



Minutes of the 2nd meeting of
The Graduate Council
2020-2021

Date and Time: Thursday, October 1, 2020

Place: Zoom Meeting

Zoom Attendance: Dr. Britta Anderson, Dr. Mario Beruvides, Dr. Eric Cardella, Dr. Robert Cox, Dr. Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Dr. Bradley Johnson, Dr. Lisa Lim, Dr. Tommy Lu, Dr. Matthew Santa, Dr. Doug Smith, Dr. Alex Wiseman

Ex-officio: Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan, Ms. Carrye Syma

Visitors: Dr. Alec Cattell, Dr. Brent Lindquist, Dr. Angela Lumpkin, Dr. Svetlozar Rachev, Dr. Michael Serra, Dr. Elizabeth Trejos-Castillo

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 Alex Wiseman to approve the minutes from the 1st meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, September 3, 2020. 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 Britta Anderson and seconded by Robert Cox to approve the list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

Sevgi	Arca	Computer Science
Katherine	Capp	Curriculum and Instruction
Gabriel	Dominguez Partida	Media and Communication
Marangely	Gonzalez Cruz	Civil Engineering
Natasha	Harbin	Curriculum and Instruction
Aileen	Hermes	Curriculum and Instruction

Courtney	Janes	Curriculum and Instruction
Michelle	Jones	Family and Consumer Sciences Education
Kamal	Lamichhane	Physics
Xinyang	Li	Educational Psychology
Chao	Li	Economics
Kelsea	Miller	Mechanical Engineering
Khalid	Mursi	Computer Science
Mahdi	Naser-Moghadasi	Computer Science
Xiaoli	Qiu	Electrical Engineering
Matthew	Saldana	Wind Science and Engineering
Zachary	Shaw	Electrical Engineering
Md Abu	Siddik	Nutritional Sciences
Alex	Smith	Civil Engineering
Nihar Sri Naga	Sreepada	Media and Communication
James	Stewart	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Heidi	Tennison	Special Education
Jingying	Tian	Wind Science and Engineering
Jennifer	Trent-Nichols	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Jessica	Ulmer	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Nathanial	Wiggins	Systems and Engineering Management

IV. Academic Requests

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

NRM 5403: Experimental Design and Analysis (*change in pre-requisites*)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

GERM 5313: Germany and the European Union (*Addition*)

GERM 5322: German Business Culture (*Addition*)

KIN 8000: Doctoral Dissertation (*Addition*)

Mathematical Finance (Track Addition)

PSY 5352: Seminar in Memory (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

ENGR 5380: Renewable Electric Power Systems (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Human Development and Family Sciences, Ph.D. (degree program title change from Human Development and Family Studies, Ph.D.)

Human Development and Family Sciences, M.S. (degree program title change from Human Development and Family Studies, M.S.)

Human Development and Family Sciences: Youth Development Specialization, M.S. (degree program title change from Human Development and Family Studies: Youth Development Specialization, M.S.)

Human Development and Family Sciences: Gerontology Specialization, M.S. (degree program title change from Human Development and Family Studies: Gerontology Specialization, M.S.)

GRADUATE SCHOOL

WE 5304: Applications of Renewable Energy Technology 3:3:0:0 (*Addition*)

WE 5312: Renewable Energy Law, Policy & Regulation 3:3:0:0 (*Addition*)

M. A. in Interdisciplinary Studies (credit hour change from 36 to 30)

IS 6301: Foundations of Interdisciplinary Studies 3:3:0:0 (*Addition*)

IS 6304: Tackling Wicked Problems 3:3:0:0 (*Addition*)

V. Graduate Faculty

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

- a. Shu Wang – Nutritional Sciences

VI. New Business

Dean Sheridan will be sending messages to coordinators, chairs and advisors regarding year end reports and individual development plans.

VII. Announcements

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.