

Minutes of the 4th meeting of The Graduate Council 2024-2025

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5, 2024

Place: Zoom Meeting

Zoom Attendance: Dr. Kanika Batra, Dr. Deborah Carr, Dr. Benildo de los Reyes,

Dr. Clifton Ellis, Dr. Melissa Gotlieb, Dr. Ryan Huston, Dr. Scott Longing

Dr. Jon McNaughtan, Dr. Latchezar Popov, Dr. Jhones Sarturi, Dr. Devendra Shah, Dr. Kevin Wass, Dr. Alexander Wiseman

Ex-officio: Dr. Cindy Akers, Dr. Tim Dallas, Dr. Kristi Gaines,

Dr. Mark Sheridan, Ms. Carrye Syma

Visitors:

- 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 Deborah Carr and seconded by Scott Longing to approve the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Graduate Council that was held on Thursday, November 7, 2024. The Graduate Council approved these minutes.
- III. Students admitted to Doctoral Candidacy.

The following students were recommended to candidacy for the doctorate in their respective departments/programs. A motion was made by Devendra Shah and seconded by Alex Wiseman to admit the students on the list to candidacy for the doctoral degree. The Graduate Council approved the motion and the following students were admitted to candidacy.

Rania Fahad S Algarni Economics

Raksa Andalib Nutritional Sciences

Connor Aronoff Physics

Andrea Bortz Curriculum and Instruction

Sydney Cox Family and Consumer Sciences Education

Tracy Espinosa Curriculum and Instruction

Jake Gonzalez Computer Science

Hewawasam Haggallage Nadeeshani Haggalla Civil Engineering

Christine Hall Higher Education

Ali Jaffri Economics Ayush Jha Economics

Shakeba Joseph Educational Psychology

Ali Kazimov Economics

Manish Kumar

Yifan Li

Samanthia Noble

Brian Okundaye

Emmalea Salley

Karen Serna

Civil Engineering

Electrical Engineering

Curriculum and Instruction

Environmental Toxicology

Educational Leadership

Higher Education

Nasir Siddiqui Physics

Kelsey StremelAgricultural EducationSydney WilkinsonAgricultural EducationDawson WrightElectrical Engineering

Evgeny Zvonnikov Music

IV. Academic Requests

The following academic requests were reviewed by the Academic Program sub-committee meeting held on November 21, 2024 and come to the Council with a motion of approval from the subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Jon McNaughtan. The Graduate Council approved.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Human Sciences MS – (administrative change)

HUSC 7000: Research in Human Sciences – (Addition)

Family and Consumer Sciences Education MS – (administrative change)
Family and Consumer Sciences Education PhD – (administrative change)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ECO 5352: Economics of Incentives – (*Addition***)**

DAVIS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES

ANSC 5322: The Biochemical Basis of Animal Behavior - (Addition)

PSS 5426: Functional Genomics – (*Deletion***)**

PSS 6326: Genomics II: Genomic Applications – (Addition)

PSS 6324: Genomics I: Foundational Genomics – (change in course # from 6424, title from Structural Genomics of Plants and Animals, course description, credit/contact hours and activity type)

RAWLS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

ACCT 5303: Advanced Accounting Information Systems and Controls – (change in *title* from Applied Data and Analytics for Financial Accountants and Auditors and *course description*)

COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Graduate Certificate in Arts Administration – (Addition) Arts Administration – (new track)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ANTH 5317: Skeletal Trauma and Taphonomy – (*Addition***)**

ANTH 5355: Cold Cases in Forensic Anthropology – (*Addition*)

ECO 6371: Macroeconomic Labor Economics – (change in *course number* from 6340)

HIST 6301: Introduction to Historical Writing – (change in pre-requisite and restrictions)

SOC 6360: Outreach and Engagement in Sociology – (*Addition*)

SOC 6380: Quantitative Methods in Sociology III: Multilevel and Longitudinal Models – (*Addition*)

SOC 6393: Writing for Grants and Publication – (*Addition*)

Graduate Certificate in Spanish-English Translation – (Phase out)

SPMT 5321: Advanced Sport Finance and Economics – (title change from Financial

Management in Sport)

SPMT 5346: Applied Sport Law – (*title* change from Law in the Sport Industry)

V. Graduate Faculty

The applications for Graduate Faculty status of the following individual was reviewed at the Graduate Faculty sub-committee meeting held on November 7, 2024 and come to the Council with a motion to approval. A second was made by Melissa Gotlieb. The Graduate Council approved to confer Adjunct Graduate Faculty Status on the following individual:

a. Katherine DeVett - Music

VI. Old Business

The AI Task Force will be formed and meet at the beginning of the Spring Semester.

VII. New Business

Graduate School Commencement will be held on December 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The tentative graduation numbers are as follows: 116 Doctoral, 597 Masters, and 79 Certificates.

Next meeting will be on February 6, 2025.