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MEETING MINUTES

1. Admissions

- x Applicants for the online PhD program must have an earned master's degree.
- x Applicants for the online PhD program must demonstrate significant industry or research experience that equips them with the knowledge, skills, data (or ability to collect data), communication skills, equipment, resources, and discipline to pursue a doctoral degree in construction management remotely.
- x Applicants for the online PhD program must provide a PhD research prospectus with their application, consisting of three pages, each outlining an intended research topic that relates to a larger research issue.
- x The admissions committee will evaluate if completion of the proposed research would likely result in significant contributions to the academic field as evidenced by accepted journal publications and a coherent, defensible dissertation.
- x Upon application, an initial supervisory committee of at least three (3) faculty will be established to review the PhD research prospectus. The committee will review the applicant's prospectus and application materials to decide if the student can be accepted into the online program. If the committee determines that the academic and professional preparation of the student are in line with the rigors of the online PhD program but the research prospectus would not be likely to result in high quality journal publications and dissertation, the committee may elect to give feedback to the student to help strengthen the application.
- x If the applicant's academic and professional preparation are deemed insufficient for likely success in an online program but are acceptable, the student would be encouraged to pursue the on-campus PhD program.

2. Program of Study

- x If the an initial supervisory committee determines that the academic and professional preparation of the applicant is of sufficiently high caliber and the research prospectus is acceptable, an initial program of study will be prepared by the committee for the student so the student understands the coursework requirements associated with the degree program.

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3. Dissertation Hours

- x Dissertation hours will consist of regular, one-on-one interaction with the supervisory committee chair or other members via VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) programs such as Skype, Zoom, Microsoft Teams, etc., curated research support content presented through the department's Graduate Student Community Moodle site, and feedback and interaction with other online PhD students through semi-structured writing groups.

4. Exams

- x General and final exams will be conducted for online students following the procedures for on-campus students with the exception that online PhD students are allowed to participate remotely in accordance with Graduate School rules for Remote Participation in Graduate Committees.

Friedland stated student's research experience gained is from structured research hours and required courses. The department does not waive the GRE requirement for Ph.D. w96-2 (or

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MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:47AM

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Date	Time	Location
Monday, December 2	2:00 pm	135 Thomas Boyd Hall

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