

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

September 16, 2021

1:00 PM

110 GRINTER HALL & Teleconference (Via Zoom)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Nicole Steadman (Chair), Dr. Monika Ardelt, Dr. Henry Baker, Dr. Edward Braun, Dr. Brenda Chalfin, Dr. Ian Flood, Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Dr. David Janicke, Dr. Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox, Dr. Corene Matyas, Dr. K. Ramesh Reddy, Dr. Aner Sela, Ms. Karen Coker (GSC representative), and Paul C. Wassel III (GSC alternate)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Prabir Barooah

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Timothy Brophy (Academic Affairs), Ms. Suzie Burns (Office of Admissions), Dr. Maria Leite (Academic Affairs), Dr. Thomas Kelleher (College of Journalism and Communications), Dr. Evan Kropp (College of Journalism and Communications), Brian Marchman (Office of the Provost/Distance Learning), Mr. Steve Pritz (Office of the University Registrar), and Ms. Kathy Zemba (Office of the University Registrar)

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Paul Duncan, Ms. Gann Enholm, Ms. Francesca Tai (Recording), Dr. Judy Traveis, Ms. Patty Van Wert, and Ms. Stacy Wallace

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Dr. Steadman welcomed everyone to this month's meeting of the Graduate Council and gave a brief summary of the pending proposals to be presented to the Council.

I. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Minutes from the May 20, 2021 Graduate Council meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CONCENTRATIONS:

The Chair sought Council approval for consideration of eleven (11) items from the College of Journalism and Communications as a single package. Dr. Duncan explained that all of the items were similar, requesting that longstanding clusters of specified course work in various areas of emphasis within the Master of Arts in Mass Communication be formally recognized as "concentrations" within that degree. Council concurred.

2. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Audience Analytics (#15679). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve this and the ten successive items was made seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
3. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Digital Strategy (#15680). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
4. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Global Strategic Communication (#15681). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve all of them was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

5. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Political Communication (#15682). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to all of them was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
6. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Professional Communication (#15881). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
7. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Public Interest Communication (#15683). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
8. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Public Relations (#16024). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
9. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Public Relations and Communication Management (#15686). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
10. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Science and Health Communication (#15740). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
11. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Social Media (#15684). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
12. Proposal from the College of Journalism and Communications for a graduate concentration in Web Design and Online Communication (#15685). Dr. Evan Kropp (via Zoom) and Dr. Tom Kelleher (in person) were present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

II. INFORMATION ITEMS:

13. Proposal from the College of Engineering to modify the graduate certificate in Biological Systems Modeling (#16101). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.
14. Proposal from the College of Pharmacy to terminate the graduate certificate in Biomedical Scientist as Educator (#16184). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.
15. Graduate Programs – Distance or Self-Funded - Dr. Brian Marchman was present to discuss these items.
 - M.S. in Agricultural and Biological Engineering
 - Graduate Certificate in Medical Microbiology

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.