



Minutes of the 4th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2015-2016

Date and Time: Thursday, December 10, 2015

Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Matt Baker, Dr. Jeff Burkhardt, Dr. Anne Chalex-Boyle, Dr. David Ivey, Dr. Robin Lock, Dr. Stephen Morse, Dr. Ranadip Pal, Dr. Bill Poirier, Dr. Steven Richards, Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Weiwu Zhang

Ex-officio: Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Clifford Fedler, Dr. Mark Sheridan,

Visitors: Dr. Tim Fitzgerald, Dr. Bill Pasewark, Dr. Ralph Viator

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 Stephen Morse and seconded by Matt Baker to approve the minutes from the 3rd meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, November 5, 2015. 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 David Ivey and seconded by Ranadip Pal. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

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| Eevin C. Akers | Experimental Psychology |
| Ahmad EAE Alansari | Interior and Environmental Design |
| Shashwati Atwe | Chemical Engineering |
| Rozana Bari | Chemical Engineering |
| Sourav Barman | Mechanical Engineering |
| Michael W. Christensen | Music |
| Miles V. Condon | Business Administration |
| Joy Cooney | Technical Communication & Rhetoric |

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| Thotahewage M. De Silva | Mathematics |
| James A. Faulkner | Physics |
| Rashell L. Fratangelo | Curriculum and Instruction |
| Sarah E. Fumagali | Biology |
| Elias Gonzalez | Mathematics |
| Muyang He | Mechanical Engineering |
| Michael C. Holcomb | Physics |
| Sharron S. Hubbard | Educational Leadership |
| Roxana Jahanbakhsh Javid | Civil Engineering |
| Odin Jesse | Mathematics |
| Gulten Karaoglan-Bebek | Physics |
| Patrick Kelly | Electrical Engineering |
| Fatih Koca | Educational Psychology |
| Wenjing Li | Petroleum Engineering |
| Evelyn Lopez | Chemical Engineering |
| Kerry Manzo | English |
| Rozbeh B. Moghaddam | Civil Engineering |
| Julie D. Neal | Higher Education |
| Julio C. Perez Mendez | Spanish |
| Thanh T. Phan | Curriculum and Instruction |
| Siroj Pokharel | Animal Sciences |
| Logeswari Ponnusamy | Environmental Toxicology |
| Katrina Prow | English |
| Maria Isabel Salazar Alvarez | Industrial Engineering |
| Matthew A. Sowa | Chemistry |
| Jesse Thomas | Curriculum and Instruction |
| Brandi C. Welch | Zoology |
| Elaine Wisniewki | Technical Communication & Rhetoric |
| Faisel Zalm | Curriculum and Instruction |
| Jia Zhang | Nutritional Sciences |

IV. Academic Requests

The following Master's Proposal came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Stephen Morse to approve the Master's proposal. The council asked for a clarification of the change request (adding a concentration as oppose to a new proposal). The Graduate Council approved the addition of the concentration with the clarification being made.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Energy Economics

The following Master's proposal came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Stephen Morse to approve the reduction in hours for the Master's proposal. The Graduate Council approved.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

M.S. in Accounting (hour reduction)

The following Accelerated Bachelors/Masters program came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Ranadip Pal to approve the Accelerated Program. The Graduate Council approved.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Accelerated Bachelors/Masters in Interdisciplinary Studies

VI. New Business

Dean Sheridan mentioned the Graduation numbers for the December Graduation, (84 Ph.D., 539 Master's, and 72 Graduate Certificates). Dean Sheridan encouraged all to attend the Graduation ceremony tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m.

Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work has submitted an application to grant someone Graduate Faculty Status. Stephen Richards motioned to table the approval until we get a better rationale for the request.

VII. Announcements

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on February 4, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.