

University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Graduate Council Minutes
November 9, 2016

Members Present: Annie Childers, Brian Berry, Jeff Hamm, Sung-Kwan Kim, LaVerne Bell-Tolliver, Gail Hughes, Michael DeAngelis, Mary Yang, Kwasi Boateng, Karen Kuralt, Jerry Stevenson, John Siegel, Monica Davidson

Members Absent: Tansel Karabacak, Roger Dorsey, Kent Layton, Menjun Xie

Others Present: Abhijit Bhattacharyya, Lucas Crosland, Dana Steele, Kristi Wright

Meeting called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Dr. Brian Berry.

Old Business

Minutes from October 26, 2016, approved.

New Business

Report of the Curriculum Committee

College of Arts, Letters, and Science

16-6030 New Course STAT 4342/5342

16-6045 New Course MATH 7390

16-6046 New Course MATH ~~8301~~ 7396

16-6047 Program Change Mathematical Science

College of Education and Health Professions

16-6050 Program Change Gerontology

College of Engineering and Information Technology

16-6032 New Program 4+1 Construction Management

16-6052 CIS Changes to Catalog Copy

16-6053 New Certificate Program- Estimating Management

16-6054 Construction Management Program Change

College of Social Sciences and Communication

16-6049 Admissions Change Public Administration

All approved.

Report of Personnel Committee

Graduate Faculty Status Nominees for Affiliate Status

Jennifer Dodson	M.Ed. (Ph.D. in process)	UALR (Director of Student Exp.)	RHET
Hanan Mahdi	Doctorate	UALR	PHYS/ASTR
Ramjee Prasad	Doctorate	Aalborg Uni., Denmark	SYEN
Jiayin Wang	Doctorate	Xi'an Jiaotong Uni., China	EIT
Hongyun Zhang	Doctorate	Xi'an Jiaotong Uni., China	EIT

All approved.

Report of Policies Committee

- Discussion of draft of possible dual master's policy (see attached)

Dean's Report

- Embedded certificates: working on making admission to certificate programs automatic when admitted to relevant programs
- There are about 700 students a year who graduate with an adequate GPA (3.2+) who could partake in 4+1 programs if we had them in fields they were interested in and/or if they knew about the programs.
 - Possible 4+1 workshop for programs, "how-to make your own 4+1 program"
- GSA travel award is taking applications- suggestion that application allow for proof of submission of abstract, with award being dispersed pending proof of acceptance to conference
- U.S. Today rankings (see attached)
 - UALR would rather be in the National Universities category and not ranked than high on just a regional list.
- Next meetings:
 - Curriculum subcommittee will meet November 21, 2016.
 - Council will meet next on November 30, 2016. This will be the final meeting of the semester.

Open Forum

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Brian Berry at 4:17 p.m.

