MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Nicole Stedman (Chair), Dr. Monika Ardelt, Dr. Edward Braun, Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Dr. David Janicke, Dr. Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox, Dr. Corene Matyas, Dr. K. Ramesh Reddy, Dr. Aner Sela, and Ms. Karen Coker (GSC representative)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Henry Baker, Dr. Prabir Barooah, Dr. Brenda Chalfin Dr. Ian Flood, and Paul C. Wassel III (GSC alternate)

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Tolulope Agunbiade (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Ms. Suzie Burns (Office of Admissions), Dr. Maria Leite (Academic Affairs), Brian Marchman (Office of the Provost/Distance Learning), Dr. Raluca Mateescu (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Dr. Martha Monroe (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), Dr. Christine Myers (College of Public Health and Health Professions), Ms. Ana Portocarrero (College of Business Administration), Mr. Steve Pritz (Office of the University Registrar), and Dr. Carlos Suarez Carrasquillo (College of Liberal Arts and Sciences)

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

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

Dr. Stedman 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. The Chair also sought Council approval for consideration too add a discussion item that was not already listed on the agenda. Council concurred.

I. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Minutes from the October 21, 2021 Graduate Council meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATES:

2. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences for a graduate certificate in Biosecurity and Biological Invasions (#15809). Dr. Tolulope Agunbiade (via Zoom) was present 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 Liberal Arts and Sciences to modify the graduate certificate in Latin American Studies (#16477). Dr. Carlos Suarez Carrasquillo (via Zoom) was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

CONCENTRATIONS:

The Chair sought Council approval for consideration of the two (2) items from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences as a package. Council concurred.

4. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences for a graduate concentration in Reproductive Biotechnology for the Master of Science (#16023). Dr. Raluca Mateescu (via Zoom) was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the Fall 2021.
5. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences for a graduate concentration in Reproductive Biotechnology for the Ph.D. (#16022). Dr. Raluca Mateescu (via Zoom) was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

DEGREE:

6. Proposal from the College of Public Health and Health Professions to close the Master of Occupational Therapy degree program (#16491). Dr. Christine Myers (in person) was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

COMBINATION DEGREES:
The Chair sought Council approval for consideration of the five (5) items from the Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business as a package. Council concurred.

7. Proposal from the Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business seek to create a new combination degree between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing with the Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration (B.A.B.A.) with a major in Business Administration - General Studies (15585). Ms. Ana Portocarrero (via Zoom) was present for discussion. A motion to approve this and the four successive items was made seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of the earliest available.

8. Proposal from the Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business seek to create a new combination degree between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing with the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) with a major in General Studies (15586). Ms. Ana Portocarrero (via Zoom) was 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 Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business seek to create a new combination degree between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing with the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) with a major in Finance (15588). Ms. Ana Portocarrero (via Zoom) was 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 Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business seek to create a new combination degree between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing with the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) with a major in Information Systems (15599). Ms. Ana Portocarrero (via Zoom) was 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 Warrington College of Business and the Heavener School of Business to create a new combination degree between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing with the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) with a major in Management (15549). Ms. Ana Portocarrero (via Zoom) was 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 / ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:

12. Proposal from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences to modify the graduate certificate in Environmental Education and Communication (#12164). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.

13. Proposal from the College of Health and Human Performance to close the graduate concentration in Applied Physiology and Kinesiology with the concentration of Clinical and Translational Science (#16492). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.
14. Proposal from the College of Medicine to change the name of the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation to the Department of Orthopaedics Surgery and Sports Medicine (#16395). Dr. Duncan was present to describe. No questions or objections were raised.

15. Graduate Programs – Distance or Self-Funded – No new items – Dr. Brian Marchman was present to confirm.

16. Discussion – Dean Stedman – University plans for Graduate admissions process to include uploading CVs or resumes.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.