

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

October 17, 2012

The Graduate Council met on October 17, 2012 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The following members were present: Byerly, Day, Dow, Euba, Hirschheim, Holton, Kels, Matthews, McKillop, and Spry. Absent members were Grant, Liu, Nardo, and Neil.

Minutes of September 25, 2012

Minutes were approved for the September 25, 2012 meeting. McKillop moved for approval, seconded, and the motion was carried.

Dean's Report

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The Graduate Faculty meeting is scheduled for November 12.

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The Presidential Management Scholars program is an announcement for non-departmental departments. If departments have students interested in careers with government service, please review the announcement. This program is a program that recruits students from across the United States. These students are being recruited for graduate school and are prescreened, minority, and low-income college students. Typically the students are from the United States. Byerly hopes departments recruit McNair Scholars more than in the past. Departments will need to fund these graduate students.

Graduate Life Committee. The committee carefully organized practice before the exam with the major professor. The committee agreed it went well. The Graduate School is reluctant to allow special arrangements by the Graduate School. There is a clear justification. There want committee members from prestigious international universities to participate in student exams via Skype.

New Business

Human Resource Education and Workforce Development requests approval to formally declare concentrations. Changes in the degree requirements or courses. Students would be allowed to declare the concentrations. The requested concentrations degrees Development. McKillop moved for approval. Kelso seconded, and the motion was carried.

Social Work Concentrations. Lemieux noted the merge of Social Work and the College of Human Sciences. The Human Ecology doctoral degree and added it to the concentration of Social Work is requesting a formal concentration of Child and Family Social Work. The concentration was in Human Ecology with part of the doctoral degree. Social Work requires 12 hours but the concentration is 15. Holton moved for approval. Matthews seconded, and the motion was carried.

Electrical and Computer Engineering: The department has requested a few minor changes in the program. The first is to remove the requirement for the student to take 6 hours change taking the final exam. The Graduate School's requirement is the for approval, Holton seconded, and the motion was carried.

Executive Session

Standing Committee Reports

Promotions

Graduate Faculty: A reminder will be sent to the Council to vote on pending affiliate appointments. The committee must submit the appointments to the Council for renewal.

Awards Committee

The meeting

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