University Graduate Council Minutes

February 14, 2012
Sanger Hall, rm 1-038

Members present:
  Douglas Boudinot, chair  Mark Schaefermeyer
  Delores Dungee-Anderson  Patricia Slattum
  Sheryl Finucane  Oliver Speck
  Voji Kecman  Angela Starkweather
  Donna McClish  Sharon Zumbrunn

Guests: Drs. Ann Hamric and Nancy McCain

I. Committee Reports
  A. Committee on Admissions and Academic Standards
     No report.

  B. Committee on Internal Review
     Dr. Sherry Sandkam reported that the committee is waiting on Dr. Laura Moriarty to give them permission to release the final Program Review document. They are close to finalizing it, working now on the questions for External Reviewers. It is an agenda at Friday’s CAAD meeting. When approved, then the IR Committee can meet, deliberate, and bring its recommendations to the next UGC.

  C. Committee on Policies and Procedures
     Dr. Sherry Sandkam reported that the committee will be meeting on February 29 to review and finalize its recommendations and will bring them to the next UGC meeting.

  D. Committee on Programs and Courses
     The committee submitted the following report.
     P&C Committee Report
     New courses
     College of Humanities & Sciences
        NANO 661 Computational Nanoscience
        PSYC 664 Psychological Needs of Military Service Members and Their Families
        STAT 625 Applied Multivariate Analysis
        URSP 520 Park Planning
     School of Business
        MGMT 656 Best Practices in Leadership
     School of Engineering
        CMSC 609 Advanced Artificial Intelligence
        CMSC 618 Database and Application Security
        CMSC 620 Applied Cryptography
        CMSC 622 Network and Operating Systems Security
        EGRE 531 Multicore and Multithreaded Programming
Revised bulletin copy

College of Humanities & Sciences
Ph.D. in Media, Art and Text
MATX 600 Interdisciplinary Lab – course deletion
MATX 602 History of Media, Art and Text – description change
MATX 603 History of Interdisciplinarity and Multimedia – description change
MATX 604 Production and Application Workshop
  Change title to: Workshop
  Course description change

College of Humanities & Sciences
M.S. in Mass Communications with concentration in multimedia journalism
MASC 591 Topics in Mass Communication – new course
MASC 642 Online Journalism I – description change
MASC 643 Online Journalism II (effective spring 2013)
  Course description change
  Change prerequisite to: MASC 642
MASC 645 Visual Journalism – description change
MASC 646 Law and Ethics (effective spring 2013) – prerequisite change
  Change prerequisite to: MASC 611, 642 and 685
MASC 684 Multiplatform Storytelling (effective spring 2013) – prerequisite change
  Change prerequisite to: MASC 643, 645 and 646
MASC 688 Converged Media Applications (effective spring 2013) – prerequisite change
  Change prerequisite to: MASC 644 and 684
MASC 695 Internship/Fieldwork – grading change
  Change grading style to S/U/F.

School of Business
Revised bulletin copy for the Ph.D. program
Revised bulletin copy for MS in Business, decision sciences and business analytics concentration

School of Social Work
Ph.D. Social Work – minor updates to curriculum

Multiple changes

College of Humanities & Sciences
URSP 672 Rural Planning, Policy and Development
  Change title to: Food Systems, Rural Development and Landscape Conservation
  Course description change

School of Allied Health Professions
OCCT 521 Occupational Therapy Applications to Neuroscience
  Change title to: Neuroscience Applications to Occupational Therapy
  Description change

School of Engineering
EGRE 631 Embedded Systems
  Change title to: Real-Time and Embedded Systems
  Description change

Course deletions

School of Business
ACCT 602 Managerial Accounting Theory
ACCT 603 Environment of Accounting
ACCT 605 Governmental and NFP Accounting
ACCT 607 Survey of Financial and Managerial Accounting
ACCT 609 State and Local Taxation
ACCT 678 Accounting Controls for NFP Organizations
ACCT 690 Research Seminar in Accounting
ACCT 691 Topics in Accounting
Title change
School of Business
ACCT 513 Financial Reporting
   Change title to: Advanced Accounting
ACCT 680 Tax Research
   Change title to: Tax Research and Planning

Prerequisite change
College of Humanities & Sciences
MATH 532 Ordinary Differential Equations I (effective spring 2013)
   Change prerequisite to: MATH 300, 301, 307 and 310

III. Action Items
New method of program delivery
School of Nursing
Ph.D. Nursing, hybrid format - APPROVED

Deletion of certificate
College of Humanities & Sciences
Certificate in Planning Information Systems - APPROVED

IV. Old Business
   No old business.

V. New Business
   No new business.

VI. Chair’s Report
   Dr. Doug Boudinot informed Council members that the Virginia Council of Graduate Schools’ Annual Graduate Student Research Forum will be held on Feb 16th at the University of Virginia. VCU has six students presenting.

   Applications for master’s students have increased from last year and doctoral student applications are similar to last year’s. Master’s and doctoral graduations for summer and fall semesters are similar to last year’s as well

Adjourned at 3:30 pm.