

Graduate Council Meeting

April 16, 2025

Members Present: Karen Koehler, Jodi Dunham, Jennifer Pauley, Doug Darbro, David DeSario, John Whitaker, Mikel Stone, Jennifer Scott, Cathy Bailey, Ann Marie Allen, Debra Knutson, Adair Carroll, Jim Reneau, Christine Raber, Jason Lovins, Adam Miller, and Michael Barnhart.

Guest: Erik Larson

Topics	Discussions	Actions
<i>Roll Call and establishment of a quorum</i>	A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 4:10pm by Karen Koehler.	
<i>Minutes of the March Meeting:</i>	Karen asked if there were any corrections to the March 19 th meeting minutes. There were none.	Karen motioned that we accept the March meeting minutes. Doug seconded. Passed unanimously.
<i>Proposals:</i>		
MSNR-5130- Information Technology and Informatics in Advanced Nursing Practice	Jen Scott noted that the proposals for MSNR 6135 and MSNR 6245 needed to indicate that the proposal included a change in course title. John said that in some of the proposals the original titles for course are not listed precisely and that some of the attached syllabi don't reflect the title change. Karen asked if the council was okay with her and Adair making the corrections to the proposals on the following day and not having to resubmit to the council. Some members voiced their approval of this and no one voiced any opposition.	Jim motioned to accept the MSNR 5130, MSNR 6130, MSNR 6135, MSNR 6240, and MSNR 6245 proposals with intended changes. Cathy seconded. Passed unanimously.
MSNR-6130- Nursing Educator Project & Practicum I		
MSNR-6135- Nursing Leadership Project & Practicum 1		
MSNR-6240- Nursing Educator Project & Practicum II		
MSNR-6245- Nursing Leadership Project & Practicum 2		

MSNR 5235 MSNR 5240 MSNR 5245	The MSNR 5235, MSNR5240, and MSNR 5245 proposals were for existing courses that have been revised.	Mikel motioned to pass the MSNR 5235, MSNR 5240, and MSNR 5245 proposals. Cathy seconded. Passed Unanimously.
<i>Graduate Faculty Applicants:</i>		
Teresa Buster: Occupational Therapy	Karen asked if there were any questions or comments about Teresa's application for graduate status. Mikel noted that this application is a renewal instead of a new application as listed on the agenda. Otherwise, there were no other questions or comments	Adair motion to approve Teresa Buster's graduate faculty application. Mikel seconded. Passed Unanimously.
<i>Other Business:</i>		
Graduate Graduation Requirements and Graduate Academic Status	Doug went over the changes to the proposal from our last meeting. The proposal now mirrors the undergraduate process. Jennifer Pauley noted that the appeals committee should list the Associate Provost and not the Dean of the Graduate School. Adair suggested that the first line under Academic Probation to remove "consider to be" phrase. David asked for clarification about the next term to be the next term that the student is enrolled. Doug said he would make David's suggested change. Jim asked for clarification for students who only took one course after being put on probation and did not bring the overall g.p.a above 3.0. Doug gave an explanation. David asked if this proposal is to a new section in the graduate manual or to replace an old section. Karen explained that it was a replacement. Karen confirmed with David that David will be making the replacement change in the graduate manual.	Karen motioned to accept this change to the graduate manual with suggested alterations. Adair seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

<p>GA selection—Hiring GA’s from outside the program area</p> <p><i>Updates</i></p> <p><i>Motion to Adjourn: 4:50PM</i></p>	<p>In this follow up to our March meeting discussion, Jennifer Pauley said that there is not graduate manual item that prohibit hiring a graduate assistant from outside the program. John and Mikel expressed their lack of concern for hiring a graduate assistant from outside the program. Karen recommended talking to the graduate student’s program director before hiring a graduate assistant from another department. Karen asked if we needed language in the manual about allowing hiring a graduate assistant from another department. Mikel said she thought so. John said that this means that a program director could say no. Jen Scott said that we could just have “with written consent from the program” and an e-mail could be considered written consent.</p> <p>John said the Master’s in Mathematics Program is going through the program review process and will be having external reviewers on campus soon.</p>	<p>Karen asked David to draft such language to the manual to which David agreed to do.</p>
<p><i>Next Graduate Council meeting date:</i> Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>John Whitaker Graduate School Council Member</p>	<p>Sometime in September</p>	