



Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of  
The Graduate Council  
2021-2022

**Date and Time:** Thursday, March 3, 2022  
**Place:** Zoom Meeting

**Zoom Attendance:** Dr. Burak Aksak, Dr. Robert Cox, Dr. Jaclyn Cravens, Dr. Brad Johnson, Dr. Scott Longing, Dr. Tommy Lu, Dr. Babu Mariadoss, Dr. Andrew Stetson, Dr. Anna Tacon, Dr. Alex Wiseman

Ex-officio: Dr. Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Dr. Kristi Gaines, Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan,

Visitors: Dr. Shane Blum, Mr. David Cannon, Dr. Carolos Carpio, Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Bill Gardner, Dr. Gencie Houy, Dr. Jeff Lee, Dr. Patricia Maloney, Dr. Annelise Nguyen, Dr. Latchezar Popov, Dr. Mallory Prucha, Ms. Heather Scalf, Dr. Nancy Slagle, Dr. Magdalena Toda

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate School website at [www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool).

II. A motion was made by Brad Johnson and seconded by Andrew Stetson to approve the minutes from the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Graduate Council that was to be held on February 3, 2022 but was cancelled due to University Closure for inclement weather and the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting held on Thursday, March 3, 2022. 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 on February 3, 2022. A motion was made by Babu Mariadoss and seconded by Burak Aksak to approve the list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

Olusanmi	Adeniran	Systems and Engineering Management
Jelilat	Adesiyan	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Abdulaziz	Alqusayer	Hospitality, Tourism, and Retail Management
Taslim Rahman	Anupom	Electrical Engineering
Miriam	Armstrong	Experimental Psychology

Md Fakhrul	Azad	Biology
Joanna	Bateman	Biology
Becca	Bergquist	Clinical Psychology
Shubhra	Bhattacharjee	Civil Engineering
Amber	Boykin	Educational Psychology
Matthew	Buckholz	Wildlife Science Aquatic Wildland Management
Justin	Callais	Agricultural and Applied Economics
Hsiao Ju	Chen	Music
Shawnte	Clawson	Family and Consumer Science Education
Barbara	Corbisier	Higher Education Administration
Joe	Coreas	Higher Education Administration
Jiexin	Dai	Mathematics
Stacie	Del Angel	Educational Leadership
Juan	Dominguez	Chemistry
Mazen	Elsaid	Chemistry
Thomas	Ericson	Chemistry
Dioser	Ferreira Dos Santos	Mechanical Engineering
Kendra	Fletcher	Higher Education Administration
Blake	Foraker	Animal Science
Rohana Kumara	Gonapeenuwala Vithana	Mathematics
Pedro	Gonzalez Cruz	Chemical Engineering
Mona	Haji Agha Bozorgi	Fine Arts
Md Abdul	Hakim	Chemistry
Alexis	Hardesty	Mathematics
Christopher	Hepburn	Fine Arts
Rachel	Herny	Curriculum and Instruction
Mohammed Naimul	Hoque	Mechanical Engineering
Jarret	Hostas	Educational Leadership
Jinghui	Huang	Wind Science and Engineering
Andrew	Huish	Music
Cody	Hutchison	Music
Chinomso	Ihenagwam	Special Education
Hyojung	Jung	Hospitality, Tourism, and Retail Management
Qi	Kang	Agricultural and Applied Economics
Joshua	Kulseth	English
Jennifer	Laflam	Higher Education Administration
Cory	Lawson	Fine Arts
Lisa	Lucia	Agricultural Education
Kara	Martinez	Higher Education Administration

Carolyn	Mayeda	Electrical Engineering
Jennifer	McLaughlin	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Md Borhan	Mia	Electrical Engineering
Tony	Miller	Higher Education Administration
Brian	Millner	Higher Education Administration
Aisha	Moultry	Higher Education Administration
Caitlyn	Mullins	Nurtitional Sciences
Elnaz	Nahirafee	Interior Environmental Design
Matthew	Nichols	Educational Leadership
Jon	Ortiz	Music
*Jenna	Petterson	Plant and Soil Science
Loron	Pinnock Brown	Animal Science
Maik	Reddiger	Physics
Jonathan	Rice	Music
Luis	Rohena	Higher Education Administration
Seth	Shaffer	Music
Michelle	Shaheen	Music
Kasey	Simmons	Agricultural Education
Marie	Smithwick	Music
Zachary	Stickley	Educational Psychology
Kaley	Stringfellow	Special Education
Jingyi	Sun	Music
Bipana	Thapaliya	Computer Science
Nereyda	Trevino	Educational Leadership
Davi	Valerio De Queiroz Rodrigues	Electrical Engineering
Robert	Van Dyke	Family and Consumer Science Education
Amy	Vu	Higher Education Administration
Yongli	Wang	Civil Engineering
Shannon	Watson	Curriculum and Instruction
Angela	Westerfield	Educational Leadership
Sydney	Wilburn	Educational Psychology
Yanchi	Wu	Wind Science and Engineering
Winson	Yang	Experimental Psychology
Yasar	Yanik	Mechanical Engineering
Hamed	Yekita	Interior Environmental Design
Yang	Zhou	Hospitality, Tourism, and Retail Management

\*Advanced to candidacy posthumously

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Mohammad	Alimohammadirokni	Hospitality, Tourism, and Retail Management
Nachiket	Arbad	Petroleum Engineering
Balasuriya Mudiyansele	Balasuriya	Mathematics
Adegbola	Balogun	Chemical Engineering
Joel	Bell	Educational Psychology
Seth	Boese	Chemical Engineering
Jenny	Combest	Educational Psychology
Morgan	Connor	English
Kristi	Cook	Educational Psychology
Jordan	Cox	Educational Psychology
Kassidy	Cox	Counseling Psychology
Michael	De Leon	Educational Leadership
Isaac	Eason	Chemistry
Ahmed	El Shazly	Petroleum Engineering
Nicholas	Garcia	Experimental Psychology
Haibin	Gu	Plant and Soil Science
Moein	Hajjian Zaker Damghan	Chemical Engineering
Ruwani Rasanjali	Herath Mudiyansele	Mathematics
Md Sifat	Hossain	Chemical Engineering
Youyi	Huang	Computer Science
Lisa	James	Higher Education Research
Elizabeth	Jones	Curriculum and Instruction
Rutwik	Joshi	Chemical Engineering
Zulfiqar	Khan	Computer Science
Max	Kirschenbaum	English
Jessica	Lawrence	Physics
Tianyu	Li	Human Development and Family Sciences
Xinying	Ling	Geosciences
S.M. Tanveer	Mahtab	Chemical Engineering
Michael	Moffitt	Educational Leadership
Ileana	Moreno	Educational Psychology
Matthew	Nesbitt	Agriculture Communication and Education
Michael	Opsteegh	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Vitalis	Othoun	Agricultural and Applied Economics

Omonpee	Petcoff	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Varun	Potdar	Chemical Engineering
Linda	Rost	Curriculum and Instruction
Sadia	Saberin	Chemical Engineering
Dipu	Saha	Chemical Engineering
Atiyya	Saroyia	Chemical Engineering
Madelin	Siedler	Exercise Physiology
Kolawole	Sonibare	Chemical Engineering
Erin	Stukenholtz	Wildlife, Aquatic, and Wildlands Science Management
Cheng-Jung	Sung	Plant and Soil Science
Dongyang	Tang	Electrical Engineering
Micah	Taylor	Educational Leadership
Justin	Turney	Educational Leadership
Morgan	Williamson	Biology
Nathan	Wilson	Chemical Engineering

#### IV. Academic Requests

A motion was made by Burak Aksak to un-table the ***PhD. Minor in Advanced Research Methods in Business*** and to approve.

All of the following come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee meeting held on January 27, 2022 . A second was made by Scott Longing to approve all of the following proposals. The Graduate Council approved the proposals.

#### COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

ARTH 5301: Art History Graduate Internship (***Addition***)

THA 5330: Design Principles and Process (***Addition***)

#### RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

ISQS 5350 Data Technology Environments (change in ***title*** from Project Management and ***course description***)

***PhD Minor in Advanced Research Methods in Business (Addition)***

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

AAEC 6316: Advanced International Trade and Policy (***Pre-Requisite***)

#### COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

***Master of Hospitality and Retail Management (credit hour change)***

PFP 5350: Individual Tax Planning (***change in Pre-requisite and Co-requisite***)

PFP 5397: Risk Management and Insurance Planning (change in ***course number*** from 5497, ***course description***, and ***credit/contact hours***)

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

**SOC 5312: Seminar in Sociology of Education** (change in *title* from Seminar in Urban Education Problems and *course description*)

All of the following come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee meeting held on February 24, 2022. A second was made by Brad Johnson to approve all of the following proposals. The Graduate Council approved the proposals.

## DAVIS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES

**Doc@Distance – EdD in Agricultural Education; Joint EdD with TAMU** (*Degree phase out*)

## COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

**Graduate Certificate in Advanced Entrepreneurship in the Services Industry** (*Addition*)

**Hospitality and Retail Management Master of Science** (*delivery modality change*)

**Master of Hospitality and Retail Management** (*curricular change*)

**HRM 5345: Advanced Consumer Behavior in the Services Industries** (*Addition*)

**FCSE 5342: Contemporary Adult and Continuing Education in Human Sciences** (change in *title* from Contemporary Adult and Continuing Education in Family and Consumer Sciences Education and *course description*)

**PFP 5472: Wealth Management** (change in *course number* from 5372, *course description* and *credit/contact hours*)

## COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

**Graduate Certificate in Music Technology** (*Addition*)

**Collaborative Piano – Instrumental** (*new track proposal*)

**Collaborative Piano – Vocal** (*new track proposal*)

**Graduate Certificate in Historical Performance Research and Practice** (change in *title* from Graduate Certificate in Early Music Performance Practice)

**MUAP 5122: Introduction to Diction for Collaborative Pianists** (*Addition*)

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

**ECO 5358: Macroeconomics of Economic Development** (*Addition*)

**GEOG 5101: Seminar on Professionalism in Geography** (*Addition*)

**Mathematical Finance Concentration** (added to both *MS in Mathematics* and *MS in Statistics* programs) (*concentration addition*)

**PhD in Mathematics (Re:list of elective courses)** (*curricular change*)

## SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

**SVM 5251: Immunology** (*Addition*)

**SVM 5271: Virology** (*Addition*)

**SVM 5370: Microbiology** (*Addition*)

**SVM 5380: Parasitology** (*Addition*)

**SVM 5390: Curriculum and Assessment in Veterinary Medical Education** (*Addition*)

**SVM 5391: Learning and the Learner: Contemporary Issues in Veterinary Medical Education** (*Addition*)

## V. Graduate Faculty

The following faculty applications came with a motion of approval from the Graduate Faculty subcommittee to be awarded adjunct status. A second was made by Alexander Wiseman to approve the following applications. The Graduate Council approved.

- a. Ryan Litsey – Educational Psychology, Leadership & Counseling
- b. Kellie Gray – English
- c. Callie Kostelich – English
- d. Benjamin Rogerson – English
- e. Jessica Smith – English

The following faculty application come with a motion of approval from the Graduate Faculty subcommittee to be awarded full graduate faculty status. A second was made by Scott Longing to approve the application. The Graduate Council approved.

- a. Jane S. Rogosch – Natural Resources Management

## VI. Old Business

None

## VII. New Business

The graduate school is working on a proposal to increase support for graduate students from the grant the university is getting from the state of Texas. This was discussed at the Faculty forum that was held on February 23, 2022.

## VIII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan announced the Graduate School Student Poster Competition was taking place today, It was a great turn out and the students were excited to be able to communicate in person with faculty, colleague and visitors regarding their poster research.

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Next meeting will be on April 7, 2022.