



Minutes of the 8th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2022-2023

Date and Time: Thursday, May 4, 2023
Place: Zoom Meeting

Zoom Attendance: Dr. Deborah Carr, Dr. Jaclyn Cravens, Dr. Melissa Gotlieb,
Dr. Babu Mariadoss, Dr. Jon McNaughtan, Dr. J. Sarturi, Dr. Devendra Shah,
Dr. Andrew Stetson, Dr. Mark Webb, Dr. Alex Wiseman,

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

Visitors: Dr. Ashlee Brown, Dr. Lauren Griffith, Dr. Sandra Huston,
Dr. Angela Lumpkin, Dr. Xiaohan Ma, Dr. Aaron Norris,
Ms. Mallory Prucha, Dr. Stephanie Shine, Dr. Kamaleshwar Singh,
Dr. Ernest Smith, Dr. Chenggang Wang, Dr. Jian Wang

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 Jon McNaughtan and seconded by Babu Mariadoss to approve the minutes 7th meeting of the Graduate Council that was held on Thursday, April 6, 2023. 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 Mark Webb and seconded by Devendra Shah to approve the list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

Shelby	Hatch	Addictive Disorders and Recovery Studies
Zachary	Nichols	Addictive Disorders and Recovery Studies
Oscar	Sarasty Miranda	Agricultural and Applied Economics
Samantha	Barker	Animal Science
Shiva	Abdollahi Aghdam	Biology
Touseef	Ahmed	Biology
Benjamin	Barr	Biology
Maria	Sochi	Business Administration

Sai	Zhang	Chemistry
Nischal	Bhattarai	Civil Engineering
Yibin	Zhang	Civil Engineering
Yi-Hsin	Hung	Couple, Marriage and Family Therapy
Zachary	Trevino	Couple, Marriage and Family Therapy
Jesus	Esquibel	Curriculum and Instruction
Gonzaga	Mukasa	Curriculum and Instruction
Candice	Cross	Educational Leadership
Shannon	Flynn	Electrical Engineering
Cody	Francis	Electrical Engineering
Victoria	O'Brien	Electrical Engineering
Jennessa	Hester	English
Elizabeth	Hughes	English
Laura	Koleva	English
Casey	Appell	Exercise Physiology
Ema	Bidiwala	Experimental Psychology
Hannah	Snidman	Experimental Psychology
Brittany	Beck	Family and Consumer Sciences Education
Jose Santos Patron	Ardivilla	Fine Arts
Pardis	Bakhtiari	Fine Arts
Isaac	Arseneau	Geosciences
Devi	Khajishvili	History
Andrea	Arriet Padilla	Industrial Engineering
Feliza Marie	Mercado	Instructional Technology
Arsalan	Abutalebi	Mechanical Engineering
Colton	Cagle	Mechanical Engineering
Guilherme	Dufflis Fernandes	Mechanical Engineering
Tania Rifat	Jahan	Mechanical Engineering
Sadman	Labib	Mechanical Engineering
Camilo	Lopez Salazar	Mechanical Engineering
Olin	Parker	Mechanical Engineering
Jerimiah	Zamora	Mechanical Engineering
Savana	Everhart	One Health Sciences
Alexis	Favela	Special Education
Qiang	Chen	Wind Science and Engineering

IV. Academic Requests

A motion was made by Babu Mariadoss and seconded by Alex Wiseman to make a friendly amendment to the following proposals to bring the proposed changes in congruence with current graduate school policy on required hours and transfer credit. The Graduate Council approved the amendment.

DAVIS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural and Applied Economics (*CIP Code change 01.0103.00*)

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
Petroleum Engineering Ph.D. (curricular change)

All of the following above and below come with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee meeting held on April 27, 2023. A second was made by Devendra Shah to approve all of the following proposals. The Graduate Council approved all proposals.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
KIN 7301: Advanced Exercise Physiology I (change in *course description and tandem course*)
KIN 7303 Advanced Exercise Physiology II (*Tandem course*)
KIN 7316: Applied Statistics in Kinesiology (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES
Accelerated Bachelor to Master in Human Sciences (program change)

DAVIS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Master in Agricultural and Applied Economics (*CIP Code change 01.0103.00*)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
ANTH 5325: Alternative Ethnographic Representations (*Addition*)
BIOL 5316: Advanced Principles of Terrestrial Ecosystem Ecology (*Addition*)
BIOL 5326: Advanced Vector Biology (*Addition*)
Doctoral Program in Economics (curricular change)
Environmental Toxicology M.S. (curricular change)
Environmental Toxicology Ph.D. (curricular change)
GIST 5314: Geospatial Data Science (*pre-requisite change*)
GIST 5316: Spatial Programming and Geostatistics (*pre-requisite change*)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES
Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Family Policy (Addition)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Graduate Certificate in Teacher Mentoring and Instructional Coaching (title change from Graduate Certificate in Master Mentoring)

DAVIS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES

NRM 6326: Advanced Range Improvements (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

THA 5339: Applied Studio for Theatre and the Entertainment Industry (*Addition*)

THA 5340: Period Styles for Design (*Activity type*)

V. Graduate Faculty

None

VI. Informational Items

None

VII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan announced that commencement will be held on Friday, May 12, 2023 at the United Super Markets Arena. We will have around 920 participants in the commencement ceremony. With an estimated 155 Doctoral degrees and estimated 1100 Masters degrees being awarded this Spring semester. Thank you to all of you for your hard work in graduating these students.

Next meeting will be on July 13, 2023