

Graduate Council Minutes

October 10, 2007

Present: Beyler, Brennan, Butler, Elzanowski, Mildner, Ostlund, Taylor, Walden, Feyerherm, Harmon, Hanson

Absent: Bluestone, Borgmeier, McCartney, Reynolds, Siegel, Yeakley, Orr Eldred

Agenda

Introductions

Minutes from June 13 meeting

Review Panel and Petition processes

Old Business

Follow-up on outstanding proposals from last year

Brennan (Chair)/McCartney/Reynolds committee

- CE 480/580 Chemistry of Environmental Toxins, 4 cr – new course
- CE 469/569/669 Groundwater Hydrology, 4 cr – change course number, change description, change prerequisites

Reynolds (Chair)/Siegel/Wood committee

- MUS 446/546, 447/547, 448/548 Coordinate Movement Master Class, 1 credit each – new course
- ESR 460/560 Air Quality, 4 credits – new course
- ESR 480/580 Coastal Marine Ecology, 4 credits – new course
- ESR 485/585 Ecology and Management of Bio-Invasions, 4 credits – new course

Petition readers for Fall term

The meeting was called to order at 3:08. Members introduced themselves.

Minutes

Minutes from the June 13, 2007 GC meeting were approved.

Review Panel and Petition processes

Ostlund provided an overview of the proposal review process, emphasizing that it is a two-step process: First subcommittee review, then full GC review. Units sometimes are frustrated when asked to do two rounds of revisions, but Ostlund asked members to stress to units that our role is not adversarial. Our reviews are designed to bring forward the best possible proposals which will receive prompt approval at the next level(s).

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Brennan gave a brief overview of these proposals and has communicated the next steps to the faculty proposer.

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Hanson spoke for Reynolds, who is working with these two units on these proposals.

Ostlund reviewed the key items that GC always looks for on new course proposals, which include clear distinction in undergraduate and graduate requirements for 400/500 courses and detailed library statements. GC will no longer accept new course proposals on the old forms.

Petition readers for Fall term

Borgmeier, McCartney, and Bluestone will read petitions for Fall term.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:31 p.m.