

University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Graduate Council Minutes
November 20, 2013

Members Present: Laura Smoller, Angela Hunter, Karen Kuralt, Roger Dorsey, David Dearman, Nancy Landrum, Betty Wood, Kent Layton, Daniel Berleant, Yupo Chan, Maureen James, Tara DeJohn, Matt Gifford, Marc Seigar, Brian Berry, Emily Davis, Paige Buffington, and Dona Barry.

Members Absent: Ibrahim Duyar, Guoliang Huang, Shaun Thomas, Lillie Wichinsky, and Karen Wheeler.

Others Present: Johanna Lewis.

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Marc Seigar, chair.

Old Business:

- Minutes from November 6 approved with a revision.
- Two new policies have recently been drafted.
 - A policy to allow co-chairs and co-advisors to sit on students' committees was discussed. It is still under revision and will be voted on at a later date.
 - A policy on undergraduates earning graduate credit was discussed. It will have two key facets: undergraduates can either choose early enrollment in certain graduate programs, thus completing both degrees in approximately 5 years, or they can choose to reserve a limited amount of graduate credit taken during their undergraduate career for a possible future graduate degree. This policy was approved with small adjustments.

New Business:

- Curriculum Subcommittee:

College of Education
13-6060 MCED 7313 Intro to Middle Level Education—Name/description change
1306061 TCED 7350 Integrating Technology in PK-12 Education—New Course
Both Approved
- Personnel Subcommittee:
 1. *Recommendation for Affiliate Graduate Faculty Status*
Shaymaa Al-Shukri Doctorate U. of the Ozarks CPSM
Approved
 2. *Graduate Faculty Status Proposal Update:* Kent Layton made wording and clarity changes throughout, especially to the intellectual property section. Some sections will probably be changed with restructuring, and Dr. Layton has allowed for that in his wording. More content and wording changes were made throughout by GC members.
Approved, with amendments

Dean's Report: Dean Casey is on vacation.

Associate Dean's Report:

- Starting this week, application processing is completely paperless. ITS will be working on a new, more advanced electronic system for this process soon.
- The deadline to submit theses/dissertations to the Graduate School is December 2 for December graduation.
- The search for Dean Casey's replacement will begin after she submits her reports on restructuring and the Graduate School, which will be due in February.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Seigar at 3:44 p.m.