

Graduate Programs Committee November 30 Meeting Minutes
Friday, November 30, 2018, 10:00AM in NURS 200
Approved electronically on January 12, 2019

Attendance: Colleen Vasconcellos, Judy Ruvalcaba, David Nickell, Adrian Austin, Mai Naito, Clay Drummond, Jill Drake, Christi Fain, Mary Alice Varga, Marie-Cécile Berteau, Rebecca Harrison, Abdollah Khodkar, Ben Geyer, Denise Overfield, Alicia Freed, Shelley Rogers, Wanda Eidson (for Donna Haley), Lama Farran

I. Approval of November 2 Meeting Minutes **Approved**

II. Announcements

- **Spring Meeting Doodle Reminder:** <https://doodle.com/poll/hycra3vbzmrptnzz>
There will be a call-in option if you cannot meet in person, so please take that into consideration when making your selections.
- **Voting Procedure.** At the last Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting, Dr. Judy Butler stated that we no longer have to have a motion to bring an item to vote, as the presentation of said item stands as the motion. Therefore, once an item has been presented and discussed, the committee can then vote on said item without motion or second.

III. Course/Program Additions, Modifications, Deletions

ACTION ITEMS:

A. College of Arts and Humanities

1. Department of History

A. HIST 6580: American Foodways

Originator: Colleen Vasconcellos. Presented by Colleen Vasconcellos.

Request: Add

Decision: **Approved**

Discussion: This course is currently being taught as HIST 6687: Special Topics in American History. Due to popularity and demand, the class will be offered on a regular basis. It counts towards the Public History Track, external Public History certificate for the MA program, and the Cultural Diversity requirements for CoE students and History MAs taking additional classes in lieu of taking the foreign language exam. Lastly, the Center for Public History is beginning work on a Cultural Heritage Tourism Certificate, and this course would be included in the list of classes that would fulfill the requirements for that certificate.

B. College of Education

1. Department of Leadership, Research, and School Improvement

A. School Improvement, Ed.D.

Originator: Laura Smith. Presented by Mary Alice Varga.

Request: Modify

Decision: **Approved**

Discussion: Revisions are driven by careful consideration of issues involving student progression, UWG's involvement in the Carnegie Project of the Education Doctorate, and the keen insights of program faculty. Program changes include (1) revising EDSI 9901 to better address issues of progression in research and dissertation, (2) revising most Core Content course learning objectives to meet current standards, (3) strengthening the Area of Concentration component, and (4) re-aligning and better focusing support for dissertations.

2. Department of Communication Sciences and Professional Counseling

A. Speech Language Pathology, M.Ed.

Originator: Lama Farran. Presented by Lama Farran.

Request: Modify

Decision: **Approved**

Discussion: It is proposed that the admission requirements be amended to remove the "3-year option for applicants who do not have an undergraduate background in Speech-Language Pathology." The SLP program proposes the removal of the certification concentration courses, which are no longer needed because the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) recognizes ASHA Accredited programs and does not require further coursework beyond what ASHA requires, and the order in which certain required courses are to be taken within the program. The proposed restructuring of the curriculum would allow students to start in the summer with focus on requisite clinical skills needed to prepare them for the academic courses they will take in the fall semester. This proposed change is also motivated by an earlier graduation date in the spring (compared to summer graduation) of the second year, which would grant candidates more time to seek employment, interview, and get ready for their new jobs.

C. Tanner Health System School of Nursing

1. Health Systems Leadership Post-Master's Certificate, Clinical Nurse Leader

Originator: Sally Richter. Presented by Judy Ruvalcaba.

Request: **Modify**

Decision: Approved

Discussion: The Certificate is now aligned with new plan of study (begun in Fall 2018) a accreditation agency requirements, and the certification program has removed N6107 Pathology and Pharmacology from certification requirements.

D. College of Social Sciences

1. Department of Anthropology

A. ANTH 5950: Directed Research

Originator: Lisa Gezon. Presented by Colleen Vasconcellos.

Request: Modify

Decision: Approved

Discussion: This proposal came before GPC on October 3, 2019, but the proposal did not indicate as to whether the course could be repeated. This revised proposal indicates that it cannot. This class oversees directed field or laboratory research. Students must propose a detailed plan of research stating problem and methods and secure the written permission of a supervising instructor before registration. Anthropology would like to make this variable credit between 1-4 credit hours. This makes it flexible enough to meet various student needs for directed research opportunities.

IV. Old Business

A. Program Reviews

Adjourn 10:58 AM

Respectfully submitted by Colleen Vasconcellos