Minutes of the 5th meeting of  
The Graduate Council 
2017-2018

Date and Time: Thursday, February 1, 2018 
Place: Room 313, Administration Building 

Attendance: Dr. Scott Baugh, Dr. Claudia Cogliser, Dr. Courtney Meyers, 
Dr. Ranadip Pal, Professor Robert Perl, Dr. Steven Richards, 
Dr. Toby Rider, Dr. Trent Seltzer, Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Leslie Thompson, 
Dr. Chris Weiss 
Ex-officio: Dr. Tim Dallas, Ms. Winter Davis, Dr. David Doerfert, 
Dr. Kristi Gaines, Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan 

Visitors: Dr. Fanni Coward, Dr. Charlotte, Dunham, Provost Mike Galyean, 
Dr. Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Ms. Laura Heinz, Dr. Susan Larson, 
Dr. Yehia Mechref, Dr. Kristina Mitchell, Dr. Susan San Francisco, 
Dr. Ruth Serra-Moreno, Ms. Carrye Syma, Dr. Elizabeth Trejos-Castillo, 
Dr. Jatindra Tripathy, Dr. Eric Walden, Dr. Jon Webb, 

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 Ranadip Pal to approve the minutes from 
the 4th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, December 14, 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 Claudia Cogliser and seconded by Courtney Meyers to 
approve the January/February list. The Graduate Council approved the candidate list. 

Pooya Aavani Biology 
Matthew Acre Wildlife Science, Aquatic and Wildlands Science and Management 
Ibtihaj Alsadun Interior Environmental Design 
Alexis Arevalo Counseling Psychology 
J. Edward Bates Higher Education Research
Connie Brown    Higher Education Research
Cari Carter    Curriculum and Instruction
Byeong Gwan Cho    Chemistry
Daria Cochran    Educational Psychology
Selenda Cumby    Curriculum and Instruction
Carlos De Niz Perez Negron    Electrical Engineering
Marilyn Dement    Higher Education Administration
Brook Dickison    Higher Education Administration
Cristina Diordieva    Instructional Technology
Joseph Dornich    English
Eric Easton    Systems and Engineering Management
Armando Elizondo Noriega    Systems and Engineering Management
David Enck    Systems and Engineering Management
Emma Evanovich    Clinical Psychology
Lindsey Everette    Higher Education Administration
Kara Aretha Graham    Curriculum and Instruction
Utku Gulbulak    Mechanical Engineering
Richard Haasl    Higher Education Administration
Amy Heard    Higher Education Research
Quan Hoang    Mathematics
Lamicha Hogan    Higher Education Research
Zhonglue Hu    Mechanical Engineering
Gayle Jeffers    Curriculum and Instruction
David Jones    Higher Education Administration
Tarek Kandakji    Geosciences
Hoyeol Kim    Industrial Engineering
Brian Larsen    English
Yong Lee    Chemical Engineering
Yu Liang    Animal Sciences
Yangxue Liu    Chemistry
Baohui Liu    Economics
Yan Luo    Economics
Robert Mcclary    Systems and Engineering Management
Alexis Milmine    English
Samrat Moitra    Biology
Maliha T. Munir    Nutritional Sciences
Fidelis Ngang    Higher Education Administration
Jessica Pease    Wildlife Science, Aquatic and Wildlands Science and Management
Ziaul Hasan Rana    Nutritional Sciences
Brook Roberts    Educational Psychology
Naveen  Tiruvengadam   Systems and Engineering Management
Sasan  Torabzadeh Khorasani   Industrial Engineering
Lindsay  Voyles   Higher Education Administration
Alicia  Walls   Curriculum and Instruction
Alyssa  Word   Animal Sciences
Sana  Yaqobi   Curriculum and Instruction
Wendy  Yoder   Higher Education Administration

IV. Academic Requests

All of the following come with a motion of approval from the sub-committee. A second was made by Leslie Thompson to approve all of the following changes, courses, new certificate and program proposals. The Graduate Council approved.

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.) (Addition)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MS Forensic Science (Change) –
Change administrative home for the M.S. in Forensic Science degree from the College of Arts and Sciences to the Department of Environmental Toxicology.
BIOL 6311: Applied Virology (3:0:0:1) (Addition)
POLS 5385: Casual Inference and Quasi-Experimental Methods (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
SPAN 5356: Seminar in Hispanic Culture: Hispanic Urban Cultural Studies (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Graduate Certificate in Cross-Cultural Studies (Addition)
ADRS 6342: Advanced Topics in Addictive Disorders and Recovery Studies (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Graduate Minor in Biotechnology (Addition)
Graduate Certificate in Biotechnology (Addition)
BTEC 5322: Bioinformatics: Methodologies and Applications (change in course number from 5222 and credit/contact hours to (3:3:0:0))
Concentration in Bioinformatics Research (Addition)
Concentration in Life Sciences Research (Addition)
Master’s of Library and Information Science (Addition)
MLIS 5310: Introduction to Information Technology (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

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MLIS 5315: Public Services (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5318: Curriculum and Course Design for Librarians (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5319: Introduction to Archives: Theory and Practice (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5320: Organizational Knowledge (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5325: Fundamentals of Collection Strategies and Resources Management (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5330: Special Topics in Library/Archival Sciences (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5331: Independent Study in Library/Archival Sciences (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
MLIS 5340: Practicum (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

Women’s and Gender Studies (change in departmental name from Women’s Studies)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction with a Concentration in Personalized Learning (Addition)
M.Ed. Education Psychology – change in semester credit hours from 36 to 45.
ECTE 6393: Advanced Practicum in Curriculum and Instruction I (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
LDLS 6320: Research Practicum in Language, Diversity, and Literacy Studies (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
LDLS 6331: Research and Pedagogical Approaches in Latino/Bilingual/ESL Education (3:3:0:0) (Addition)
LDLS 6351: Critical Studies in Bilingual/Bicultural Children’s and Adolescent Literature (3:3:0:0) (Addition)

RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics (Administrative Unit Change)

V. Graduate Faculty

The following Graduate Faculty application comes with a motion of approval from the subcommittee. A second was made by Leslie Thompson to approve following Graduate Faculty Application. The Graduate Council approved.

Vivian Wu – Plant and Soil Science

VI. Old Business

None
VII. New Business

None

VIII. Announcements

Dean Sheridan announced the President committed an additional $2M for enhancing graduate student enrollment to be disbursed beginning Sept 1, 2018. $1M has been allocated to specific high-quality/high impact programs within colleges to support growth. Another $1M will be used to match graduate student support in extramural awarded grants.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. in room 313 of the Administration Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.