

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

January 15, 2009

The Graduate Council met electronically January 15, 2009. The following members participated: Clay Arnold, Tammy Benson, Tim Bisping, Jane Dahlenburg, Lisa Daniels, James Fowler, Cori French, Ramesh Garimella, Bruce Hutchinson, Shane Irgens, Terry James, Jeff Jarvis, Paul Jensen, Weijiu Liu, Elaine McNiece, Julie Meaux, Rick Noyes, Randall Pouwels, Mike Rubach, Joan Simon, and David Skotko.

I. Graduate Council Minutes from November 20, 2008 were approved as distributed.

II. Report on Graduate Faculty Review Process

Dr. Skotko reported that proposals related to the graduate faculty approval process are being revised by departments/colleges and will be ready for distribution with the February agenda.

III. New Program Proposal/New Course Proposals/Curriculum Changes

A. Subcommittee II recommended approval of the following MBA proposal

Eliminate the graduate level Pre-MBA program and Graduate Certificate program and delete associated courses:

MBA 5310	Financial and Managerial Accounting
MBA 5320	Foundations of Economic Science
MBA 5330	Finance Concepts
MBA 5340	Principles of Management
MBA 5350	Fundamentals of Marketing
MBA 5360	Quantitative Analysis for Business

Approval was unanimous.

B. Subcommittee II recommended approval of HIST 5365, The History of Imperialism. Approval was unanimous.

IV. Information Items

A. Change in Course Titles and Numbers

Revised:

PTHY 7228 Clinical Education Practicum in Physical Therapy to Clinical Education Practicum I in Physical Therapy

PTHY 7328 Clinical Education Practicum in Physical Therapy to Clinical Education Practicum II in Physical Therapy

PTHY 7528 Clinical Education Practicum in Physical Therapy to Clinical Education Practicum III in Physical Therapy

PTHY 7528 Clinical Education Practicum in Physical Therapy to PTHY 7529 Clinical Education Practicum IV in Physical Therapy

PTHY 7528 Clinical Education Practicum in Physical Therapy to PTHY 7530
Clinical Education Practicum V in Physical Therapy

B. Change of Bulletin description of degree requirements in MS in applied mathematics

Revised description: To obtain the M.S. degree in applied mathematics, a student in the thesis option must earn 30 hours and a student in the non-thesis option must earn 33 hours. The thesis option requires the successful completion of a comprehensive examination. The student will also select a thesis advisor at this time, if the thesis option is chosen. Both options must include a minimum of 18 hours at 6000-level and the Core Courses: Math 6342, math 6345, and Math 6348. The remaining hours may include other courses at the 5000-level with the approval of the student's advisory committee. A student who selects the non-thesis option will be allowed at most two attempts at passing the comprehensive examination. If a student who has selected the thesis option wishes to change to the non-thesis option, no credit will be granted for thesis courses. A student will be allowed no more than one change of option.

C. Change in course title and course description for Bulletin

NURS 6301 Nursing Research Methodology to Research for Evidence-Based Practice I

Revised description: The first of two research courses that examines the role of research in evidence-based practice for advanced nursing practice. Emphasis is on identifying clinical questions, accessing research evidence, and appraising research evidence for scientific merit and clinical utility.

NURS 6304 Nursing Research Utilization to Research for Evidence-Based Practice II

Revised description: The second of two research courses that examines the role of research in evidence-based practice for advanced nursing practice. Emphasis is on synthesis of research evidence, research utilization models, identification of practice outcomes, and translation of research into clinical practice.

Prerequisite change: NURS 6301 Research for Evidence-based Practice I

NURS 6347 Theoretical Bases for Nursing to Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice

Revised description: Focus is on critique, evaluation, and utilization of appropriate theory for practice and/or research. Relevant theories from nursing and other fields are explored.

D. Change in Prerequisites/Bulletin description

GEOG 6380, GIS Research Methodology

Revised description: Familiarization and practice with the tools and methods of research in geographic information systems at the graduate level. Prerequisite: GEOG 5310, Geographic Information Systems and GEOG 6328, Spatial Analysis and Modeling.

GEOG 6390, Thesis Research

Revised description: Research, writing, and oral defense of a Master's thesis on geographic information systems. May be repeated for up to 6 credit hours.

Prerequisite: GEOG 6380, GIS Research Methodology.