

UNL Graduate Council Minutes
Thursday, November 9, 2017
206 Seaton Hall – 3:30 pm

Present: Tim Carr, presiding; Ted Hamann, Jennifer Clarke, Daniel Clausen, Yusong Li, Christina Falci, Laurie Thomas Lee, Clinton Rowe, Donna Hahn

Absent: David Smith, Rhonda Fuelberth, Karen Da Silva

Approval of minutes from October 12, 2017

- Motion was made to approve minutes from the October 12, 2017 meeting. Motion passed.

Announcements

No announcements

QQPM Minor –Statistics and EDPS to meet 11/15 to discuss shared resources etc. Wait for meeting for vote on EDPS QQPM proposal; distribute meeting report to Graduate Council and then vote.

- Motion to wait until meeting and then send out for email ballot; motion passed.

Proposal for MA Specialization in Apparel Design

MA Apparel Design – had written minor courses 9 cr hours; original proposal had a list of courses from various departments to choose from. Have removed the list of courses; added paragraph pg 4.

- Motion: accept revised change of language to minor requirements; motion passed.

Proposal for PhD Specialization in Apparel Design

Proposal for MA Specialization in Material Culture and Textile Studies

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Discussion continued from October meeting; agenda items 4,5,6 needed clarification as to the intent; not clear at PhD level since specialization in Human Sciences/TMFD already exists.

Tim met with J Jorgensen and A Zimbhoff; intent is to decommission the departmental specializations and add area specializations. Human Sciences>Apparel Design.

Still need the TMFD specialization until all new proposals are approved in all areas of the department. Intent to follow the same criteria at the master's level.

- Motion: accept proposals; motion passed.

Proposal for PhD Specialization in Merchandising

Motion: motion to accept proposal. Discussion: Cover sheet needs to be revised; question raised on why no marketing courses are included. Required course list not lengthy. Tim talked with J Jorgensen. COB is not offering marketing courses that apply to this specialization at this time. How is PhD relevant to practitioners? Is there a market for positions? Industry?

- Motion Tabled – need to ask TMFD what core courses make this specialization unique. There are no required core courses, and the list of recommended courses are shared with other TMFD specialization. There doesn't appear to be enough distinction among the specializations. Tim

will contact J Jorgensen for clarification, then circulate response to the Graduate Council and follow with an email ballot.

Proposal for MA Specialization in Institutional Research

EDPS – motion to accept proposal. Discussion: Why only Option III?

Data entry, data analysis, information systems, displaying data, reporting – is there enough coursework to cover the various aspects of Institutional Research, or is the proposal focus only on data analysis?

Clarification from the department.

- Motion tabled – General EDPS master’s degree w/o specialization? Ask Terri

Proposal for Certificate in Engineering Management

Motion to accept proposal. Discussion: currently master’s of EM is proposing certificate in the same area. Should the titles be the same? MEM is also a fully distance program.

- Motion passed.

Graduate Student Assembly Report

Met earlier in the week; Graduate student bill of rights. Draft circulated; students to comment within two weeks; voted on early in December. Tim has talked with the assembly about the document; for input from Graduate Studies. Graduate Council will then review.

Tax cuts and jobs act – count tuition waiver as taxable income.

Voted to send a letter to Chancellor Green and EVC Plowman voicing concerns.

Other Business

Future discussion: Visit Option I, II and III. Change?

Meeting adjourned 5:05 pm