

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON GRADUATE STUDIES

October 18, 2005

The Council on Graduate Studies met at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 2005 in the Arcola/Tuscola Room.

Members present: Dean Augustine, Dr. Burns, Dr. Conn, Dr. Costa, Ms. Davis, Dr. Elder, Dr. Hake, Dr. Loewen, Dr. Owen, and Dr. O'Rourke

Members absent: Dr. Morford

Staff present: Mr. Ranes, Mrs. Beasley, and Mrs. Barter, The Graduate School

Guest present: Dr. Richard Roberts, Counseling and Student Development; Dr. Chris Hanlon, English; Dr. Scott Crawford, Physical Education; Dr. Marshall Lassak, Mathematics; Dr. Jeanne Snyder, Gerontology; Dr. Janet Cosby, Sociology; Dr. Deborah Woodley, School of Technology; Dr. Karla Sanders, Center for Academic Support/Achievement; Mr. Glenn Hild, Art; and Dr. Mike Havey and Dr. Russell Gruber, Psychology

### I. **Approval of the October 4, 2005 Minutes**

Dr. Loewen moved and Dr. O'Rourke seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

### II. **Communications**

1. College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Minutes of Friday, September 23, 2005
2. College of Education and Professional Studies Curriculum Committee Minutes of Wednesday, September 26, 2005
3. Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee Minutes of Monday, October 10, 2005

### III. **Executive Actions**

1. None

### IV. **Items to be Added to the Agenda**

1. 05-39, HIS 4860, Modern South Asia, (New Course Proposal)
2. 05-40, HIS 4930, Public History: Meaning and Method (New Course Proposal)

Dr. Costa moved and Dr. Loewen seconded the motion to add these items to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Hake entered the meeting at 2:05 pm.

### V. **Items Pending**

1. None

### VI. **Items to be Acted On**

The order of the agenda was altered to accommodate guests present.

1. 05-30, SOC 5100 (Revised Course Proposal)

Dr. Snyder and Dr. Cosby presented the proposal and answered questions of the council members.

The proposal was approved unanimously with a change of the short title from *Gerontology* to *SOC Aspect Geron* with an effective date of Spring 2006.

**SOC 5100. Sociological Aspects of Gerontology. (3-0-3) S. Gerontology  
SOC Aspect Geron.** Review of current social gerontological theories and research; consideration of structural aspects of the social order as related to the aging process. Prerequisites: Admission to the M.A. in Gerontology program or permission of instructor.

2. 05-22, Proposal: *Adopt Assessment of Student Learning Requirements for Graduate Degree and Certificate Programs* at Eastern Illinois University

Chair Burns and Dean Augustine presented the proposal to the council members. Council members and graduate coordinators discussed the assessment policy and asked questions of Chair Burns, Dean Augustine, and Dr. Sanders. The council decided to table further discussion until after the Executive meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 25. The proposal will return on the agenda at the regular meeting held on November 1, 2005.

## VII. Other Business

1. University Mission Statement

Chair Burns announced there will be a Graduate Forum held on Tuesday, November 8, 3:00 to 4:00 pm in the Arcola/Tuscola Room to discuss the University Mission Statement.

## VIII. Committee Reports

1. Textbook Advisory Board – No report
2. Library Advisory Board – No report
3. ATAC – Dr. Conn reported the first meeting was held on Friday, October 14, 2005. The new webmaster, Ryan Gibson, was introduced to the committee. Mr. Gibson stated he is forming a committee to edit the EIU web site and make it ADA compliant. It was also discussed that WebCT was purchased by Blackboard and EIU may research an alternative system.
4. Enrollment Management – No report
5. TEAM Grants Council – Dean Augustine reported the committee had met on Friday, October 14, 2005 to review 22 to 25 proposals. The committee will meet again on Thursday, October 20 to select the Professional Development Grants (PDG) for FY 2006.
6. GSAC – Dr. Owen reported the council will meet on Wednesday, October 19.
7. Thesis Awards Committee – Dr. O'Rourke reported the subcommittee will meet on Monday, October 24 to select the Outstanding Graduate Thesis Awards for FY2006.

## IX. Dean's Report

1. Faculty Development Workshop – Thursday, November 10, 2005, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Dean Augustine announced a faculty development workshop to be held on Thursday, November 10, 1:00 to 4:00 pm in the Charleston/Mattoon Room titled *Using Groups and Academic Games For Learning and Assessment*. Dr. Barbara Millis, Director of Excellence in Teaching at the University of Nevada, Reno will be the guest speaker.
2. 2006 Outstanding Graduate Alumni  
Dean Augustine stated the four 2006 Outstanding Graduate Alumni have been named and asked the council to review the abbreviated biography sent with the agenda for today's meeting.

3. Update on Graduate Alumni Advisory Board  
Dean Augustine stated he is in the process of finalizing the board members.
4. Recruiting Publication  
Dean Augustine said there will be a publication for recruiting purposes printed to replace the graduate catalog. He will distribute a copy to council members when he receives the first draft.
5. Recruiting Workshop  
Dean Augustine announced a workshop will be held January 13, 2006 to enhance graduate recruiting. He will open the workshop to everyone involved with graduate education, faculty, chairs, deans, and staff. He has sponsored four departments to attend this conference in the past and feels it would benefit all departments to attend.
6. Blair Hall  
Dean Augustine announced he and his staff walked through Blair Hall on Friday, October 14. Steve Shrake reviewed the floor plans and answered questions about the construction and work schedule.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Linda K. Barter, Coordinator

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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 1, 2005**  
**Arcola/Tuscola Room**  
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