Minutes of the 1st meeting of
The Graduate Council
2017-2018

Date and Time: Thursday, September 7, 2017
Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Scott Baugh, Professor Anne Chalex-Boyle, Dr. Jeff Burkhardt,
Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Courtney Meyers, Dr. Ranadip Pal,
Dr. Steven Richards, Dr. Toby Rider, Dr. Trent Seltzer, Dr. Walter Smith,
Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Leslie Thompson, Dr. Chris Weiss

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

Visitors: Dr. Hansel Burley, Dr. Jongpil Cheon, Dr. Fanni Coward,
Dr. Luke Lefebvre, Dr. Olga Murova, Dr. Abdul Narmin,
Dr. Robin Verble-Pearson

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 Chris Weiss and seconded by Anne Chalex-Boyle to approve the minutes from the 9th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, July 6, 2017. 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 Courtney Meyers and seconded by Chris Weiss to approve the September list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list.

- Beniot Ahanda    Mathematics
- Istiaque Ahmed    Physics
- Hawra Alghasham  Physics
- Keller Andrews   Physics
- Krishna Bahadur Bhandari Plant and Soil Science
- Zachary Boswell  Chemistry
- Amandeep Kaur Brar Chemistry
- Austin Burrow Agricultural Communications & Education
- Chumki Chakraborty Mechanical Engineering
Lu Cheng Chemistry
Corey Collins Business Administration
Michael Crites Experimental Psychology
Xiaozhang Du Electrical Engineering
Joshua Engwer Mathematics
Jennifer Fierke Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Catherine Figert Personal Financial Planning
Danielle Gant Business Administration
Taryn Gilbert English
Kyle Gilliam Agricultural Communications and Education
Alexandra Gordienko Physics
Brittany Gorral Educational Psychology
Erin Grogan Fine Arts
Olivia Hamlin Marriage and Family Therapy
Kathi Haynes Special Education
Kevin Hill Mechanical Engineering
Derrick Holland Mass Communication
Nafiz Jaidye Physics
Akash Jain Mechanical Engineering
Byungkwan Jung Computer Science
Elizabeth Kafka Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Naveen Kumar Environmental Toxicology
Jennifer Lehman Personal Financial Planning
Zhikun Liu Personal Financial Planning
Porter Macey Marriage and Family Therapy
Avisek Maity Electrical Engineering
Terri Manley Mass Communication
Ashley Meyer Fine Arts
Shiva Moaven Chemistry
Sarahi De Los Angeles Morales Vanegas Agricultural Communications and Education
Caroline Neale Civil Engineering
Mary Norman Media and Communication
Deborah Padraza Systems and Engineering Management
Rebecca Perkins Wildlife Science, Aquatic and Wildlands Science and Management
Leobardo Richarte Delgado Wildlife Science, Aquatic and Wildlands Science and Management
Rullan Rinaldi Economics
Sarah Schonian Marriage and Family Therapy
Fei Shen Marriage and Family Therapy
Gail Smith Curriculum and Instruction
Eric Sowell Physics
Jared Stanley Fine Arts
IV. Academic Requests

The following Academic Requests came to the full Graduate Council with a motion of approval from the Academic Program sub-committee. Tara Stevens the motion to approve the following. The Graduate Council approved all requests.

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

NRM 5304: Fire Behavior and Ecology (3:3:0:0) (*change in contact hours*)

AAEC 5304: Applied Logistics (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

AAEC 6316: Advanced International Trade and Policy (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

**COLLEGE OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION**

COMS 6305: Seminar in Communication for Center Directors (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

**JERRY S. RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**

ISQS 5346: Statistics for Data Science (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

ISQS 6350: Multivariate Analysis (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

ACCT 6303: Applied Accounting Research Methods (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

ACCT 6305: Advanced Seminar in Corporate Governance Accounting Research (3:3:0:0) (*Addition*)

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

*M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction with Concentration in Curriculum Studies and Teacher Education (CSTE) (New Concentration)*

*Educational Psychology Ph.D. with Instructional Technology Track (New Concentration)*

LDLS 6350: Research Methods in Language, Diversity, and Literacy (Change in *title* from Studies in Language Arts, in *description*, and in *course prefix* from EDLL)
EDCI 5390: Foundations in Blended and Personalized Learning (3:2:0:0) *(Addition)*  
EDCI 6360: Introduction to Data-driven Models of Inquiry in Curriculum and Instruction (3:3:0:3) *(Addition)*  
EDCI 6361: Advanced Studies in Data-driven Models of Inquiry in Curriculum and Instruction (3:3:0:3) *(Addition)*  
EDCI 6367: Design-Based Research for Educational Contexts (3:3:0:0) *(Addition)*  
EDCI 6370: Policy Issues in K-12 Curriculum and Instruction (3:3:0:2) *(Addition)*  
ECTE 6305: Critical Contemporary Issues in Curriculum Studies & Teacher Education (3:3:0:3) *(Addition)*  
ECTE 6310: Theoretical Frameworks for Curriculum Inquiry (3:3:0:0) *(Addition)*  
ECTE 6316: Research Design in Curriculum Studies and Teacher Education (3:3:0:0) *(Addition)*  
ECTE 6322: Writing for Publication and Dissemination of Research in Curriculum Studies and Teacher Education (3:3:0:3) *(Addition)*

The following Education Doctoral Programs were tabled.

*Doctorate of Education Higher Education Administration* – reduction in hours from 96 to 60 hours.  
*Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction* – reduction in hours from 93 to 69 hours.  
*Ph.D. in Higher Education – Higher Education Research* – reduction in hours from 96 to 66 hours.

V. Graduate Faculty  

  a. None

VI. Old Business

Dr. Sheridan opened up the discussion on Responsible Research Conduct. He stated that we discussed this during the Spring Semester and now asked the Graduate Council for their thoughts. Mark would like to adopt a policy with this council. Mark will also discuss this with the Faculty Senate, and the Deans Council. He may ask Ms. Evola and Ms. Messuri to come do another presentation for all the new members on the council.

VII. New Business

Dean Sheridan gave the enrollment numbers for the Graduate School. The number for the Fall 2017 are 5,773 and the Fall 2016 numbers were 6,058. The Texas Tech whole enrollment is 36,950. Dean Sheridan said that the Council of the Graduate Schools just reported that 40% of schools are reporting a decline in enrollment.
VIII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan announced that the Graduate School will have GEEP funding this semester on a first come first serve basis and we will have student travel funding this semester.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in room 313 of the Administration Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.