on-site mentor. This will be the defense of their project.

D. Snider – If I remember correctly, the MSOT students cannot move into the OTD, but OTD students, if they struggle can move down into the MSOT. C. Candler – Correct. T. Parrish – Will your students be publishing their capstone projects to the ACU Commons? C. Candler – Yes. D. Snider – So the MSOT is 69 hours, and how long is the OTD? C. Candler – Eighty-five hours. D. Snider – This is a milestone for the university for expanding our total doctoral programs. You have done a lot of excellent work.

Motion to approve items III – VIII by S. Jones; seconded by T. Womble; all in favor. Motion passes.

Meeting ended at 12:23 p.m.