University Graduate Council Minutes

February 12, 2013
Sanger Hall, room 1-038

Members present:
Douglas Boudinot, chair  Patricia Slattum
Herschell Emery  Oliver Speck
Sheryl Finucane  Angela Starkweather
Vojo Kecman  Leslie Stratton
Donna McClish  Colleen Thoma
Mark Schaefermeyer

Guests: Drs. Leon Avery, Jan Chlebowski, Wayne Gibson, Andrea Groat, Spencer Harpe, Jana McQuaid and Alexander Tartaglia

I. Committee Reports
A. Committee on Admissions and Academic Standards
Dr. Mark Schaefermeyer reported that the Committee has heard one appeal of termination case.

B. Committee on Internal Review
No report.

C. Committee on Policies and Procedures
Dr. Sheryl Finucane reported that the Committee on Policies and Procedures has reviewed the following credit hour definition. [include the definition in the minutes]. The goal is to establish a single consistent definition in order to meet SACS accreditation standards. The definition was developed in conjunction with the Provost's Office and a subgroup of the Council of Assistant and Associate Deans (CAAD) and approved by the full CAAD group. It has also been reviewed by the Graduate Deans Advisory Committee (GDAC) and is under review by the undergraduate academic regulations group. The CPP recommends acceptance of the policy with the condition that it not be required to be included on graduate syllabi. Council will review the policy and vote at the April meeting. The policy will be posted to Blackboard.

D. Committee on Programs and Courses
New course
School of Medicine
HGEN 517 Introduction to R Programming for Statistical Genetics

College of Humanities & Sciences
ENGL 631 Form and Theory of Creative Nonfiction

Description change
School of Social Work
SLWK 601 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
SLWK 603 Social Work and Social Justice
SLWK 604 Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups I
SLWK 605 Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups II
SLWK 607 Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups for Advanced-Standing Students
SLWK 609 Foundations of Research in Social Work Practice
SLWK 610 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
SLWK 611 Social Work Research for Advanced-Standing Students
SLWK 703 Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Disorders
SLWK 704 Clinical Social Work Practice I
SLWK 705 Clinical Social Work Practice II
SLWK 706 Research for Clinical Social Work Practice I
SLWK 707 Research for Clinical Social Work Practice II
SLWK 717 Social Work Practice in the School Setting
SLWK 718 Social Work Practice in Child Welfare
SLWK 719 Social Work Practice Issues
SLWK 726 Social Work Practice and Health Care
SLWK 727 Trauma and Social Work Practice: Theory, Assessment and Intervention
SLWK 740 Social Work Crisis Intervention and Planned Short-term Treatment
SLWK 745 Social Work Practice in Community Mental Health
SLWK 746 Social Work Practice and Psychopharmacology
SLWK 747 Social Work Intervention with Children and Adolescents
SLWK 748 Group Methods in Social Work Practice
SLWK 749 Social Work Intervention in Substance Abuse
SLWK 759 Art Therapy in Social Work Practice
SLWK 761 Interpersonal Violence and Clinical Social Work Practice
SLWK 791 Topical Seminar
SLWK 792 Independent Study
SLWK 793-794 Concentration Field Instruction
SLWK 795 Concentration Block Field Instruction

Course credit hour change
College of Humanities & Sciences
PSYC 651 Theories of Counseling and Interviewing
Change from 3 credits to variable hours, 1, 2, or 3 credits

Curriculum Changes
College of Humanities & Sciences
M.S. Biology – removal of GRE information from the bulletin
M.S. Chemistry – add two new courses to the curriculum and adjust admission requirements
Ph.D. Chemistry – add two new courses to the curriculum and adjust admission requirements
Post-baccalaureate graduate certificate, Gender Violence Intervention – multiple curriculum changes
SOCY 635 Theorizing Gender Violence – description change
Post-baccalaureate graduate certificate, Gender Sexuality and Women’s Studies – course prefix changes
Change WMNS 501, 602, 620, 622, 624, & 691 to GSWS 501, 602, 620, 622, 624, & 691

II. Action Items
Degree Name Changes
School of Medicine - APPROVED
M.S. Physiology
Change degree title to: Physiology and Biophysics
Ph.D. Physiology
Change degree title to: Physiology and Biophysics

Program Changes
School of Business/College of Humanities & Sciences - APPROVED
New concentration
M.S. in Business, Branding/Art Direction concentration
M.S. in Business, Branding/Communications Strategy concentration
M.S. in Business, Branding/Copywriting concentration
M.S. in Business, Branding/Creative Technology concentration
M.S. in Business, Branding/Creative Brand Management concentration
Updated bulletin copy

**Prefix change**
MASC 601 Digital Suite - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 608 Accounting for Communication Professionals - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 609 Information Architecture - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 622 Visual Storytelling - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 627 Visual Storytelling for Strategists - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 629 Strategic Thinking - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 630 Problem Solving for Art Directors - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 631 Craft - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 632 Foundations of Brand Management - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 633 User Participation Platforms - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 634 Mobility - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 635 Creating Gravitational Pull - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 636 Data Cultivation - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 637 Adaptive Experiences - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 638 Brand Engagement - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 639 Consumer Culture - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 640 Problem Solving - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 647 Insights and Implications - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 648 Innovation - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 649 Brand Analytics - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 651 Creative Thinking - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 652 Concept Development - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 653 Portfolio Development - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 655 Brand Interaction - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 656 Supervised Research Study - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 659 Brand Experiences - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 661 Modern Media - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 662 Research Methodologies - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 664 Persuasion - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 666 Futurology - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 667 Applied Brand Management - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 668 Advanced Brand Management - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 670 Creative Fusion - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 673 Experimentation - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 674 Applied Creative Technology - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 677 Business of Branding - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 678 Professional Possibilities - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 690 Supervised Business Study - change prefix to: BRND
MASC 696 Individuation - change prefix to: BRND

**Program Changes**

**School of Pharmacy - APPROVED**
Curriculum Revision for the Pharm.D. program
MEDC 542 Biotechnology Derived Therapeutic Agents – new course
MEDC 553 Clinical Therapeutics Module I: Introduction to Medicinal Chemistry
    Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Introduction to Medicinal Chemistry
PCEU 508 Pharmacokinetics
    Description change
    Change from 2 credits to 2.5 lecture hours for 2.5 credits
PCEU 509 Pharmaceutics and Biopharmaceutics II
Description change
Change from 2.5 credits to 3 lecture hours for 3 credits

PCEU 615 Applied Pharmacokinetics
Description change
Change from 2 credits to 2.5 lecture hours for 2.5 credits

PHAR 509 Evidence-Based Pharmacy I: Introduction to Pharmacy Information Skills
Description change
Change title to: Evidence-Based Pharmacy I: Introduction to Pharmacy Information Skills
Change from 1 credit to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits

PHAR 512 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
Change from 2.5 credits to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits

PHAR 513 Contemporary Pharmacy Practice
Change from 3.5 credits to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits

PHAR 523 Foundations I
Change from 1 credit to 4.5 laboratory hours for 1.5 credits

PHAR 524 Foundations II
Change from 1 credit to 4.5 laboratory hours for 1.5 credits

PHAR 526 Community Pharmacy Practice Management I – new course

PHAR 529 Clinical Therapeutics Module III: Introduction to Special Populations
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Introduction to Special Populations
Change from 1 credit to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits

PHAR 540 Self-Care and Alternative and Complementary Treatments
Description change
Change from variable lecture and 10 conference hours for 3 credits to variable lecture and conference hours for 2.5 credits

PHAR 541 Patient Assessment in Pharmacy Practice – new course

PHAR 544 Clinical Therapeutics Module IV: Cardiovascular
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Cardiovascular

PHAR 545 The U.S. Health Care System
Description change
Change from 2.5 credits to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits

PHAR 549 Biotechnology, Pharmacogenomics, and Pharmacogenetics
Description change
Change title to: Pharmacogenetics and Pharmacogenomics
Change from 2 credits to 1 lecture hours for 1 credit

PHAR 550 Scholarship III
Description change
Change title to: Scholarship II
Grade change to fall CO, spring P/F

PHAR 555 Clinical Therapeutics Module V: Endocrinology
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Endocrinology
Change from 3 credits to variable hours for 4 credits

PHAR 567 Pharmacy Informatics – course deletion

PHAR 601 Clinical Therapeutics Module VII: Neurology II – course deletion

PHAR 602 Clinical Therapeutics Module VIII: Psychiatry
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Psychiatry

PHAR 603 Clinical Therapeutics Module IX: Respiratory/Immunology
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Respiratory/Immunology

PHAR 604 Clinical Therapeutics Module X: Infectious Diseases
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Infectious Diseases

PHAR 605 Clinical Therapeutics Module XI: Hematology/Oncology
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Hematology/Oncology
Change from 2.5 credits to variable hours for 2 credits

PHAR 606 Clinical Therapeutics Module XII: Nephrology/Urology
Description change
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Nephrology/Urology
Change from 2.5 credits to variable hours for 2 credits
PHAR 607 Clinical Therapeutics Module XIV: Dermatology, EENT
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Dermatology, EENT
PHAR 618 Clinical Therapeutics Module XIII: Gastrointestinal/Nutrition
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Gastrointestinal/Nutrition
PHAR 619 Clinical Therapeutics Module XV: Women’s Health/Bone and Joint
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Women’s Health/Bone and Joint
PHAR 620 Clinical Therapeutics Module XVI: Critical Care/Toxicology
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Critical Care/Toxicology
Change from 2 credits to variable hours for 1.5 credits
PHAR 660 Pharmacy Practice Management II: Community Practice
Change title to: Community Pharmacy Practice Management II
Description change
Change from 4 credits to 2 lecture hours for 2 credits
PHAR 661 Pharmacy Practice Management I: Institutional Practice
Change title to: Institutional Pharmacy Management
PHAR 721 Clinical Therapeutics Module XVII: Integrated Medication Management
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Integrated Medication Management
Description change
PHTX 606 Clinical Therapeutics Module II: Introduction to Pharmacology
Change title to: Clinical Therapeutics Module: Introduction to Pharmacology
Description change

Revised bulletin copy
School of Allied Health Professions - APPROVED
M.S. Gerontology – revised bulletin copy

III. Old Business
No old business.

IV. New Business
No new business.

V. Chair’s Report
The Graduate School will increase the amount of graduate assistantship stipends to $21,000 for the fall 2013 semester.

The Graduate School will be working with the Office of Decision Support Systems to develop a tracking system to follow students through their programs to graduation.

The Graduate School will be moving to 408 W. Franklin St. between April and August of this year. The Office of Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) will also move to the building with undergraduate, graduate and international admissions. VCU is working with a real estate developer to explore graduate student housing in the old CFB building on Broad St.

December commencement went well with advisors participating in the hooding of PhD students for the first time. In May, advisors will actually hood their students.

Finally, the Graduate School, with support from the President’s Office, will support the development of online professional masters programs. If your school/department is interested, please let Dean Boudinot know.

Adjourned at 3:30pm.