

Graduate Council Minutes
December 6, 2007
310 Administration Building
1:30 p.m.

In attendance: David Reed, Julie Wilson, Emily Davidson, Rafael Lara, Jim Kracht, Michael Sagas, Teresa Wright, Shari Hilding-Kronforst, Tracey Wellington, N.K. Anand, Stephen Atkins, Vatche Tchakerian, Henry Huebner, Buzz Pruitt, Brenda Thomas, Megan Palsa, Eluned Jones, Sam Kirkpatrick, Judith Hamera, Lou Tassinary, Gene Nelson and recording secretary Suzanne Brynildsen.

1. Approval of the minutes of the November 1, 2007 meeting. Minutes were approved as written.
2. New Courses

Graduate Council recommends approval of the following with friendly amendments consisting of editorial changes.

- A734 AERO 605 Theory of Elasticity – Cross-listed with MEMA 601 and MEEN 603
- A735 AERO 612 Wave Propagation in Isotropic and Anisotropic Solids – Cross-listed with MEMA 612
- A733 AERO 618 Mechanics of Active Materials – Cross-listed with MEMA 626
- A736 ANTH 646 Ceramic Artifact Analysis
- A737 ANTH 647 Lithic Artifact Analysis
- A738 ANTH 651 Pleistocene Prehistory of Northeast Asia & Alaska
- A739 ANTH 653 Hunter-Gatherer Archaeology
- A740 ANTH 654 Archaeological Photography
- A714 BICH 665 Biochemical Kinetics
- A719 CHEN 660 Chemical Engineering Quantitative Risk Analysis – Cross-listed with SENG 660 and ISEN 660
- A750 GEOG 622 Environment and Society on the US-Mexico Border
- A752 GEOG 643 Geopolitics and Geostrategies of Energy
- A755 GEOG 652 Quantitative Methods in Geography
- A754 GEOP 661 Reservoir Rock Physics
- A715 ISEN 660 Quantitative Risk Analysis – Cross-listed with CHEN 660 & SENG 660
- A718 KINE 646 Fundamentals of Space Life Sciences – Cross-listed with NUTR 646 & NUEN 646
- A756 MATH 676 Finite Element Methods in Scientific Computing
- A729 MEEN 603 Theory of Elasticity – Cross-listed with MEMA 601
- A728 MEEN 608 Continuum Mechanics – Cross-listed with MEMA 602
- A730 MEEN 609 Materials Science – Cross-listed with MEMA 609
- A725 MEEN 610 Applied Polymer Science – Cross-listed with MEMA 610
- A727 MEEN 616 Mathematical Foundations of Continuum Mechanics – Cross-listed with MEMA 604/MATH 604
- A731 MEEN 618 Energy Methods – Cross-listed with MEMA 605
- A726 MEEN 635 Flow and Fracture of Polymeric Solids – Cross-listed with MEMA 607
- A732 MEEN 657 Viscoelasticity of Solids and Structures I – Cross-listed with MEMA 651
- A724 MEEN 661 Principles of Composite Materials – Cross-listed with MEMA 613
- A723 MEEN 666 Plasticity Theory – Cross-listed with MEMA 641
- A721 MEEN 670 Theory of Finite Element Analysis – Cross-listed with MEMA 647
- A722 MEEN 672 Introduction to the Finite Element Method – Cross-listed with MEMA 646
- A720 MEEN 673 Nonlinear finite element methods in structural mechanics – Cross-listed with MEMA 648
- A716 NUEN 646 Fundamentals of Space Life Sciences – Cross-listed with NUTR 646 & KINE 646
- A717 NUTR 646 Fundamentals of Space Life Sciences – Cross-listed with NUEN 646 & KINE 646
- A753 OCNG 611 Global Scale Oceanography
- A749 OCNG 658 Ocean Computational Analysis Lab
- A757 PHYS 614 Introduction to Methods of Mathematical Physics
- A748 WMST 634 Introduction to Gender & Education – Cross-listed with EHRD 634
- A745 WMST 649 Feminist Pedagogy – Cross-listed with ERHD 649
- A746 WMST 650 Gender and International Education – Cross-listed with EHRD 650
- A747 WMST 661 Sociology of Gender – Cross-listed with SOCI 661

3. Course Changes

Graduate Council recommends approval of the following:

C630 MEMA 601 Theory of Elasticity – Cross-listed with AERO 605 and MEEN 603
 C631 MEMA 612 Wave Propagation in Isotropic and Anisotropic Solids – Cross-listed with AERO 612
 C632 MEMA 626 Mechanics of Active Materials – Cross-listed with AERO 618
 C633 ACCT 671 Contemporary Accounting Topics
 A751 GEOG 624 Biogeography: Theory and Methods

4. Special Consideration Items

Graduate Council recommends approval of the following:

College of Liberal Arts
 Program Request for a Master of Arts in Performance Studies

The Bush School of Government & Public Service
 Five-Year Joint Degree Programs for the Bush School and Department of Economics

College of Education and Human Development
 Request for a Master of Science degree in Sport Management

College of Education and Human Development
 Request for a Master of Education in Hispanic Bilingual Education and
 a Master of Science in Hispanic Bilingual Education

College of Education and Human Development
 Request for a Master of Science and a
 Master of Education degree in Special Education

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
 Non-substantive administrative change for the Master of Agriculture in Agricultural Development

College of Education and Human Development
 Reduction of EDAD ED.D. Internship from 6 to 3 hours

Below listed items pulled from approval agenda at the request of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
 Discontinuation of the MAGR degree in Dairy Science

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
 Discontinuation of the MS degree in Biophysics

5. Other Items

Dr. Reed spoke about a retreat scheduled for the 18th of December for the college staff persons that handle the preparation of graduate courses. He shared a copy of a flow chart he developed showing the current process used for preparation of new course requests. He stated that he hoped the retreat would give the staff members the opportunity to brainstorm about creating a more efficient procedure that everyone would be in agreement with.

Graduate Student Council representative Tracy Wellington spoke about the upcoming Student Research Week scheduled the 24th through the 28th of March, 2008. January 2nd is the opening date for student and judge registration. The anticipated 800 students will be split into 120 sessions over a three day period. There will be a requirement of two judges per session for a total of 240 judges.

Dr. Reed asked that all course revisions be submitted to OGS by close of business on December 13th, 2007.

After discussion concerning the January Graduate Council meeting it was determined that the meeting should be cancelled. If an item requires immediate approval of an item can be done by email vote.

Meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.