



Minutes of the 9th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2015-2016

Date and Time: Thursday, July 21, 2016
Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Matt Baker, Dr. Jeff Burkhardt, Dr. Robin Lock, Dr. Stephen Morse,
Dr. Bill Poirier, Dr. Steven Richards, Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Chris Weiss,

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

Visitors: Dr. Brendan, Kelly, Dr. Jeff Lee, Dr. Bob Morgan,
Dr. Nurxat Nuraje, Dr. Sharran Parkinson, Dr. Megan Thoen

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 Robin Lock to approve the minutes from the 8th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, May 5, 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 Steven Richards and seconded by Chris Weiss. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Robin Aldana
Asmaa Alfadhel
Tariq Ali
Sami Alsulami
Rola Amar
Eric Asare
Bay Barbosa
Turgut Baturalp

Music
Business Administration
Petroleum Engineering
Educational Leadership
Marriage and Family Therapy
Agricultural and Applied Economics
Educational Leadership
Mechanical Engineering

Erica Baumle	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Lisa Baxter	Plant and Soil Science
Matthias Bougreau	Animal Sciences
Maeghan Brundrett	Civil Engineering
Laura Cannon	History
Rong Chang	Educational Psychology
Peter Cook	Animal Science
Curtis Craig	Experimental Psychology
Rebecca Crowder	Curriculum and Instruction
Darshan Desai	Physics
Chamila Dissanayake	Systems and Engineering Management
Haileyesus Endeshaw	Mechanical Engineering
Philena Farmer	Curriculum and Instruction
Patricia Fausset	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Elizabeth Fleener	Curriculum and Instruction
Urisonya Flunder	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Phil Frederick	Geoscience
John Paul Garcia	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Harshvardhan Gazula	Industrial Engineering
Chinatu Gladrich	Human Development and Family Studies
Walter Gutierrez Rodriguez	Mechanical Engineering
Mark Steven Hainline	Agricultural Communication and Education
Melinda Hammerschmidt	Curriculum and Instruction
Yanlai Han	Civil Engineering
Batool Haq	Curriculum and Instruction
Cari Hart	Curriculum and Instruction
Jennifer Hewitt	Chemical Engineering
Tishanna Hollins	Psychology - Clinical
Latasha Holt-Bocksnick	Curriculum and Instruction
Azadeh Jalali	Economics
Jesse Jalomo	Higher Education
Tashemia Jones	Higher Education
Kimberly Jones	Fine Arts
Carvis Junious	Higher Education
Erin Justyna	Curriculum and Instruction
Melissa Lambert	History
Patrick Larson	Chemistry
John Leidel	Computer Science
Mike Lemon	English
Ying Liu	Geoscience
Janaka Maheepala	Economics
Dujuan Meng	Chemistry
Avery Miller	Educational Psychology

Stephen D. Morrison	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Catherine Natler	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Bryant Nelson	Computer Science
Thu Nguyen	Geoscience
Gary Null	Systems and Engineering Management
John Oakleaf	Wildlife, Aquatic Wildlands Science Management
Shanna Padgham	Political Science
Kayla Randolph	Curriculum and Instruction
Manish Ranjit	Industrial Engineering
Kyle Roberson	Family and Consumer Science Education
Homer Robertson	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Jennifer Rumsey	Curriculum and Instruction
James Schrock	Electrical Engineering
Angela Shaffer	Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Trampas Monroe Smith	English
Kayla Tindle	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Mariana Ulibarri-Horan	Special Education
Amanda Veesart	Higher Education – Higher Education Research
Jilong Wang	Mechanical Engineering
Haiyan Wang	Agricultural and Applied Economics
Natalie Welcome	Curriculum and Instruction
Carla Wessels	Animal Science
Donna Wicker	Higher Education
Jeremy Wilkinson	Environmental Toxicology
Peumali Withanage	Economics
Dong Xue	Physics
Guo Zheng Yew	Civil Engineering
Yang Yu	Industrial Engineering
Zhenhuan Zhang	Mechanical Engineering
Qianji Zheng	Computer Science

IV. Academic Requests

The following course applications, came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. Steven Richards motion to approve all course applications with making the change on the title for GIST 5320. Stephen Morse second the motion with the request being done. The Graduate Council approved all requests.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

GIST 5320: Special Topics in GIST (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

FSCI 5360: Report Writing and Expert Testimony (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

GCH 5315: Sedimentary Provenance (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

GCH 5371: Analytical Methods in Laser Ablation ICPMS (3:0:3:1) (*Addition*)

- GPH 5353:** Basin Analysis (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)
HIST 5321: Studies in Sports History (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)
HIST 5322: Studies in United States Foreign Relations (3:3:0:0) (change in *course title* from Studies in United States Diplomatic History and *description*)
HIST 5349: Studies in Early Modern European History (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)
PSY 5481: fMRI Design and Data Analysis (4:3:0:2) (*Addition*)
PSY 5353: Seminar in Cognitive Neuroscience (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

- CHE 5393:** Colloid Science and Engineering (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

- FIN 6036:** Seminar in Special Topics in Finance (V1-6) (change in *course number* from 6136, *contact hours* from 1:1:0:0 and *description*)
FIN 6331: Seminar in Asset Pricing Theory (3:3:0:0) (change in *course title* from Seminar in Finance Foundations and *description*)
FIN 6333: Seminar in Empirical Methods in Asset Pricing (3:3:0:0) (change in *course title* from Seminar in Investments, and *description*)
FIN 6335: Seminar in Financial Markets and Institutions (3:3:0:0) (change in *course title* from Seminar in Financial Markets and *description*)

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES:

- NRM 6323:** Wildland Fire Management Practicum (3:2:0:1) (*Addition*)
PSS 5380: Advanced Strategies for Learning in Data-Driven Agricultural Research (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

V. Graduate Faculty

Dean Sheridan presented a draft copy of the Graduate Faculty OP 64.10 to the Graduate Council and asked them to discuss it with their peers in their departments for any suggestions or feedback they may have.

VI. New Business

The Graduate will host two sessions for the new Graduate Student Orientation on August 22nd and August 26th.

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VII. Old Business

The new implementation of the letter grade (I) changing to letter grade of an (F) will begin this Fall 2016 semester.

VIII. Announcements

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in room 313 of the Administration Building.