

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

October 21, 2021

1:00 PM

110 GRINTER HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Henry Baker, Dr. Edward Braun, Dr. Brenda Chalfin, Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Dr. David Janicke, Dr. Tanya Koropecyk-Cox, Dr. Corene Matyas, Dr. K. Ramesh Reddy, Ms. Karen Coker (GSC representative), and Paul C. Wassel III (GSC alternate)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Monika Ardel, Dr. Prabir Barooah, Dr. Ian Flood and Dr. Aner Sela

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Alyson Adams (College of Education), Dr. Timothy Brophy (Academic Affairs), Ms. Suzie Burns (Office of Admissions), Dr. Maria Leite (Academic Affairs), Dr. Paul Gulig (College of Medicine), Brian Marchman (Office of the Provost/Distance Learning), Dr. Raluca Mateescu (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Dr. Tina Smith-Bonahue (College of Education), Dr. Matthew Whiles (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Dr. Kristin Wiisanen (College of Pharmacy), and Ms. Kathy Zemba (Office of the University Registrar)

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

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Dr. Traveis 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 September 16, 2021 Graduate Council meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATES:

2. Proposal from the College of Pharmacy for a graduate certificate in Clinical Pharmacogenomics (#15982). Dr. Kristin Wiisanen was present (in person) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
3. Proposal from the College of Medicine to modify the graduate certificate in Medical Microbiology (#16514). Dr. Henry Baker was present (in person) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of Spring 2022.

CONCENTRATIONS:

The Chair sought Council approval for the consideration of five (5) items from the College of Education as a single package. Dr. Traveis explained that all of the items were similar, requesting that longstanding clusters of specified course work in various areas of the College of Education be formally recognized as "concentrations" within that degree. Council concurred.

4. Proposal from the College of Education for a graduate concentration in Languages and Literacies in Education (#15251). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve this and the five successive items was made seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

5. Proposal from the College of Education for a graduate concentration in Media and Digital Literacy Education (#14184). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
6. Proposal from the College of Education for a graduate concentration in Science Education for the Ph.D. (#14758). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) 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 Education for a graduate concentration in Teacher Leadership for School Improvement for the Master of Science and the Specialist in Education (#14419). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) 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 Education for a graduate concentration in Teachers, Schools, & Society (#14412). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) 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 Education for a graduate concentration in Teaching English as an Additional Language (K-12) (#13817). Dr. Alyson Adams was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

Dr. Braun motioned for the consideration of two (2) items from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences as a single package. Dr. Traveis explained that two items are for the same concentration, and the difference is which degree it is awarded to. Council concurred.

10. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences for a graduate concentration in Domestic Animal Genomics for the Master of Science (#16264). Dr. Raluca Mateescu was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve this and the successive item was made seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.
11. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences for a graduate concentration in Domestic Animal Genomics for the Ph.D. (#16265). Dr. Raluca Mateescu was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

DEPARTMENT MODIFICATION:

12. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences to change the name of the UF/IFAS Soil and Water Sciences Department to the Department of Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences (#16181). Dr. Matthew Whiles was present (in person) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

II. INFORMATION ITEMS:

13. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences to modify the graduate certificate in Applications in AI-based SmartAg Systems (#16120). Dr. Traveis was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.
14. Proposal from the College of Medicine to close the graduate concentration in Translational Biotechnology (#16511). Dr. Traveis was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.
15. Graduate Programs – Distance or Self-Funded (No items)

The meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.