

University Graduate Council
& Curriculum Committee
GL 835/HL 210 – 10:15a.m. -11:30 p.m.
October 17, 2014 - Bulletin 1 Hearings

Graduate Council members present: Winifred E Newman (CARTA), Chair, Karlene Cousins, (BU) Vice-Chair, Kyle Perkins for Liz Cramer (ED), CH (Charlie) Rao (Medicine), Cheng-Xian Lin (EG), Myongjee (Michelle) Yoo (HM), Fred Blevens (JM) Adis Beesting (Library), Matthew Mirow, (Law), Alok Deoraj (Public Health)

Curriculum Committee members present: Shahid Hamid (BU), Chair, Sarah Boehm (CARTA), Fred Blevens, (SJMC), Deng Pan (EG), Qunju Suh (HM), Gricel Dominguez (Library), Michele Odai (CNHS) Vukosava Pekovic for Tim Page (Public Health), Joyce Peterson (AS), Michele Anglade (Law), Jenny Fortun (COM)

Meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

New Graduate Degree Program: Disaster Management presented by John Stack

- Collaborative degree engaging multiple departments.
- Program proposals address all BOG & State metrics.
- First Responders are target audience.
- Courses were developed based on input of Emergency Management professionals.
- Recommendation to include approved course numbers in the proposal.
- Sustaining the program should not be a challenge.
- Correct budget inconsistencies in the Appendix.
- Plan is to add other courses in other departments as the program grows.
- Weekend program, standard market rate designed for working professionals.
- Tuition rates developed to be accessible for the population it is

- designed to serve.
- Payments for overload are adequate.

The motion to approve the **New Graduate Degree Program: Disaster Management** was moved. The motion was unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.

New Graduate Track: Master of Accounting- Forensic Accounting Track presented by Ruth Ann McEwen

- There is currently is a high need for this expertise in Miami.
- Same 5 courses for all the tracks, remaining 5 courses focus on the specialization.
- Students are CPA eligible, so they graduate with both CPA certification & the degree.
- Students will have the required coursework to sit for additional certifications.
- Initially, existing adjunct faculty will take on additional courses for the track. Eight full-time faculty will also teach courses.
- Discipline focuses on fraud detection and money laundering detection. It is a subset of the auditing field.

The motion to approve the **New Graduate Track: Master of Accounting- Forensic Accounting Track** was moved. The motion was unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee

Having no further business the Curriculum Committee adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admissions Standards: MS in Hospitality Management presented by Diann Newman

- Requesting an increase of TOEFL scores.
- Important to assure that student's comprehension & writing skills are up to par.
- This increase will impact the admission pool, but the program is more concerned with admitting quality students.
- The department expects a 10 % decrease in eligible student pool.

The motion to approve **Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admissions Standards: MS in Hospitality Management** was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council.

Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admissions Standards: Ed.D in Higher Education presented by Norma Goonen

- Change the wording to comply with the other program in the College to remove "within the last 5 years."
- ETS does keep the scores only for 5 years.
- Some students have official GRE scores on their FIU transcripts and would be acceptable.

The motion to approve **Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admissions Standards: Ed.D in Higher Education** was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council.

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adis Beesting, Library, Graduate Council