

ACU Graduate Council
April 12th, 2022
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
CBS Dean's Conference Room

Present: W. Carroll, M. Long, D. Walls, M. Scott, L. Merchant, S. Jones, A. Huddleston, J. Neill, T. Sensing, T. Womble

Not attending: L. Lemley, J. Cardot, D. Barnett, C. Flanagan

Ex-officios in attendance: (J. Smith, D. Kennamer)

Guests: T. Baggs (SLP), N. Coates(POLS)

Prayer by B. Carroll

Announcements

B. Carroll had the opportunity to attend the IPDA national debate tournament that ACU hosted this weekend. The Office of Graduate Programs was one of many internal sponsors.

The meeting began at 11:52 a.m.

Approval of the 3/22/22 Graduate Council minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by S. Jones; seconded by D. Walls; all in favor. Motion passes.

Information Items:

1. Change to a course: Removal of Pre-requisite for BIBM 658 (Removing BIBM 629)
2. Change to a course: Revision of course description for CSD 603

Approval Items:

1. Course Closures (POLS 590, POLS 591, POLS 595, POLS 597)
 - a. N. Coates explained the courses have not been taught in several years. They were taught when the department offered a graduate program.

Motion to approve by J. Neill, M. Long seconded. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

2. New Course Proposal: KINE 603 Seminar in Human Performance
 - a. This is the last new course needing approval for the MSSCHP.

- b. Students will complete a full strength and conditioning program assignment for an individual using various populations.
- c. The course prepares them for the national board exams which involves writing a one year program and then defending the program to a panel of judges in one day. Local strength and conditioning coaches will serve as the “panel” during the course.
- d. The new Program Director will be teaching the course.

Motion to approve by M. Scott, J. Neill seconded. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

3. Changes to SLP degree

- a. New Course Proposal: CSD 623: Theory and Therapeutic Methodology for the Autism Spectrum
 - i. The MSLP program is required to infuse the topic of Autism into various courses, however they have never offered a specific course in the subject area. This two hour course would be dedicated to Autism topics.
- b. Change to course: CSD 607 (reduced credit hours from 3 to 2 hours)
- c. Change to course: CSD 613 (increased credit hours from 3 to 4 hours)
- d. Change to course: CSD 694 (move to variable credit hours)
 - i. CSD 693 has been variable credit, which is the first year of practicum. They’d like CSD 694 (the second year of practicum) to mirror CSD 693.
- e. Revision of Major: Change to degree plan, CSD
 - i. Program will remain 52 credit hours.
 - ii. GST students have pointed out that a one credit course often feels like a three credit hour course. He encouraged T. Baggs to consider course expectations when students earn two credits instead of three.
 - iii. J. Smith recommended that T. Baggs review the university credit hour load policy located in the Faculty Policy and Procedures in quick links.

Motion to approve all five MSLP items together by S. Jones, M. Long seconded. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

If necessary, the final meeting of the Graduate Council will be held May 3, 2022. The next Program Director meeting will be April 28th.

In an attempt to streamline calendars, B. Carroll is considering reducing the number of scheduled Graduate Councils across the academic year from eight meetings to six, and reducing scheduled Program Directors meetings from four to two. This would allow all of the meetings to be held on the first Tuesday of each month, streamlining the calendar. He requested that Council members offer feedback on this idea before the next scheduled Graduate Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:14.