

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON GRADUATE STUDIES
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October 2, 2001

The Council on Graduate Studies met at 2:05 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2001, in the Arcola/Tuscola Room.

Members present: Dean Augustine, Dr. Costa, Mr. Goldacker, Dr. Havey, Dr. Hoberman, Dr. Key, Dr. Leitschuh, Dr. Liu, Ms. Meiners, Dr. Noll, and Dr. Reven.

Staff present: Ms. Karr.

Guests present: Dr. M. Butt, Dr. P. Fewell, and Dr. W. Gibbs.

I. Minutes.

The Minutes of September 18, 2001 were approved as written.

II. Agenda Items Acted On.

1. 01-22, IST 5330, New Course Proposal for Information Services and Technology, 5330. Dr. Butt, Dr. Fewell, and Dr. Gibbs presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. Dr. Augustine suggested and the Council concurred that the vote on this item be postponed until the October 16 meeting. The Department is submitting a revised proposal incorporating some changes suggested by the Council.
2. 01-23, IST 5331, New Course Proposal for Information Services and Technology, 5331. Dr. Butt, Dr. Fewell, and Dr. Gibbs presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. Dr. Augustine suggested and the Council concurred that the vote on this item be postponed until the October 16 meeting. The Department is submitting a revised proposal incorporating some changes suggested by the Council.

III. Add to the Agenda.

Dr. Noll moved and Dr. Havey seconded the motion to add the following item to the agenda: 01-25, BIO 5380, New Course Proposal for Advanced Biostatistics.

IV. Report.

Mr. Goldacker reported the Enrollment Management Advisory Committee had met and was co-sponsoring the Fall Forum on student recruitment and retention. The Forum is October 18 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Union.

V. Communications.

1. Dr. Key advised the Council that Dr. Dale Bowers, the second candidate for Associate V.P.A.A. for Technology, will be on campus October 3 and Council members may meet him from 2:00-2:50 p.m. at 2504 Buzzard. Dr. John Gaboury, the third candidate for this position, will be on campus on October 10. Council members may meet him from 2:00-2:50 p.m. at 2504 Buzzard.
2. Dr. Key requested a volunteer to serve on the CAA subcommittee considering the recommendations in the Report from the Taskforce on Technology-Enhanced and Delivered Courses. The subcommittee is drafting documents of course proposals and CAA policy formats.
 - Dr. Noll is going to serve on the subcommittee.

VI. Dean's Report.

1. Dean Augustine informed the Council that COTE had passed a regulation in 1999 pertaining to admission to post baccalaureate teacher certification that requires students with a G.P.A. lower than 2.5 to wait 5 years before applying for a waiver to gain admission to the program.

The policy is not in the Graduate Catalog. The Graduate Office is seeking clarification of the language of the policy and the rationale behind the adoption of the policy. Once clarification is achieved then the guideline may be brought to CGS.

2. The IBHE has informed Eastern that the 12 to 15 semester hours required in Graduate Certificate programs is too low and the number of required hours should be 18 semester hours. The 12 to 15 semester hour requirement was based on national data, and, in addition, a survey of similar programs at other Illinois colleges revealed their requirements are comparable or lower than those of Eastern.

Eastern has requested IBHE examine the issue and, in the interim, no change will be made until the issue is finalized. Any future change will only affect new students: students currently in programs will continue under the requirements of the catalog in effect when they began the program.

3. IBHE is requiring graduate schools to report on the number of hours and the types of work done by graduate assistants. The Graduate School is requesting that graduate coordinators direct this effort and Linda Barter is meeting with the coordinators to discuss this process.
4. Please inform the Graduate School of the accomplishments of graduate students and the stories will be posted on the Graduate School webpage at <http://www.eiu.edu/~graduate/>.
5. The Graduate Student Advisory Council is participating in Tent City this year and invites CGS to visit the tent. The event is October 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot of O'Brien stadium.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

Luann Karr, Coordinator

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING
Tuesday, October 16, 2001, 2:00 p.m.
Arcola/Tuscola Room

Agenda:

01-22r, IST 5330, New Course Proposal for Information Services and Technology, 5330
01-23r, IST 5331, New Course Proposal for Information Services and Technology, 5331
01-25, BIO, 5380, New Course Proposal for Advanced Biostatistics.

Pending Executive Action Items:

1. Move HIS 5010, the Administration of Historical Organizations, from Fall Semester to Spring Semester.
2. Remove HIS 5360, Historic Domestic Interiors, from the HA curriculum.
3. Rename HIS 5330, currently Material Life in America, 1600 to the Present, Material Life and Decorative Arts.
4. Renumber HIS 5110, History Museum Exhibits, which is a two-part course meeting in fall and spring, to HIS 5111 in the spring, retaining the same name to reflect that the spring semester is a continuation of the fall semester. It will meet for only 5 weeks and much of the content of the spring semester will be transferred to the HIS 5020. HIS 5110 will remain a 3 credit course.
5. Reduce the credit hours for HIS 5111, spring semester (formerly 5110), from 3 to 1, a necessary change if we are to stay within the acceptable limit of overall credit hours and make the other proposed changes work. Because it will meet for only 5 weeks, and course content will be transferred to the new

HIS 5020, 1 credit will more accurately reflect the amount of work required for the course.

Executive Officer's Report:

1. Natural Sciences Major (M.S.) – Revise the MSNS/General Science Concentration to read as follows: “(Minimum of 12 s.h. in biological sciences, chemistry, earth science/geology, or physics with thesis option; 15 s.h. minimum with non-thesis option. Students must complete at least one course each in biological sciences, chemistry, earth science/geology and physics.)”
2. Natural Sciences Major (M.S.) – Revise the MSNS/Physical Science Concentration to read as follows: “(Minimum of 12 s.h. in chemistry, earth science/geology, or physics with thesis option; 15 s.h. minimum with non-thesis option. Students must complete at least one course each in chemistry, earth science/geology and physics.)”
3. SCI/BIO, SCI/CHM, SCI/ESC, SCI/PHY graduate courses -- Eliminate the SCI prefix from BIO, ESC, CHM and PHY courses numbered 5031 through 5170 for the MSNS program. These courses will be listed by their departmental designation only – ESC 5031, 5032, 5033, 5034, 5035, 5036, 5037; BIO 5039, 5041, 5042, 5043, 5044, 5045, 5046, 5047, 5048, 5049, 5051, 5052; CHM 5040, 5050, 5070, 5080; PHY 5120, 5130, 5140, 5150, 5160, 5170