

## Graduate Council



Topic: Graduate Council

Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023

Time/Location: 3:00pm/WAB 227

1. Call to Order
2. Consideration of September 14, 2023 Minutes (APPENDIX A)
3. Reports from standing committees
  - a. Graduate Council Executive Committee
  - b. Graduate Council Policy Committee
  - c. Graduate Council Curriculum Committee (APPENDIX B)
  - d. Graduate Council Research Committee
4. Report from the Graduate School
5. Announcements
6. Adjournment

**APPENDIX A**  
CONSIDERATION OF GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



**Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 14, 2023

Zoom

3:02 pm ~ 3:24 pm

**Present:** Kirk Atkinson, Ray Blankenship, Sarah Bonis, Katrina Burch, Margaret Glaser, Phillip Gunter, Jonah Hathaway, Mikhail Khenner, Jennifer Klemm, Jie-Yong Kong, Jeremy Logsdon, Andrea Paganelli, Jenni Redifer, Navdeep Singh on behalf of Dan Strunk, Kirsten Spears, Whitley Stone, Dana Sullivan, Jessi Thomsen, Courtney Warren, Adam West, Catherine Wilson

**Guest:** Dana Cosby, Lizzie Doerr, Jessica Dorris, Scott Gordon, Jennifer Hammonds, Danita Kelley, Beth Laves, Merrall Price, Cathleen Webb

**Absent:** Tonya Bragg-Underwood, Nicholas Fessler, Zachery Stichter, Ella Wooten

1. Consideration of August 17, 2023 minutes (APPENDIX A) \*Bonis. Call to order 3:02 pm. Welcome new members. Motion to approve. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Atkinson/Wilson. \*Bonis. Friendly amendment to indicate Dana Sullivan's absence. Approved.
2. Reports from standing committees
  - a. Graduate Council Executive Committee
  - b. Policy Committee
    - i. Consideration of Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Courses Policy Revision (APPENDIX B) \*Blankenship. The committee met twice to discuss the undergraduate enrollment in graduate courses policy. This was to align more with the new JUMP policy. Motion to approve. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Wilson/West. Vote in chat. 17 yes, 1 abstain. Approved.
  - c. Curriculum Committee
    - i. Consideration of Curriculum Committee items (APPENDIX C) \*Stone. Instructional Leadership proposal regarding a program for principalship to be reinstated, which was approved. EMDS changing from 12 to 9 hours. Motion to bundle. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Stone/Wilson. \*Atkinson. Summary that EMDS program changed from 15 to 12 hours. Vote in chat. 18 yes. Approved.
  - d. Student Research Grants Committee \*Burch. Everyone met to introduce new members to the process for awarding grants. Travel allotment was reduced. Working toward positive changes in the process that will reduce the proposal submission to 2 pages, which will also act as an exercise in communication to lay audiences. Possible tool development to ease processes.
3. Report from the Graduate School (APPENDIX D) \*Bonis. Thanks Dr. Koodali for his service to the Graduate School. Invites Jenni Redifer to share any updates. \*Redifer. No updates at this time, please let her know if you need anything or have any questions. \*Gordon. Scheduling recruitment events for the Fall. If anyone is doing a more specialized event, please let the Graduate School know if any assistance is needed. \*Doerr. No new updates, business as usual.
4. Announcements
5. Adjournment \*Motion to adjourn. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Wilson/Logsdon. Adjourned 3:24 pm.

**APPENDIX B**  
**Graduate Council Curriculum Committee**

**Minutes – October 5, 2023, 2:00 PM (CT)**

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://wku.zoom.us/j/94100472010>

**Voting Members:** Whitley Stone, Kirk Atkinson, Jeremy Logsdon, Dan Struck, Margaret Glaser

**Advisory Members:** Beth Laves, Jennifer Hammonds, Jamie DeYoung, Cate Webb, Dana Cosby, Jennifer Klumm, Merrall Price

**Guest:** Erin Warfel, Nicholas Fortune, Jill Sauerheber, Alison Langdon, William Mkanta, Katrina Burch

**Approval of Minutes, April 6, 2023 – 1st/2nd:** Logsdon – **Vote:** Approved (3/3)

**Course Administration:**

<b>Graduate Curriculum Committee (8)</b>				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
<p><b>Motion to Bundle – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Atkinson</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (3/3)</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Burch gave a brief description of both courses. Suspension of both, both departments approve.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (3/3)</p>				
<a href="#">PSYS 424G</a>	<a href="#">PSYS 424G: Topics in Developmental Psychology</a>	Edited	shr18610	9/5/2023
<a href="#">PSYS 597</a>	<a href="#">PSYS 597: Trends and Scientific Approaches in Psychological Thinking</a>	Edited	shr18610	9/5/2023
<p><b>Motion to Bundle all SWRK classes – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Logsdon</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Warfel gave a brief description of all the courses. SWRK-683 is a new elective. All others are minor changes to course descriptions. Hammonds asked about SWRK-683 can we remove the college and classification restriction because they are not required. Language on other are aligning with accreditation standards.</p> <p><i>Friendly Amendment – Remove College and Classification restriction.</i></p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)</p>				
<a href="#">SWRK 683</a>	<a href="#">SWRK 683: Trauma Informed School Social Work Practice</a>	Added	ern67287	9/25/2023

Graduate Curriculum Committee (8)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
<a href="#">SWRK 501</a>	<a href="#">SWRK 501: Diversity, Oppression, and Equity in Social Work Practice</a>	Edited	ern67287	9/28/2023
<a href="#">SWRK 540</a>	<a href="#">SWRK 540: Foundations of Social Work Research Methods</a>	Edited	ern67287	9/27/2023
<a href="#">SWRK 610</a>	<a href="#">SWRK 610: Social Work Administration and Supervision</a>	Edited	ern67287	9/27/2023
<a href="#">SWRK 560</a>	<a href="#">SWRK 560: Generalist Field Practicum I</a>	Edited	ern67287	9/27/2023
<a href="#">MATH 411G</a>	<a href="#">MATH 411G: Problem Solving for Elementary and Middle School Teachers</a>	Edited	nch27153	9/28/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Atkinson/Logsdon</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Fortune gave brief description of changes.</p> <p><i>Friendly Amendment – Remove permission of instructor</i></p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)</p>				

**Program Administration:**

Graduate Curriculum Committee (5)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
<a href="#">0492</a>	<a href="#">0492: Addictions Education</a>	Edited	jll34446	9/5/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Logsdon/Atkinson</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Sauerheber gave a brief description. Eliminating confusion on the number of credit hours required.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)</p>				
<a href="#">0478</a>	<a href="#">0478: Creative Writing</a>	Edited	als04863	9/5/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Atkinson/Logsdon</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Langdon gave a brief description. Just mostly cleanup work.</p> <p><i>Friendly Amendment - Under Admission requirement move the last 2 bullets to the catalog content</i></p>				

Graduate Curriculum Committee (5)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
<b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)				
<a href="#">1735</a>	<a href="#">1735: Global Health Administration</a>	Edited	wll25037	9/25/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Atkinson/Logsdon</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Mkanta gave brief description.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (5/5)</p>				
<a href="/programadmin/374/index.html">/programadmin/374/index.html</a>	<a href="#">: Trauma and Resilience</a>	Added	dnj86513	9/28/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Logsdon/Atkinson</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Warfel gave a brief description.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (4/4)</p>				
<a href="#">0469</a>	<a href="#">0469: Psychology</a>	Edited	and30774	9/28/2023
<p><b>Motion to Approve – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Atkinson/Logsdon</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Burch gave a brief description. Clarify the Joint Undergraduate Master’s Program (JUMP) process that was approved.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Approved (5/5)</p>				

**Informational Item(s)**

None

**Other Business:**

None

**Adjourn** at 2:45pm – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> – Logsdon/Stone

Respectfully submitted  
GCCC Recorder  
Jessica Steenbergen