Graduate Council Minutes
April 9, 2008

The April meeting of the Graduate Council was called to order by Dr. Wittrock, at 8:30 am, April 9, 2008 in the Lake Agassiz Room in Memorial Union.

In attendance: Ann Burnett, Mac Butler, Jacob Glower, Samudra Kugel, Renee Magnan, Marjorie McCullagh, Brandy Randall, Rodney Traub, Charlene Wolf-Hall

The minutes for the March 12, 2008 meeting were considered. Ann Burnett made a motion to approve the minutes. Mac Butler provided the second. Motion carried.

Writing Across the Graduate Curriculum

Dale Sullivan presented the Council with a proposal designed to improve writing across the graduate curriculum. Highlights include

- Look at writing at the time of admission
- Emphasis on the Center for Writers
- English Department to offer a writing course for graduate students
- Expectations of each advisory committee member clearly stated on Graduate School website
- Role of Graduate Appointee changing to focusing on quality of writing

Dr. Wittrock stated there are two items that will need to be voted on by the graduate faculty: 1. Change in recommendation form and 2. Putting into writing expectations of committee and appointee role.

Jake Glower made a motion to approve the proposal with the dean reporting on the outcomes in one year. Marjorie McCullagh provided the second. Motion carried.

Communication Policy Revision Committee

The second draft of the English Language Proficiency policy was presented to the Council. The following changes were suggested: 1. Change “during” to “by the third week” for reviewing graduate assistants 2. Adding a plan to item #1 and 3. Including all graduate assistants and not just graduate teaching assistants. If approved, this item will go the Graduate Faculty meeting for approval. Jake Glower made a motion to approve the proposal with suggested changes. Ann Burnett provided the second. Motion carried. Marjorie McCullagh made a motion to have the dean report of the outcomes of this policy change during spring semester 2009. Ann Burnett provided the second. Motion carried.

Requests for Associate Faculty Status/Teaching Waiver

The Council considered a request from the Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology for Associate Graduate Faculty status for Berch Henry. Ann Burnett made a motion to approve. Rodney Traub provided the second. Motion carried.

The Council considered a request from the Department of Coatings and Polymeric Materials for Associate Graduate Faculty status for Dante Battochi. Dr. Wittrock has confirmed the “Degree of
Doctor” is a terminal degree in Italy. Ann Burnett made a motion to approve. Brandy Randall provided the second. Motion carried.

Course and Program Changes

Jacob Glower made a motion to approve the following course proposals:

- ABEN 791 Bioprocess Engineering
- BUSN 499/696 Design of Contemporary Organizations
- EMGT 414/614 Spatial Analysis in Emergency Management
- ENGL 752 Writing: Invention to Innovation
- ENGL 782 Irish Literature
- HNES 732 Foodservice Operation Management
- HNES 740 Maternal and Child Nutrition
- HNES 741 International Nutrition
- HNES 752 Phytochemicals
- HNES 755 Advanced Clinical Nutrition
- HNES 756 Pediatric Clinical Nutrition
- TL 711 Logistics Systems
- TL 721 International Logistics Management
- TL 727 Organizational Change Management
- TL 735 Acquisition Contracts: Law and Management
- MUSC 703 Foundations of Music Education
- SOC 404/604 Community Assessment

Course deletion
- ANTH 447/647 Science and Celebrity in Anthropology

Course description/Prerequisite Changes

- ANTH 432/632 Human Osteology
- EMGT 720 Emergency Management Theory
- EMGT 730 Advanced Research Methods
- ME 433/633 Composite Materials Science & Engr.
- ME 471/671 Stress Analysis
- ME 473/673 Polymer Engineering
- ME 474/674 Mechanics of Composite Materials
- ME 480/680 Advanced Fluid Dynamics
- ME 481/681 Fundamentals of Energy Conversion
- ME 484/684 Gas Turbines
- ME 489/689 Vehicle Dynamics
- ME 712, 717, 721, 722, 723, 725, 731, 734, 743, 751, 753, 754, 755, 761
- ME 755 Multiscale Fluid Dynamics

New Program
- Youth Development option-CDFS

Ann Burnett provided the second. Motion carried.

At 9:45 a.m., Dr. Wittrock adjourned the meeting.
Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Selders-Ortez