Minutes of the 8th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2015-2016

Date and Time: Thursday, May 5, 2016
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. Chris Weiss, Dr. Weiwu Zhang

Ex-officio: Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Tim Dallas, Dr. David Doerfert, Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan

Visitors: Dr. Lydia Kloiber, Dr. Lynn Huffman

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 Steven Richards to approve the minutes from the 7th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, April 7, 2016. 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 Chris Weiss. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Aboohamidi Abbas  Agricultural and Applied Economics
Sajjad Abedi  Electrical Engineering
Liza Alonzo  Higher Education
Ahmed Alshiha  Hospitality Administration
Nanthawan Am-Eam  Industrial Engineering
Md Ruhul Amin  Nutritional Sciences
Aaron Austin  Higher Education
IV. Academic Requests

The following course applications, graduate certificate and change in CIP codes for program proposals came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Weiwu Zhang. The Graduate Council approved all requests.

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SPAN 5364: A History of Spanish Literature in the Nineteenth Century (3:3:0:0) (change in title from Nineteenth Century Spanish Literature and description)
SPAN 5366: Twentieth and Twenty-First Century Spanish Prose (3:3:0:0) (change in title from Twentieth Century Spanish Prose and description)

SPAN 5376: Twentieth and Twenty-First Century Spanish American Prose (3:3:0:0) (change in title from Twentieth Century Spanish American Prose and description)

SPAN 5386: Advanced Topics in Hispanic Linguistics (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

ENGL 5302: Middle English Language: Translating Middle English Literature (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Master of Science in Nutritional Sciences – change in CIP code

Doctorate of Philosophy in Nutritional Sciences – change in CIP code

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION:

Graduate Certificate in Personalized Learning Methods

EDSP 5396: Standardized Cognitive and Achievement Assessment (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

The following course application came with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. A second was made by Dr. Chris Weiss with the request that the Tandem Justification be updated and more clarified with the suggestions by the council before approving at Academic Council. The updates were completed.

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BIOL 3305: Organic Evolution ((3:3:0:1) (change in course number from 4305, contact hours from 3:3:0:0 and description)

V. Graduate Faculty

The following graduate faculty applications came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Graduate faculty sub-committee. A second was made by Robin Lock to approve the applications. The Graduate Council approved.

Jason Rinaldo (Adjunct)    Accounting
Jennifer Moore-Kucera (Adjunct)    Plant and Soil Science
VI. New Business

Dean Mark Sheridan presented the Council with the graduation numbers for the Spring semester. We have 121 Doctoral, 753 Masters, with 646 non-thesis and 107 thesis.

VII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan announced that Dr. Tara Stevens will be our Banner Bearer and Dr. Jeffrey Burkhardt will be our Mace Bearer for the Spring 2016 commencement Ceremony. Spring 2016 commencement will be on Friday, May 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the United Supermarkets Arena.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in room 313 of the Administration Building.