

# The Graduate Council Minutes

February 19, 1998

3:00 p.m., Administration Building, Room 204

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The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Council is Thursday, March 26, at 3:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, Board Room. Agenda items are due by March 5, and the agenda will be distributed by March 12.  
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**Note: Course changes and additions will not take effect until they are listed in the graduate catalog. Items marked with an asterisk (\*) must have approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board before listing in the graduate catalog.**

**Members present:** Baird (for Shrader), Cutshall, Eubank, Glenn (for Hartman), Guarnaccia, Hildreth (for Keller), Hyten, Kamman, Kesterson, Morrison, Richards, Schneider, Tas (for LaBrecque), Tate (chair), Taylor (for Davis), Terrell, White (for Hays)

**Visitors present:** Austen, Harrell, Johnson, Kumar, Price

**I. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:** The minutes from the January 22, 1998 council meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Morrison and a second by Baird.

## II. Announcements

- A Graduate Review – waiting results
- B Dr. Tate reminded everyone that the fellowship deadline is February 27 and that he has put out on the faculty list serve the number of nominations each department is allotted.
- C The Graduate Student Council has developed a web page for the “Funding Alert”, which is a list of outside fellowships and scholarships available for students.

## III. Requests for New Courses

The following request was unanimously approved on a motion by Eubank and a second by Morrison.

- A Accounting
  - 1 Add: ACCT 5890 – International Accounting (3 hours)

This course is designed to integrate both the functional areas of accounting and the functional areas of business administration in a global decision making framework. Cross-functional and global approaches to organizational issues will be emphasized. The course will be structured to enhance the ability of students to think critically, and to develop knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to compete effectively in the global perspectives in accounting, environmental, social, and political influences on accounting, accounting information systems in a multinational enterprise, performance evaluation in a multinational enterprise, comparative international analysis of financial statements, and the exploration of timely topical issues related to international accounting.

#### **IV. Request for New Program**

The following request was unanimously approved on a motion by Kamman and a second by Glenn. The request will be forwarded to the Board of Regents for approval.

**\*A.** The College of Arts & Sciences proposes to offer a Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial-Organizational (I-O) Psychology. (Second reading)

The proposed degree will require a minimum of 90 semester credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree, or a minimum of 60 semester credit hours beyond the master's degree. Degree requirements will include courses in advanced general psychology, I-O psychology, business administration, and research methods. A formal internship will be required as well. Upon graduation, students will be eligible for licensure as psychologists in Texas. Since the Department of Psychology already has several doctoral programs as well as the current I-O master's program, only five or six additional specialty courses in I-O psychology would need to be added to complete the curriculum.

For additional information on the proposed degree program, please contact the Department of Psychology.

#### **V. Request for Change in Program/Major/Degree/Option Requirements**

None.

#### **VI. Consent Calendar**

The consent calendar was unanimously approved on a motion by Eubank and a second by Glenn.

##### **A. Request for Change in Existing Courses**

###### **1. Accounting**

- a. Change: ACCT 5160 – Advanced Accounting Theory (Delete ACCT 5150 as a prerequisite).
- b. Change: ACCT 5330 – Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders (Add ACCT 5310 may be taken concurrently to course description).
- c. Change: ACCT 5360 – Advanced Topics in Federal Taxation (Change course description to: Topics covered in this course depend on the needs of students enrolled each semester. The range of possible topics includes consolidated tax returns, partnerships and tax reform proposals. Emphasis on tax planning and on the intricate process by which federal taxes are assessed. Prerequisites(s): ACCT 5020 (2020, 2030), 4100, 5110 and 5120 (3110, 3120, 3270), 5300 (4300) and 5310, 5330 (for Advanced Corporate Taxation, when taught under this number); ECON 5000 (1100, 1110); MATH 1190; BCIS 5090 (2610, 3610); BLAW 5050 (3430). ACCT 5310 may be taken concurrently.
- d. Change: ACCT 5370 – Family Tax Planning and Contemporary Topics (Add ACCT 5310 may be taken concurrently to course description).

###### **2. Management**

a. Change: MGMT 5240 – Management Systems (Change title and description to: MGMT 5240 – Project Management; Analysis and application of project management techniques and processes to large scale, complex, and unique projects. Topics include: project selection; planning and organization; negotiation and conflict resolution; budgeting and cost estimation; scheduling; resource allocation; monitoring and control; project auditing; and termination. Prerequisite(s): MGMT 5070 or equivalent.

**B. Request for Course Deletion**

None

**VII. Old Business**

None

**VIII. New Business**

An Dr. Terrell gave an update report on the 100-hour cap proposal. The draft proposal will be available for a first reading at the March council meeting. The proposal will be available for review on the graduate school web page after the first reading. If the second reading of the proposal is approved at the April council meeting, the proposal will be forwarded to the Board of Regents for their May meeting.

Bn The ad hoc Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Implementation and Review Committee (ETD) will have available for a first reading at the March council meeting the proposal for the policies and procedures for electronic submission of thesis and dissertations. The proposal will also be available on the graduate school web page for review after the first reading.