

UA Little Rock Graduate Council
February 23, 2022 | 3:00 p.m.
Zoom meeting

Minutes

Members Present: Laura Ruhl, Robert Lytle, Lynne Larsen, Nancy Hamilton, Mariya Khodakovskaya, Roger Dorsey, Daryl Tate, Sung-Kwan Kim, Jennifer Holtz, John Nichols

Members Absent: Kamran Iqbal, David Manry, Donna Rose, Jerry Stevenson, Catherine Crisp, Chelsea Bradley, Londie Martin, Rebekah White

Others Present: Brian Berry, Karen Kuralt, Ross Bradley

START 3:00

Old Business:

Approval of minutes from Feb. 9, 2022 meeting.

New Business:

Report of the Curriculum Committee

N/A

Report of the Policy and Personnel Committee

Approved Nominee(s) for Graduate Faculty Affiliate Status:

Tanner Sullivan	Master's	Instructor	CHASSE
Carlton Rhodes	Master's	Professor	CHASSE
Masood Tariq	Doctorate	VP of Tech Ops.	DCSTEM
Maria Martinez	Master's	Director of Student Support	CHASSE
Mark LaRoque	Master's	Chief Revenue Officer	DCSTEM
Lisa Ehrlinger	Doctorate	Senior Researcher	DCSTEM
Annap Derebail	Doctorate	Engineer	DCSTEM
Sara Ansari	Doctorate	Engineer	DCSTEM

Approved Nominee(s) for Graduate Faculty Full Status:

Chelsea Bradley	Doctorate	Assistant Professor	CHASSE
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Dean's Report: Dr. Berry

- Slate: new application system will be tested during this summer. (We currently use CRM Recruit). Applications for 2023 are being taken this Fall via this new system.
- Workday team is in the process of developing the student platform.
 - The student portion is estimated to begin Fall 2024.
- Applications are at a level of good standing with a lot of international applications. Current students are also taking more classes.

Dr. Kuralt

- Some changes in FALL 2021 changes in SAP policy - holds students to more standards to keep their financial aid.
- Pace of progression - required credit hour completion.
 - Must successfully complete 67% of UALR credit hours to complete their degree.
 - If the students fall below the 67% threshold, they will lose their eligibility for federal loans
 - Maximum time frame - once they have reached the maximum amount of hours, they will also be ineligible for federal loans
 - Graduate/Doctoral/EDS students are allowed 135 hours
 - It's not clear in the current handout whether all graduate students are allowed 135 hours, or whether there is a lower number for master's students
 - Advisors should carefully monitor student hours as they approach this limit and warn them of the potential to lose their loan eligibility.
 - Undergrad GPA requirement - 2.0
 - Graduate PhD GPA requirement - 3.0
 - Graduate students need to be aware that if they fall below 3.0 GPA, they will receive an email from the university informing them that they are no longer eligible for federal loans
 - Students should document in detail all extenuating circumstances that might have caused their GPA issues so they can appeal the SAP decision before the next semester starts.

Open Forum

Adjourned at 3:23 pm

