The Graduate Council met by Virtual Call for Graduate Council January 21, 2010. The following members participated: Clay Arnold, Tammy Benson, Tim Bisping, Jane Dahlenburg, Lisa Daniels, Lorien Foote, Ramesh Garimella, Bruce Hutchinson, Terry James, Jeff Jarvis, Paul Jensen, Joshua Jones, Weijiu Liu, Elaine McNiece, Julie Meaux, Patricia Mounce, Rick Noyes, Stephanie Platt, Joan Simon, David Skotko and Jaime Zambrano.

I. Graduate Council Minutes from November 19, 2009 were approved unanimously.

II. Subcommittee I (Dr. Lisa Daniels, Chair) recommended approval of Five year BS/MS combined degree program option in Computer Science.

   Updated application for admission section to reflect concurrent graduate student instead of conditional graduate student.

   Approved unanimously.

III. Subcommittee II (Dr. Ramesh Garimella Chair) recommended approval of variable credit for thesis courses to comply with Graduate School requirement for continuous enrollment.

   Mathematics – Math 6396 Thesis to 6196, 6296, 6596 and 6696.

   Approved unanimously.

IV. Subcommittee III (Dr. Julie Meaux, Chair) recommended approval for the following new courses:

   a. HIST 5333 – U.S. Immigration History
      Updated course syllabus
   b. HIST 6305 – Topics in Non-Western History
   c. HIST 6371 – Research in History

   Approved unanimously.

Information Items

   a. Changed MATH 6397 title from Thesis I to Thesis
   b. Deleted MATH 6397, Thesis II
c. Approval of Graduate Faculty Appointment:

Dr. Benjamin Riner, Philosophy and Religion, Graduate Faculty, Initial Affiliated membership (three years)

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Benson
Secretary