GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES Thursday, November 20, 2014, Wingo 315 1:40 p.m.

The Graduate Council met on November 20, 2014. The following members participated: Jaclyn Austin, Stephanie Bellar, Noel Campbell, Ben Cash, Ramon Escamilla, Janet Filer, John Gale, Art Gillaspy, Bruce Hutchinson, Terry James, R.B. Lenin, Wendy Lucas, Letha Mosley, Arijit Mukherjee, Tom Oxner, Michael Rosenow, Michael Schaefer and Joan Simon.

Members absent were Rhonda McClellan and Mark McMurtrey.

Action Items:

- 1. Graduate Council Minutes of October 23, 2014 were approved.
- 2. Terry James, Chair of Subcommittee III, recommended approval of variable credit hour courses for OTHY 6621 Fieldwork Experience II Rotation I to OTHY 6151, 6251, 6351, 6451, 6551, 6651. *Vote to approve was unanimous.*
- 3. Terry James, Chair of Subcommittee III, recommended approval of the change in credit hour values and corresponding syllabi (with the addition of license agreements) for the following Nursing Dept. courses:
 - a. NURS 6305 Educational Concepts for Advanced Nursing Practice (3 hours) to NURS 6205 (2 hours)
 - b. NURS 6370 Clinical Nurse Leader Practice (3 hours) to NURS 6470 (4 hours)

Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 4. Terry James, Chair of Subcommittee III, recommended approval of the following new courses in the Nursing Dept.
 - a. NURS 6413 Primary Care of Older Adults
 - b. NURS 6414 Primary Care of Children
 - c. NURS 6511 Primary are of Young Adults
 - d. NURS 6512 Primary Care of Middle Age Adults

Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 5. Ben Cash, Chair of Subcommittee II, recommended approval of the change in the MSE in Special Education program from 36 credit hours to 30 credit hours
 - Vote to approve was unanimous.
- 6. Ben Cash, Chair of Subcommittee II, recommended approval of course content revision for the following Special Education courses:
 - a. ECSE 6300 Philosophical, Historical, & Legal Aspects of Special Education
 - b. ECSE 6304 Behavior Management and Analysis in Special Education
 - c. ECSE 6366 Educational Programing for Students with Mild Disabilities K-12
 - d. ECSE 6367 Educational Programming for Students with Significant Disabilities K-12

Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 7. Ben Cash recommended approval of moving the following courses from the Elementary, Literacy and Special Education Dept. to the Teaching and Learning Dept.
 - a. ECSE 6353 Introduction to Gifted and Talented Education
 - b. ECSE 6355 Curriculum for Gifted Children
 - c. ECSE 6357 Creativity for the Gifted and Talented
 - d. ECSE 6358 Strategies for the Gifted and Talented
 - e. ECSE 6391 Advanced Practicum: Educational Practice in Gifted Education

Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 8. Terry James recommended approval of a prefix change from ECSE to GATE for the following courses from the Teaching and Learning Dept.
 - a. ECSE 6353 from Introduction to Gifted and Talented Education to GATE 6353
 - b. ECSE 6355 from Curriculum for Gifted Children to GATE 6355

- c. ECSE 6357 from Creativity for the Gifted and Talented to GATE 6357
- d. ECSE 6358 from Strategies for the Gifted and Talented to GATE 6358
- e. ECSE 6391 from Advanced Practicum: Educational Practice in Gifted Education to GATE 6391
- 9. Letha Mosley, Chair of Subcommittee I, recommended approval of additional required courses in the Teacher Leadership track of the MSE in Advanced Studies in Teacher Leadership
 - a. ITEC 6368 Technology Planning & Leadership
 - b. SMLA 6330 Curriculum & Program Leadership

Vote to approve was unanimous.

- 10. Letha Mosley, Chair of Subcommittee I, recommended approval of the following new courses in the Elementary, Literacy and Special Education Dept.:
 - a. ECSE 6309 Solution-Focused Learning
 - b. ECSE 6333 Math & Science for Diverse Learners
 - c. ECSE 6384 Research Based Best Practices in Special Education

Vote to approve was unanimous.

11. Michael Rubach, presented the Masters in Business Administration's (MBA) proposal to waive the entrance examination (GRE/GMAT) admission requirement for those students meeting a list of other criteria. After some discussion, recommendation were made to revise and consolidate the list to be presented again to the council in December. Dr. Bellar announced that the Masters in Accountancy (MAcc) will also present a similarly revised proposal in December.

Information Items:

- 1. Course title and description change for OTHY 6171, 6271, 6371, 6471, 6571, 6671
- 2. Removal the following required courses in the Teacher Leadership track of the MSE in Advanced Studies in Teacher Leadership:
 - a. ASTL 6310 Integrating Media & Technology
 - b. ASTL 6325 National Board
 - c. ASTL 6385 Curriculum Development
- 3. Advanced Studies in Teacher Leadership/Content track name change to Content/Generalist track
- 4. Deletion of 5/6 endorsement with coursework requirement by Arkansas Dept. of Education
- 5. Deletion of Instructional Facilitator track in the M.S.E. in Advanced Studies in Teacher Leadership and the Instructional Facilitator Graduate Certificate
- 6. Course title changes from Elementary, Literacy and Special Education Dept. for the following:
 - a. ECSE 6304 from Behavior and Classroom Management to Behavior Management & Analysis in Special Education
 - b. ECSE 6366 from Educational Programing for Students with Mild Disabilities to ECSE 6366 Educational Programing for Students with Mild Disabilities K-12
 - c. ECSE 6367 from Educational Programming for Students with Significant Disabilities to ECSE 6367 Educational Programming for Students with Significant Disabilities K-12
- 7. Graduate Faculty Appointments
 - a. Dr. Ramon Escamilla, WRT, initial full Graduate Faculty (3 years)
 - b. Dr. Matthew Gifford, BIOL, initial full Graduate Faculty (3 years)
 - c. Ms. Christine Gossett, MUS, initial affiliate Graduate Faculty (3 years)
 - d. Mr. Jason Gossett, MUS, initial affiliate Graduate Faculty (3 years)
 - e. Dr. Kristine Hicks, BIOL, initial associate Graduate Faculty (3 years)

Announcements:

Next meeting of the Graduate Council will be held electronically after the Thanksgiving break.