

The Graduate Council Minutes

June 20, 2002

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

Agenda attachments distributed to Graduate Council members only.

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: Evenson (for Hartman), Glover, Johnson, Kamman (for Burggren), Keller, Kelly (for Gross), Morrison, O'Connor, Pirtle, Reynolds (for Forney), Schol (for Davis), Tate (chair), White, Windsor

Visitors present: Bissett, Critelli, Dearman, Eschbach, Hamilton, Inn, Keitges, Schaake, Smith-Murdock, Young

I. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting: The minutes from the May 16, 2002 council meeting were unanimously approved.

II. Announcements

A. Dr. Tate reminded everyone to review the status of their students and make sure that they are all coded correctly in order to ensure that we receive the maximum formula funding allowed by the state. (see attached memo)

III. Requests for New Courses

The following requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Evenson and a second by Pirtle.

A. Center for Public Service – Community Service

1. Add: COMS 5800 – Community Service Internship. 3 hours

Supervised work in a community agency that is directly related to the student's major, professional field, or career objective. Duties, learning objectives, reporting, and supervisory functions will be agreed on beforehand by the agency and the student. Prerequisite(s): student must meet the employers' requirements and have consent of the program director.

Course Safety Category 2 (Course safety evaluation form attached)

2. Add: COMS 5900 – Special Problems. 1-3 hours

Open to graduate students who are capable of developing a problem independently. Problems are chosen by students and approved in advance by the instructor. Prerequisite(s): consent of instructor.

Course Safety Category 1

The following requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Windsor and a second by Evenson.

B. Rehabilitation, Social Work and Addictions

1. Add: RHAB 5450 – Alcohol, Drugs and Disability. 3 hours

Exploration of the challenges presented by persons with disabilities who experience coexisting alcohol and other drug abuse disorders. Identification of strategies for effectively serving this population within rehabilitation settings.

Course Safety Category 1

2. Add: RHAB 5600 – Rehabilitation Case Management. 3 hours

Models and techniques for managing rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities. Focus on caseload as well as individual case management. Includes discussion of the CRCC code of ethics and ethical issues in rehabilitation case management.

Course Safety Category 1

The following requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Schol and a second by Morrison.

C. Visual Arts

1. Add: ART 5120 – Seminar in Medieval Art. 3 hours

Selected topics in Medieval Art.

Course Safety Category 1

2. Add: ART 5150 – Seminar in Native American Art. 3 hours.

Selected problems in Native North American Art.

Course Safety Category 1

IV. Request for New Program

The following request for a new program was unanimously approved on a motion by Morrison and a second by Windsor.

*A. The College of Music proposes to offer a MM degree with a major in Organbuilding with concentrations in organ performance and music history. There currently exists no academic program in organbuilding anywhere in the United States. The profession requires extensive theoretical knowledge and practical experience which few academic institutions can provide. (see attached proposal)

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

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

*A. The College of Education requests to change the administration of the MA and MS degrees in Educational Psychology from the Department of Psychology to the Department of Technology and Cognition. The Department of Psychology agreed with the request as long as program does not duplicate or compete with programs in the Department of Psychology such as School Psychology. In addition, the Department of Technology and Cognition could not add a doctoral degree (PhD or EdD) at a later date or create a new department for the program.

VI. Request for Dual/Joint Degree Programs

None

VII. Consent Calendar

A. Course Changes

None

B. Course Deletions

None

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. New Business

The following recommendation was unanimously approved on a motion by Morrison and a second by Keller.

A. Recommendation for revisions to the Graduate Preparation Course (GPC) policy from the Intensive English Language Institute (IELI) and the Robert B. Toulouse School of Graduate Studies. A summary of the major revisions are as follows:

1. Change to 20 hours per week of GPC classes in the summer program. (The original policy specified 15 hours of GPC classes per week during the summer.)
2. Addition of a requirement that students who have not completed Level Six of IELI may be required to take the IELI Placement Test prior to enrollment in GPC.
3. Reiteration that a student is restricted to enrollment in only one academic course during a long semester of the GPC program.
4. Change to allow GPC students to enroll in a single undergraduate or graduate course during a long semester or a full-load of undergraduate or graduate courses in the fall semester for students completing the GPC in the summer. (The original GPC document restricted GPC students to enrollment in graduate level courses only.)
5. Change to a requirement that a student must obtain explicit written permission from the major department to re-take the GPC if the student fails the GPC program the first time. (The original GPC document allowed students who failed GPC the first time to automatically re-enroll in the GPC program.)