The Graduate Council met in TOM 102 on Tuesday, November 15, at 3 p.m. Graduate Council members include the following:

Dr. Mary Gunter, Chair        Dr. Susan Underwood
Dr. Mary Ann Rollans          Dr. Deborah Wilson
Dr. Cheryl Smith              Dr. Matt Brown
Ms. Connie Zimmer             Dr. Sean Huss
Dr. John Jackson              Dr. Annette Holeyfield
Dr. Linda Bean, Vice Chair    Mr. Donald Minster, Student
Dr. Nelson Ramirez            Representative
Dr. Richard Ihde              Ms. Tammy Rhodes, Secretary

Dr. Bean and Dr. Smith were absent. Guests were Dr. Carl Brucker, Dr. Chris Giroir, Dr. Dan Martin, Dr. David Ward, Dr. Jason Warnick, Dr. David Osburn, Dr. Peter Dykema, Dr. Mona Chadwick, and Dr. Jennifer Helms.

CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Gunter called the meeting to order and indicated a quorum was present for the meeting and business could be conducted.

Dr. Gunter asked for approval of the minutes from September 20, 2011. Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Zimmer, to approve the minutes with corrections. Motion carried.

FACULTY APPROVAL:

Dr. Ihde made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wilson, to add the Renewal for Membership on Graduate Faculty for Mr. Ed Leachman to the agenda. Motion carried.

Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ihde, to approve the requests for Renewal for Membership of Regular Graduate Faculty. The following nominations were approved for Regular Faculty: Dr. Susan Underwood, Department of College Personnel, and Mr. Ed Leachman, Department of Emergency Management. Motion carried.

Ms. Zimmer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wilson, to approve the request for Nominations for Membership of Regular Faculty. The following nomination was approved for Regular Faculty: Dr. Monty Smith, Department of Mechanical Engineering. Motion carried.

CURRICULUM APPROVAL

Department of English and World Languages
Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Holeyfield, to approve all requests from the Department of English and World Languages. Motion carried. Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Huss, to approve the following:

(a) change title of SPAN 5803, Film Theory, to Spanish-Language Film;
(b) add ENGL 6863, TESL Practicum, to the course descriptions;
(c) add TESL 6863, TESOL Practicum, to the course descriptions; and
(d) modify the Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages as follows: (1) reduce number of hours for degree to 30 hours; (2) remove restriction of the grade of C being used in degree; (3) allow courses with the ENGL course prefix to substitute for equivalent TESL courses; and (4) add a comprehensive exam requirement.

Motion carried.

Department of Social Science and Philosophy

Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Huss, to approve to modify the Master of Arts in History as follows: (1) in the Areas of Concentration section, add World History to the list of concentrations; (2) remove the secondary area of concentrations; (3) in the Degree Requirements Option I: Thesis Option section and Option II: Non-Thesis Option section, modify as outlined in proposal. Motion carried.

Department of College Student Personnel

Dr. Holeyfield made a motion, seconded by Dr. Rollans, to approve addition of CSP 6153, Advising Student Groups and Organizations, to the course descriptions. Motion carried.

Department of Nursing

Ms. Zimmer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ramirez, to approve all requests from the Department of Nursing. Motion carried. Ms. Zimmer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ihde, to approve the following:

(a) add NUR 6403, Non-Thesis Project, to the course descriptions;
(b) title change from NUR 6303, Legal/Ethical Issues & Trends in Healthcare, to Law, Ethics, and Health Policy in Healthcare;
(c) add NUR 6313, Role of the Nurse Administrator, as a prerequisite to NUR 6503 Organizational Behavior; and
(d) add NUR 6313 Role of the Nurse Administrator, as a prerequisite to NUR 6513 Fiscal Management in Health Care Systems.
Motion carried.

Center for Leadership and Learning

Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Huss, to approve all requests from the Center for Leadership and Learning. Motion carried. Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Huss, to approve the following:

(a) change course number for EDLD 6992, Professional Portfolio, to EDLD 6991, and modify the course description; and
(b) modify the Master of Education in Educational Leadership as follows: (1) delete EDLD 6303. Technology as an Administrative Tool, and (2) replace EDLD 6992, Professional Portfolio, with EDLD 6991, which will reduce the program from 38 to 34 hours.

Motion carried.

Department of Behavioral Sciences

Dr. Huss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Underwood, to approve all requests from the Department of Behavioral Sciences. Motion carried. Dr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Huss, to approve the following:

(a) add PSY 6003 Advanced Principles of Psychology I, to the course descriptions;
(b) add PSY 6103, Advanced Principles of Psychology II, to the course descriptions; and
(c) modify the Master of Science in Psychology as follows: (1) move PSY 5033, Psychological Tests and Measurements, and PSY 6033, Personality Testing, from Required Courses section to Electives section; (2) add PSY 6003 Advanced Principles of Psychology I, and PSY 6103, Advanced Principles of Psychology II, to the Required Courses section; and (3) allow only 6 hours of PSY 6993-6996, Thesis Research, to be used to satisfy degree requirements.

Motion carried.

GRADUATE COLLEGE UPDATE

Dr. Gunter indicated the Spring 2012 Thesis Timeline Update is available on the Graduate College web site. She indicated the staff would begin updating the Graduate Catalog. Dr. Gunter announced that Graduate College staff would be involved in a ProQuest webinar.

OTHER BUSINESS
Dr. Gunter indicated that Dr. Becky Shopfner and Ms. Amy Pennington have been appointed to the committee to review the Graduate Assistant Handbook. She asked for a faculty volunteer to serve on the committee. Mr. Minster and Dr. Underwood agreed to serve.

Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Rhodes