

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
Graduate Council Minutes
October 8, 2008

Members Present: L. Dickerson, S. Grace, A. Hunter, M. James, S. Jennings, K. Kuralt, A. Lindsay,
D. McAlpine, S. Robison, C. Turturro, B. Wood

Members Absent: G. Anderson, J. Bailey, A. Bhattacharyya, T. Chen, B. Gentry, S. Moak, J.
Swingen, R. Syler, A. Thombre

Others Present: J. Bell, J. Lewis, C. Pickard, D. Shelton

Approval of September 24, 2008 minutes *Approved (after moving A. Hunter's name from present to absent).*

Old Business: *none*

New Business:

Report of Curriculum Sub-Committee

Donaghey College of Engineering and Information Technology

SYEN 4332/5332 Applied Operating Systems – *tabled for new form*
SYEN 7376 Fracture Mechanics – *approved*
SYEN 4340/5340 Applied Numerical Methods – *tabled for new form*
SYEN 4334/5334 Software Systems Engineering – *tabled pending action within the college*
SYEN 4336/5336 Advances in Communication -- *tabled pending action within the college*
SYEN 4330/5330 Computer Architecture – *tabled pending action within the college*
SYEN 4343/5343 Networks and Combinatorial Optimization – *approved (suspension from catalog)*
SYEN 4350/5350 Digital Signal Processing – *tabled pending action within the college*
SYEN 7374 Elasticity – *approved pending provision of library forms*
SYEN 7332 Advanced Operating System Design – *approved pending provision of departmental impact statement and correction of typographical error*
SYEN 4383/5383 Finite Element Analysis – *tabled pending action within the college*

College of Education

READ 7398 Theory and Practice in Literacy – *approved*
Program Changes: PhD in Reading – *approved*
Ed S in Reading – *approved*

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

PHIL 4333/5333 Feminist Theory – *approved*
PHIL 4387/5387 Seminar in Moral Philosophy – *approved*
PHIL 4388/5388 Seminar in Metaphysics and Epistemology – *approved*

College of Business

FINC 5320 Bank Financial Management – *tabled pending dean's signature*

FINC 5330 International Finance – *tabled pending dean's signature*

MGMT 5383 Issues in Entrepreneurship – *approved*

Report of Personnel Sub-Committee

Full

Julian Post, Jr., Ph.D.	Research Associate/ Instrumentation Specialist	GIT	
	(moved to Affiliate status until further notice)		
Rajesh Sharma, Ph.D.	Research Assistant Professor	GIT	<i>approved</i>

Affiliate

all approved

Julian Post, Jr., Ph.D.	Research Associate/ Instrumentation Specialist	GIT
Daniel A. Casciano, Ph.D.	Adjunct Professor, Science Advisor	EIT
José H. Guardiola, Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of Statistics (Texas A & M – Corpus Christi)	EIT
Zhongrui Li, Ph.D.	Research Professor, CSAM	CSAM
Beverly Lyn-Cook, Ph.D.	Senior Scientist (NCTR/FDA)	EIT
Raoul Jetley, Ph.D.	Research Scientist (CDRH/FDA)	EIT
Suleyman Tek, Ph.D.	Instructor, Lisa Academy	EIT
Justin Turner, M.S.	Lecturer, CSAM	CSAM
Vladimir Zharov, Ph.D., D.Sc.	Professor/Director of Laser Research (UAMS)	EIT

Other Business:

Full vs. Affiliate Graduate Faculty status

The titles of Research Assistant Professor and Research Associate Professor were discussed. It was noted that Senate voted down the use of these titles at UALR, although they are used elsewhere in the state. Anne Lindsay will pursue this with the Provost.

Interim Graduate Dean

Dr. Johanna Miller Lewis has been named Interim Graduate Dean

Graduate Student Handbook

There was a brief discussion about the need for a Graduate Student Handbook. It was noted that a draft of such exists, and that the topic should be revisited in the future.

Refreshments at Grad Council Meetings

At the September 10, 2008 meeting Dr. Richard Ford noted that refreshments should be supplied at Graduate Council meetings. This had not been pursued in the past because of budget constraints. Dr. Ford suggested that the Provost's office be approached to assist with this. Anne Lindsay said that this will be pursued in the near future.

UAMS' Induction Ceremony

Steve Jennings reported on a recent Research Associates' Induction Ceremony he attended at UAMS and suggested it might be something that UALR's Graduate School should pursue.

Suggestion to Perform some General Curriculum Business Electronically

Steve Jennings used a projector to demonstrate how some general business of the Curriculum Sub-committee might be done more efficiently on-line. He will set up a Council list serve and, in conjunction with Anne Lindsay, will pursue how this might work in the future.

Dean's Report: *none*

Adjourned at 4:12 p.m.