



Minutes of the 6th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2020-2021

Date and Time: Thursday, March 4, 2021
Place: Zoom Meeting

Zoom Attendance: Dr. Britta Anderson, Dr. Mario Beruvides, Dr. Eric Cardella, Dr. Robert Cox, Dr. Kaj Gittings, Dr. Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Dr. Mellinee Lesley, Dr. Lisa Lim, Dr. Matthew Santa, Dr. Doug Smith, Dr. Alex Wiseman

Ex-officio: Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Louisa Hope-Weeks, Dr. Kristi Gaines, Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan, Ms. Carrye Syma,

Visitors: Dr. Carlos Carpio, Dr. Jeong Hee Kim, Dr. Robert Jones, Dr. Carla Lacerda, Dr. Brandon Weeks,

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate School website at www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool.

II. A motion was made by Robert Cox and seconded by Matt Santa to approve the minutes from the 5th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, February 4, 2021. The Graduate Council approved these minutes.

III. Students admitted to Doctoral Candidacy.

The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of their departments. A motion was made by Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer and seconded by Britta Anderson approve the list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

Olabode	Ajibola	Petroleum Engineering
Malima Sugandika	Atapattu Mudiyansele	Mathematics
Elie	Bechara	Petroleum Engineering
Jessica	Blume	Human Development and Family Sciences
Delphine	Broccard	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Isuru Dilan	Dassanayake	Mathematics
Amanda	de Oliveira Barros	Mechanical Engineering
Rabin	Dhokal	Mechanical Engineering

Gracie	Gonzalez	Curriculum and Instruction
Patrick	Harty	Exercise Physiology
Nilan Manoj Chathuranga	Kasisetti Mudalige	Mathematics
Mark	Lacour	Experimental Psychology
Swarupa	Mandal	Plant and Soil Science
Austin	Moore	Agriculture Comm & Education
Ahmed	Muhammad	English
Lazar	Nesovic	Chemical Engineering
Bushra	Rahman	Chemical Engineering
Ashwin	Ramanujam	Chemical Engineering
Eric	Reed	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Matthew	Stratton	Exercise Physiology
Fatemehsadat	Tabei	Electrical Engineering
Theodore	Vinden	Music
Aletha	Williams	Curriculum and Instruction
Mohammad	Yosofvand	Mechanical Engineering

IV. Academic Requests

A motion was made by Doug Smith to bring ENGR 5361 off the table and up for approval. A second was made by Robert Cox. The Graduate Council approved to remove from tabling.

A motion was made by Matt Santa to approve the following ENGR courses. A second was made by Doug Smith to approve the following courses. The Graduate Council approved.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

ENGR 5361: Global Regulatory and legal Requirements of Quality – (*Addition*)

ENGR 5362: Product Development and Validation – (*Addition*)

ENGR 5363: Risk and Failure Analysis – (*Addition*)

All of the following come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer to approve all of the following proposals. The Graduate Council approved the proposals.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

***AGRIBUSINESS, GRADUATE MINOR* (*Minor Addition*)**

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

***Accelerated MS Bioengineering with BS Computer Sciences* (*Addition*)**

***Accelerated MS Bioengineering with BS Chemical Engineering* (*Addition*)**

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

RETL 6355: Strategic Planning and Merchandising 3:3:0:0 (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

M.ED. in Bilingual Education and English as a Second Language - (program title change and modality)

ESTM 6370: Current Topics and Trends in STEM Education Research (*title change* from Research in STEM Education and *CIP Code* 1312130004)

ESTM 6371: Effective Policy advocacy in STEM Education (change in *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6372: Applied Assessment in STEM Education (change in *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6373: Theories of STEM Education (change in *title* from Advanced Theory of Inquiry in STEM Education, *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6374: STEM Education Assessment, Policy, and Practice (change in *title* from International STEM Education Assessment, Policy and Practice, *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6375: Professional Development in STEM Education (change in *title* from Staff Development in STEM Education, *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6378: Applications of Global Science Education (change in *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6379: Applied Research in STEM Education (change in *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6380: Advanced Practicum in STEM Education (change in *title* from Advanced Practicum in Global STEM Education, *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

ESTM 6393: Advanced Practicum in STEM Education Policy Advocacy (change in *course description* and *CIP Code* to 1312130004)

V. Graduate Faculty

The following Graduate Faculty Applications come with a motion of approval from the Graduate Faculty sub-committee and was seconded by Alex Wiseman. The Graduate Council Approved.

- a. Janice Killian – Music
- b. Philip Mann – Music
- c. Yujiao Zu – Nutritional Sciences

VI. Old Business

Dr. Kristi Gaines gave a brief summary and updates on tracking Digital Measures information on Graduate Students. There will be more information to come.

VII. New Business

Dr. Sheridan discussed the 99-hour credit limit. The Graduate School has a list with students over the 99-hours. The Enrollment team will start monitoring credits hours and will be following student progress more closely.

VIII. Announcements

The Graduate School had over 130 participants for the Virtual Annual Poster Competition. The event was a huge success.

The Graduate School to this date has 1100 Master and 110 Doctoral students apply to graduate for the May commencement.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, April 1, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.