



Minutes of the 9th meeting of
The Graduate Council
2014-2015

Date and Time: Thursday, June 18, 2015
Place: Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance: Dr. Matt Baker, Dr. Jeff Burkhardt, Dr. Stephen Cook, Dr. Simon Hsiang,
Dr. Robin Lock, Dr. Stephen Morse, Dr. Jorgelina Orfila, Dr. Bill Poirier,
Dr. Tara Stevens, Dr. Weiwu Zhang

Ex-officio: Dr. Darryl James, Dr. Mark Sheridan

Visitors: Donna Brown, David Doerfert, Shelly Phillip, Lynn Huffman,
Jahan Rasty, Otto Ratheal

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 seconded by Jorgelina Orfila to approve the minutes from the 7th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, June 18, 2015. 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 Stephen Cook and seconded by Jeff Burkhardt. The Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Brandon Awbrey	Counselor Education
Michael Bello	Mechanical Engineering
Brianna Bennett	Clinical Psychology
Dominika Borowa	Counseling Psychology
William David Boyles	Counselor Education
Eric Brannigan	Mechanical Engineering
Eric Busby	Land Use Planning Management
Pan Gil Choi	Civil Engineering

Laurie Corradino	Business Administration
Pablo Dominguez Diaz	Curriculum and Instruction
Jonathan Durrant	Business Administration
Hamilton Elkins	Business Administration
Robert Evert	Business Administration
Zijian Gong	Mass Communications
Karen Grabowski	Counseling Psychology
Evan Guidry	Clinical Psychology
Cheri Hadley	Instructional Technology
Tirhas Hailu	Biology
Stephanie Harold Fry	Clinical Psychology
Shannon Harper	Clinical Psychology
Aaron Haslam	Clinical Psychology
Clint Havins	Higher Education
Amanda Holland	Family Consumer Science Education
Jinyu Hu	Business Administration
Pratheepa Jeganathan	Mathematics
Michael Johnson	Music
Matthew LaFont	Business Administration
Hsin Yi Lee	Music
Yiran Li	Electrical Engineering
Can Liu	Mechanical Engineering
Teresia Mbogori	Nutritional Sciences
Tiffany McAllister	Nutritional Sciences
Valerie McGaha	Counselor Education
Kelsey Meeks	Mechanical Engineering
Sean Mitchell	Clinical Psychology
Jessica Oates	Environmental Toxicology
Sivagaminathan Palani	Political Science
Bo Pang	Civil Engineering
Thanuka Wijenayaka Pathirana	Mathematics
Erin Poindexter	Clinical Psychology
Ann Rodriguez	Mass Communication
Daniela Sanchez	Business Administration
Regan Sarten	Counselor Education
Natalie Scanlon	Clinical Psychology
Stephen Sims	Music
Johnathan Statzer	Experimental Psychology
Siheng Su	Mechanical Engineering
Jayson Talakai	Business Administration
William Nathan Tapp	Animal Science
Nathanel Taylor	Clinical Psychology
Gilbert Trevino Jr.	Educational Leadership

Hamid Vahidnia
Holly Waddell
Allison William
Renee Wilson
Lindsay Wilson-Barlow
Dayong Wu

Business Administration
Counselor Education
Industrial Engineering
Music
Clinical Psychology
Civil Engineering

IV. Academic Requests

A motion was made by Robin Lock and seconded by Stephen Morse to approve the following Academic programs, certificates, all together. The Graduate Council approved all.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

M.S. in Agricultural Communications (distance delivered)
Graduate Certificate in Global Food Security

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Graduate Certificate in Applied Forensic Engineering

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Special Education (online)

COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Ph.D. in Family and Consumer Sciences Education
Master of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics (online)

V. Old Business

Dr. Sheridan stated that the practicalities of changing a grade of an incomplete (I) will automatically change to an (F) beginning in the Fall of 2015 after a year of being an (I). Mat Baker motioned and Jorgelina Orfila seconded to institute a policy of changing the grade of an (I) to an (F) after one year of the date recorded, beginning the Fall of 2015.

VI. Announcements

Thoughts of having a grade replacement policy at the Graduate level was mentioned by Dr. Sheridan. The Graduate School will do a study to see what the peer institutions do about grade replacements and GPA.

Stephen Morse mentioned that the Graduate Faculty O.P. is currently being revised and the group will have a draft ready to review at the next Graduate Council.

Next Graduate Council meeting will be held on September 3, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.