

**University Graduate Council  
& Curriculum Committee  
GL 835 – 9:30-1:00 p.m.  
October 18, 2013  
Bulletin 1 Hearings**

**Graduate Council members present:** Fred Blevens (SJMC), Chair, Adis Beesting (Library), Karlene Cousins (BU), Jinlin Zhao (HM), Winifred (Elyse) Newman (CARTA), Matthew Mirow (Law), Cheng-Xian Lin (Charlie) (EG), Liz Cramer (ED), Lidia Kos, (Graduate School, Alok Deoraj (CPHSW)

**Curriculum Committee members present:** Shahid Hamid (BU), Chair, Kenton Harris (AS), Ava Iuliano (Library), Nancy Scanlon (HM), John Thomas (HM), Michele Odai (CNHS), Carlos Suris (JM), Paulo Chaves (COM), Sarah Sherman (CARTA), Quentin Felty (CPHSW)

Meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

**New Graduate Degree Program: PhD International Crime and Justice**  
presented by Harry Wright

- First program in the US. Changed curriculum and collaborated with Law School.
- Online Component removed and residency requirement added.
- 18 credits must be taken on-site. Added a required supervised teaching component. First in the US to do so for PhD. Students must be concurrently enrolled in CAT's Teaching certificate.
- Important for FIU to be the first to offer this degree.

**The motion to approve the PhD in International Crime and Justice was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.**

**New Graduate Degree Program: MS in Special Education Online** presented by Elizabeth Cramer

- For certified special education teachers that have already completed

- a pre-service teacher education program.
- Program is exactly the same as the existing face-to-face program. Concentration in Autism will be required for all students in the first co-hort.
  - Students must be currently teaching and hold a valid teaching certificate to be enrolled in this program.
  - Faculty overload for this program is higher than regular overload and faculty are excited about the incentives.

**The motion to approve the MS in Special Education Online program was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee with the following minor revision:**

- Correct wording for concentration and verify that catalog for the in-person program.

**New Graduate Major: in MS in Psychology Clinical Science** presented by Stacy Frazier

- Create a mechanism so that doctoral students can earn an MS that will provide opportunities for funding & fellowships.
- Not asking for a conventional degree but for a Masters enroute to the PhD.

**The motion to approve the MS in Psychology Clinical Science was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.**

**New Graduate Major in PhD in Psychology: Cognitive Neuroscience** presented by Anthony Dick

**The motion to table the proposal was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.**

**New Graduate Degree Program: MS in Curriculum and Instruction Online  
presented by Lynne Miller**

- Program currently offered face to face & in Jamaica.
- This program would not replace these existing programs.
- Students must be currently teaching and hold a valid teaching certificate to be enrolled in this program.
- Development track is the only track offered at this time.
- Market rate tuition.

**The motion to approve the MS in Curriculum and Instruction Online was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee with the following minor revision.**

- Correct wording for concentration.

A move to recess until 11:30 was unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.

Meeting reconvened at 11:13 a.m.

**New Graduate Degree Program: Master in Physician Assistant Studies  
presented by Pedro Gutierrez**

- Programs begin in 1968 at Duke, currently 230 programs in the nation. There are 85,000 positions available currently.
- Medical training in two years and are allowed to prescribe non-narcotic medications.
- PAs are involved in all aspects of medical care.
- Third fastest growing profession in the United States.
- PA training is modeled after medical school programs.
- Nurse Practitioners are modeled on nursing programs and they specialize in fields. The PA is directly supervised by an MD, unlike Nurse Practitioners.
- The accrediting body is trying to move all PA programs to Masters level by 2020.

- 92 credits comprised of didactic & clinical portion

**The motion to approve the Master in Physician Assistant Studies was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee with the following revisions.**

- Change page 12.
- Add pending course numbers to course titles on pg. 20 of the proposal.

**New Graduate Track in MS in Hospitality Management: Specialization in Real Estate** presented by Greg Bohan

- Adding 3 courses to add a specialization in real estate in Hospitality Management.
- This would give students that are very interested & talented in this area to continue their studies.
- Designed to give Hospitality development companies the students they need.
- Provided a letter of support from Dr. Hardin in the College of Business Real Estate program. Letter will be added to the proposal.
- Courses already existing.

**The motion to approve the MS in Hospitality Management: Specialization in Real Estate was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee with the following minor revisions:**

- Add letter of support from Dr. Hardin, College of Business to the proposal.
- Clarify credit hours in catalog copy (42 credits)

Having no further business the Curriculum Committee adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

**Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards to the MS in Counselor Education** presented by Valerie Russell

- This proposal aligns the requirement to the accreditation standard.
- All other Masters programs in the College of Education are at 3.0.

**The motion to approve Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards for the MS in Counselor Education was moved and unanimously approved by the Graduate Council and the University Curriculum Committee.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adis Beesting, Secretary, Graduate Council