

Graduate Council Minutes - 2/2/01

Present: P. Atkins, A. Balant, D. Freedman, M. Guiry, J. Hammond, E. Richards, R. Rudnitski, H. R. Stoneback

Guests: T. Meyer, M. Roehm, M. Sawyer, L. Taylor

Presiding: Phyllis Freeman, Dean of the Graduate School

The meeting was called to order in HAB 802 at 11:00 AM

1. The minutes of the meetings of December 15, 2000 and January 9, 2001 were approved unanimously.
2. Announcements
 - In preparation for a discussion with Kelli Parmley, the Presiding Officer reminded members of the Council to respond to her inquiry about the needs of various graduate programs for data that may be provided by Institutional Research.
3. Old Business
 - a. The course 15530, Human Genetics, was approved.
 - b. The course 097XX, Contemporary Issues in Clay, (formerly titled Ceramics Seminar) was discussed at length. M. Roehm explained the grading policy and requirements of the course and its relation to the corresponding undergraduate course. The course was unanimously approved with the understanding that the student performance benchmarks would be outlined in the final syllabus.
 - c. The course 36556, Storytelling, Folklore, and the English Language Arts Curriculum was approved unanimously as revised including clarification of the final course paper requirement.
 - d. The course 36701, Inquiry Into Teaching. Learning, and School 1, was approved unanimously as revised.
 - e. The course 36702, Inquiry Into Teaching. Learning, and School 2, was approved unanimously as revised.
 - f. After consultation with faculty advisors, the Subcommittee on Academic Standings presented its recommendations for the four graduate students facing potential loss of their matriculation status: three will be continued with special conditions, one student will lose her matriculation status and P. Atkins will talk to the advisor of the fourth student.
4. New Business
 - The new "Speech and Language Disabilities" concentration of the M.S.Ed. in Communication Disorders was reviewed. Minor changes had been made in the curriculum since it was originally approved by the Council in 1999. The Council voted to approve the revisions pending approval by the Liberal Arts and Sciences Senate and the receipt of a signed cover sheet (6 in favor, 1 abstention).

- a. Consideration of the following courses was delegated to the course approval subcommittee:

397XX Learning Environments for Adolescent Learners with Disabilities
397XX Teaching Math, Science, and Technology in Inclusive Classrooms
397XX Literacy and Social Sciences Instruction for Adolescent Learners
with Disabilities
36748 Teaching Literature in the High School
397XX Practicum in Adolescent Education
36551 Field Experience 1

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne C. Balant, Secretary