The University of Alabama in Huntsville
Graduate Council Meeting
Minutes
Friday / January 21, 2022
2:00 p.m. via Zoom

Members Present:  Michael Anderson, COE*
                 Dylan Baun, CAHS
                 Joseph Conway, CAHS
                 Harry Delugach, COS
                 Junpeng Guo, COE
                 Wafa Orman, COB*
                 Jon Hakkila, Chair*
                 Angela Hollingsworth, CON
                 Yu Lei, COE
                 Xiaotong Li, COB
                 Nicholas Loyd, COE
                 John Mecikalski, COS
                 David Moore, Library*
                 Matthew Niemiller, COS
                 Jason O’Brien, CoED
                 Louise O’Keefe, CON*
                 Lenora Smith, CON
                 Janet Waller, Registrar*
                 Paul Whitehead, CoED

Members Absent:   Kevin Bao, COB
                 Eric Fong, COB (on sabbatical)
                 Robert Griffin, COS*
                 Lori Lioci, CON

Proxies:         None

Visitors:        Toka Diagana, COS
                 Rob Preece, COS
                 Aurora Torres, CAHS

* Non-Voting Member

1. Roll Call
   A record of attendance was recorded as noted above.

2. Approval of the Agenda
   Motion was made by Dr. Hakkila to approve the agenda. Vote to approve was unanimous.
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of November 19, 2021**

   Motion was made by Dr. Hakkila to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 19, 2021. Vote to approve was unanimous.

4. **Announcements**

   Dr. Hakkila shared updates about student-focused events hosted by the Graduate School, the importance of meeting thesis and dissertation deadlines, and the date change of the next Graduate Council meeting to Friday, February 11, 2022.

5. **Curricular Items**

   a. **College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences**
      
      i. Course Change: HY 483/583 – Women and Gender in Latin America
      
      ii. Program Change: CM Arts – M.A. in Professional Communication
      
      iii. Program Change: English – Inactivate TESOL certificate in CAHS (move to COE)

      *Dr. Dylan Baun provided commentary on items 5.a.i. and ii. Dr. Joseph Conway provided commentary on item 5.a.iii.* Vote to approve items was unanimous.

   b. **College of Education**
      
      i. Course Change: ED 640 – Applied English Linguistics IV: Practicum TESOL
      
      ii. Course Change: EDC 511 – Instructional Strategies for Inclusive Classrooms
      
      iii. Course Change: EHL 505 – Survey of General Linguistics
      
      iv. Course Change: EHL 506 – Critical Issues
      
      
      vi. Course Change: EHL 610 – Applied English Linguistics IV: Practicum TESOL

      *Dr. Jason O’Brien provided commentary on items 5.b.i.,ii.,iii.,iv.,v., and vi.* Vote to approve items was unanimous.

      vii. New Program: Kinesiology – Master of Science in Kinesiology
      
      viii. New Course: KIN 510 – Research Methods in Kinesiology
      
      ix. New Course: KIN 515 – Master Seminar in Kinesiology
      
      x. New Course: KIN 518 – Advanced Human Performance & Testing
      
      xi. New Course: KIN 520 – Laboratory Techniques for Sports Science
      
      xii. New Course: KIN 527 – Advanced Exercise Physiology
      
      xiii. New Course: KIN 619 – Exercise & Sport Biomechanics
      
      
      xv. New Course: KIN 631 – Sports Science Practicum II
      
      xvi. New Course: KIN 680 – Sports Science Master’s Thesis

      *Drs. Jason O’Brien and Paul Whitehead provided commentary on items 5.b.vii., viii.,ix.,x.,xi.,xii.,xiii.,xiv.,xv., and xvi.* Vote to approve items 5.b.vii. through 5.b.xv. was unanimous. Tabled item 5.b.xvi. due to inconsistency in course numbering within university; Dr. Whitehead to facilitate new course form revision to reflect course number change from KIN 680 to KIN 699.
xvii. Program Change: Curriculum & Instruction – M.Ed. in Differentiated Instruction: ESOL
xviii. Program Change: Curriculum & Instruction – M.Ed. in Differentiated Instruction: Reading Education

*Dr. Jason O’Brien provided commentary on items 5.b.xvii. and xviii. Vote to approve items was unanimous.*

c. **College of Engineering**
i. New Course: ISE 521/421 – Improving Healthcare Systems
ii. New Course: ISE 522/422 – Healthcare Systems Engineering

*Dr. Nicholas Loyd provided commentary on items 5.c.i.,ii. and iii. Vote to approve items was unanimous.*

d. **College of Nursing**
i. Course Change: NUR 390 – Global Health: International Study

*Item 5.d.i. was stricken from the Agenda, since NUR 390 is an undergraduate course and item was erroneously submitted to Graduate Council for consideration.*

e. **College of Science**
i. Course Change: ATS 513 – GIS and Remote Sensing
ii. Course Change: ATS 515 – Advanced Topics in GIS
iii. Course Change: ATS 522 – Air Pollution Meteorology Concepts
v. Course Change: ATS 581 – ATS Thermodynamics & Chemistry
vi. Course Change: ATS 654 – Forecasting Mesoscale Processes
vii. Course Change: ATS 762 – Microparticle Opt & Radiometry
viii. Course Change: CS 537 – Introduction to Neural Networks
ix. Course Change: CS 585 – Introduction to Computer Security

*Dr. Harry Delugach provided commentary on items 5.e.i.,ii.,iii.,iv.,v.,vi.,vii.,viii. and ix. Vote to approve items was unanimous.*

x. Course Change: MA 561/460 – Introduction to Fourier Analysis

*Dr. Toka Diagana provided commentary on item 5.e.x. Vote to approve item was unanimous.*
xi. New Course: BYS 517/417 – Principles of Plant Physiology
xii. New Course: BYS 567/467 – Animal Behavior

Dr. Matthew Niemiller provided commentary on items 5.e.xi. and xii. Items were tabled due to undergraduate syllabi not being included with new course forms; Dr. Niemiller to facilitate additional syllabi and resubmission.

xiv. Program Change: AES – Ph.D. in Atmospheric Science

No one was available for commentary on items 5.e.xiii. and xiv.; Dr. Hakkila asked for vote on items, which was unanimous.

xv. Program Change: Mathematical Sciences – M.A. in Mathematical Sciences

Dr. Toka Diagana provided commentary on item 5.e.xv. Vote to approve item was unanimous.

6. Begin Discussing Academic Probation and Dismissal Procedures

Dr. Hakkila began an open discussion regarding the current, and a proposed, UAH academic probation and dismissal procedure(s), including student scenarios for good standing, conditional status, academic probation and dismissal, and appeals. During the course of the next year or so, plans are to hold open forum discussions with all constituents for the purpose of outlining a revised, comprehensive flowchart for improvements to these procedures.

7. For the Good of the Order

No topics were raised for discussion.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.