



Minutes of the 8th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2020-2021

Date and Time: Thursday, May 6, 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. Brad Johnson, 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,

Visitors: Mr. William Armstrong, Ms. Andrea Bilkey, Mr. David Cannon, Dr. Barbie Chambers, Dr. Joe Claudet, Dr. Julie Couch, Dr. Mahyar Hadighi, Dr. Daniel Kelly, Ms. Lydia Kloiber, Dr. Antonio Ladeira, Mr. Kuhn Park, Dr. Wyatt Phillips, Dr. Victor Sheng, Dr. Eonsuk (Michael) Shin, Dr. Charlotte Stockton, Ms. Sarah Timmons,

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 Matt Santa and seconded by Britta Anderson to approve the minutes from the 7th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, April 1, 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 Robert Cox and seconded by Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer to approve the list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

Matthew	Abide	Electrical Engineering
Gonzalo	Alfaro Velasquez	Hospitality Tour Retail Management
Abeer	Althawad	Economics
Nishat	Anjum	Chemical Engineering
Wolduamlak	Ayele	Mechanical Engineering

Thuvaraki	Balasubramaniam	Biology
Akshata	Balghare	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Sagar	Chhetri	Systems and Engineering Management
Homa	Choubtarash Abardeh	Hospitality Tour Retail Management
Hasib Hassan Khan	Chowdhury	Hospitality Tour Retail Management
Remona	Clark	Counselor Education
Seth	Corley	Educational Psychology
Shelley	Danaher	Special Education
Deepika	Dhiman	Fine Arts
Manya	Ebrahimzadeh	Hospitality Tour Retail Management
Dustin	Eicke	Higher Education Research
Crystal	Evans	Educational Psychology
Sandra	Figaro-Henry	Instructional Technology
Jennifer	Gardner	Curriculum and Instruction
Gracie	Gonzalez	Curriculum and Instruction
Omar	Gonzalez	Spanish
Luis Felipe Andres	Gutierrez Espinoza	Computer Science
Jacob	Hall	English
Leslie	Hasty	Human Development and Family Sciences
Roham	Hossein Sabzevari	Educational Psychology
Christy	Howard	Educational Psychology
Jessecia	Jackson	Educational Psychology
Jayasinghe Mudiyansele	Jayasinghe	Mathematics
Christy	Johanson	Higher Education Administration
Dallas	Kennedy	Special Education
Seungman	Kim	Educational Psychology
Nikki	LaRosa	Clinical Psychology
Laura	Lennis Cortes	Fine Arts
Kristina	Lewis	English
Lin	Lin	Mechanical Engineering
Ellen	Lukasik	Curriculum and Instruction
Puneet Kaur	Mangat	Plant and Soil Science
Mauricio	Martinez	Exercise Physiology
Brook	McClurg	English
James	Muriuki	Agricultural and Applied Economics
Natneal	Negash	Mechanical Engineering
Jasmine	Neupane	Plant and Soil Science
Hamid	Noghanibehambari	Economics
Bogdan	Olevskyi	Hospitality Tour Retail Management

Antonio	Pagan-Silberman	Clinical Psychology
Nicolas	Peralta Ortega	Mechanical Engineering
Evan	Perkowski	Biology
Tyler	Press	Educational Leadership
Alicia	Press	Educational Leadership
Charles	Ramey	Educational Psychology
Kaley	Roberts	Clinical Psychology
Terra	Tindle	Educational Psychology
Craig	Tipton	Biology
Quan	Tran	Mechanical Engineering
Dimin	Wang	Hospitality Tour Retail Management
John	Zapata Hincapie	Chemical Engineering
Yifang	Zeng	Educational Psychology

IV. Academic Requests

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

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

NRM 6204: Advanced Statistical Applications in Ecology (*course number change* from 6304 and *credit/contact hour change* from 3 to 2)

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Master of Science in Architecture: Historic Preservation Concentration (*concentration change*)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ENGL 5340: Research Methods in Literature and Languages (change in *course description*)

ENGL 5342: Critical Methods (change in *course description*)

ENGL 5351: Studies in Film and Media (change in *title* from Studies in Film and Literature and *course description*)

ENGL 5352: Studies in Fiction (*Deletion*)

ENGL 5354: Doctoral Research and Critical Methods in English (*Addition*)

GERM 5317: East-German Literature and Culture (*Addition*)

MATH 5360: Professional Development (change in *title* from Advanced Mathematics for Teachers I and *course description*)

Portuguese (*Addition* in Minor)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Master of Science in Nutritional Sciences (*curricular change*)

Doctor of Philosophy in Nutritional Sciences (*curricular change*)

COLLEGE OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

PCOM 6315: Special Topics in Professional Communication (*Addition*)

RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accelerated B.B.A. to M.S. Finance Program (*curricular change*)

Graduate Certificate in Commercial Banking (*Phase Out*)

Commercial Banking (*Concentration addition*)

FIN 5326: Seminar in Investment Management (change *title* from Seminar in Portfolio Theory and Management, *course description* and *CIP code* to 52.0801.0016)

FIN 5333: Seminar in Credit and Lending (change in *course description*)

Investment Management Concentration (*Concentration Addition*)

COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Graduate Certificate in Arts Entrepreneurism (*Addition*)

VPA 5325: Arts Entrepreneurship: ENFP (Entrepreneur Not-For-Profit) Marketing Formula (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

EDBL 5320: Advanced Content Area Instruction in Spanish for Dual-Language Classrooms (*change in pre-requisite*)

EDPL 5390: Foundations in Blended and Personalized Learning (change in *prefix* from EDCI)

EDLD 5381: School District Resource Management (*change in pre-requisite*)

EDLD 5392: Doctoral Internship – Leadership (*restrictions*)

EDLD 6001: Advanced Study – Special Topics (*restrictions*)

EDLD 6300: Organizational Theory (*restrictions and pre-requisite*)

EDLD 6340: Educational Policy and the Law (*restriction and pre-requisite*)

EDLD 6361: Doctoral Seminar in Educational Administration (*restrictions*)

EDLD 6385: Research in Education Administration (*restrictions*)

LDLS 6344: Content Area and Disciplinary Literacies Policy and Research (change in *prefix* from EDLL, *title* from Content Area Literacy Policies and Research, and *course description*)

EPCE 5366: Dysfunctional Behavior of Adults (*change in Pre-requisite*)

EPCE 5374: Techniques of Counseling II (*change in Pre-requisite*)

EPCE 5377: Crisis Intervention Counseling (*change in pre-requisite*)

ESTM 6376: Philosophy and History of STEM Education (*Addition*)

ESTM 6381: Equity in STEM Education (*Addition*)

ESTM 6382: STEM in Context (*Addition*)

ESTM 6399: STEMinar (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Master of Science in Software and Security Engineering (**program title change**)

Graduate Certificate in Software Engineering (**curricular change**)

CHE 5375: Analysis of Electrochemical Systems (**Addition**)

CS 5333: Special topics in Security: (**Addition**)

CS 5340: Introduction to Information and Computer Security (**Addition**)

CS 5342: Network Security (**Addition**)

CS 6343: Cryptography (**Addition**)

CS 6345: Digital Forensics (**Addition**)

CS 6359: Data Security and Privacy (**Addition**)

CS 6378: Software Security (**Addition**)

Graduate Security in Security (**Addition**)

PETR 5390: Petroleum Geology and the Reservoir (**Addition**)

PETR - 5391 - Reservoir Engineering and Project Evaluation (**Addition**)

PETR 5392: Drilling, Completion, and Production Methods (**Addition**)

GRADUATE SCHOOL

M.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies with Concentration in Energy (**concentration**)

Library and Information Science (**phase out**)

HONORS COLLEGE

HONS 5400: Honors Selected Topics in Law (**Addition**)

V. Graduate Faculty

The following faculty application came with a motion of approval from the Graduate Faculty sub-committee. A second was made by Matt Santa to approve the following application. The Graduate Council approved.

- a. Akif Ibragimov – Mathematics & Statistics

VI. Old Business

Dr. Kristi Gaines gave a brief summary and updates on the Annual Report, more information to come. She also gave the updates on Grade Replacement Policy. The Policy comes with a motion of approval from the Graduate Affairs committee. A second was made by Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer to approve the Policy. The Graduate Council approved.

Dean Sheridan also discussed the requirement for all graduate students to have some TA training. More information to come on this discussion.

VII. New Business

None

VIII. Announcements

Commencement for 2020 Graduates will be on May 7, 2021 at the Jones AT&T Stadium.
Commencement for the Spring 2021 Graduates will be on Mary 14, 2021 at the Jones AT&T Stadium.

Dean Sheridan announced the graduate number for the Spring 2021 graduates as follows:

Doctoral	137
Masters	911
Certificates	110

Summer Graduate Council will be held on Thursday, July 8th 2021, at 2:30 p.m. via zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.