

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

December 5, 2013

The Graduate Council met at 4:30 p.m. on 12/5/13 with the following members present: Byerly, Curloss, Day, Dow, Glance, Eades, Nardo, Lemieux, Matthews, McKillop, and Ward (ex officio). Absent members were Fuha, Meng, Susis, and Sydney.

Minutes of October 24, 2013

Minutes were deferred to the next Council meeting.

Dean's Report

Outgoing Council Members

Byerly thanked Lemieux and Curloss for their service on the Graduate Council, serving as the 2013 Graduate Council Chairman.

Graduate Council Membership

An ad hoc committee is being formed with the Faculty Senate to review Graduate Council membership. The committee will discuss if the members should be elected. Nardo and Eades will chair the committee. Kevin Cope will select Faculty Senate members to serve on the committee. The President's Office will need to give permission for the committee to meet.

Chairs Report

2014 Graduate Council Chair

Kelso nominated McKillop to serve as the 2014 Graduate Council Chair. The council unanimously agreed.

New Business

HRE student 7 year time limit

A representative of HRE discussed with the council that a student had applied for a 7 year time limit extension. An appeal in exception to HRE's 7 year time limit policy was filed. It is rare that a student requests a second chance in HRE, BYRD and other departments. The department believes the student was misadvised regarding preparation for graduation. The department is permitted to admit the student to graduate. The dean's representative did not support the student's request. The Graduate Council may not approve this request. Byerly thanked the representative and suggested the department present to the Council. Byerly mentioned that seven years is the standard amount of time for a student to complete the degree. Nardo motioned to deny the request. Day seconded the motion to deny the extension was approved.

Geography and Anthropology Concentration

Kevin Robbins and McKillop discussed the proposed concentration in Geography and Anthropology. The council previously approved the new degree; however, formal approval of the concentrations in Geography and Anthropology was needed. Byerly motioned to approve, Day seconded, and motion was passed.

Higher Education GRE

Culross noted that Higher Education did not waive the GRE requirement for the January 2014 admission cycle. The meeting ended at approximately 10:30 minutes.

Executive Session

Standing Committee

Promotion and Tenure

Approximately 75 minutes were devoted to promotion and tenure cases. The committee discussed several cases where they disagreed on their votes. One case that was discussed was a case where there is a serious problem with the dissertation advisor. The candidates may not be at fault; however, what level is responsible for this? The committee members discussed the possibility of a grievance procedure for the candidate.

Personnel

Cassidy discussed the possibility of a training session for deans. It may be possible to have the opportunity to find a training session for deans. Decisions will be affected by the following factors:

Graduate Faculty

Awards

The meeting

Recorded by



Charntell Miller, Assistant

Approved by

