May 8, 2012
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Members present:
Dr. Sherry Sandkam, chair    Donna McClish
Laurie Carter    Karla Mossi
Delores Dungee-Anderson    Mark Schaefermeyer
Hershel Emery    Patricia Slattum
Rosemary Farmer    Oliver Speck
Sheryl Finucane    Angela Starkweather
Angie Flack    Leslie Stratton
David Holdford    Ping Xu
Vojislav Kecman    Yaoying Xu

Guests: Drs. Alexander Tartaglia and Lisa Anderson

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

   B. Committee on Internal Review
      The VCU Academic Program Review Procedures and Guidelines document has been approved and is now available. The Committee will review and provide feedback to Dean Boudinot and the full Graduate Council in the fall.

   C. Committee on Policies and Procedures
      The Committee presented its report to the Council at its April meeting. A friendly amendment was subsequently added to the ETD Approval Form to clarify language for all requests for embargo. The Committee recommended approval of the report. The recommendation was seconded. There was no additional discussion, and the report was unanimously approved. The changes will be reflected in the 2012-2013 Graduate Bulletin. A copy of the report is included. A full review of the entire ETD process and policy will be conducted in the fall 2012 semester.

   D. Committee on Programs and Courses
      The committee submitted the following report:

      Curriculum revision
      College of Humanities & Sciences
      M.S. in Mathematical Sciences, Operations Research concentration – added courses
      School of Allied Health Professions
      Master of Science Nurse Anesthesia (M.S.N.A.) – revised bulletin copy
      NRSA 601 Principles and Practice of Nurse Anesthesia I
         Description change
         Lecture hour change from 4 for 4 credits to 3 for 3 credits
      NRSA 611 Advanced Physiological Concepts for the Nurse Anesthetist – new course
      NRSA 620 Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Anesthetists I – new course
      NRSA 621 Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Anesthetists II – new course
School of Business
Ph.D. Business, updated bulletin copy to delete one phrase

School of Nursing
M.S. Nursing, changes to concentration names
Post-Master’s Certificate, changes to concentration names
  From: Adult Health Primary Care Nurse Practitioner to: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
  From: Adult Health Acute Care Nurse Practitioner to: Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
  From: Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist to: Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist
  From: Child Health to: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
  From: Family Health to: Family Nurse Practitioner
  From: Psychiatric Mental Health to: Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
  From: Women’s Health to: Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner

Revised bulletin copy

College of Humanities & Sciences
MIS, Cinema and Language concentration
M.S. Mass Communications, Strategic Public Relations
M.S. Biology

School of Allied Health Professions
Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.) – revised bulletin copy and curriculum outline changes
PHTY 506 Functional Neuroanatomy
  Change from 4 lecture/2 lab for 5 credits to 3 lecture/2 lab for 4 credits
PHTY 508 Measurement and Assessment
  Change title to: Orthopedic Physical Therapy I
PHTY 510 Rehabilitation I
  Description change
  Change from 2 lecture/2 lab for 3 credits to 3 lecture/2 lab for 4 credits
PHTY 512 Professional Aspects of Physical Therapy - description change
PHTY 516 Topics in Health Care Services and Delivery – course deletion
PHTY 531 Scientific Inquiry
  Change title to: Evidence Based Practice Concepts
PHTY 624 PT Seminar I
  Change title to Clinical Problem Solving I
PHTY 626 Lifespan Development and Motor Control I
  Change title to: Lifespan I
PHTY 627 Lifespan Development and Motor Control II
  Change title to: Lifespan II
PHTY 648 Orthopedic Physical Therapy
  Change title to: Orthopedic Physical Therapy II
  Description change
  Change from 4 lecture/2 lab for 5 credits to 4 lecture/2 lab plus 24 clinical hours for 6 credits
PHTY 654 PT Seminar II
  Change title to: Clinical Problem Solving II
PHTY 674 PT Seminar III
  Change title to: Clinical Problem Solving III
PHTY 680 Clinical Education III
  Change from 960 clinical hours for 24 credits to 320 clinical hours for 8 credits
PHTY 695 Clinical Education IV – new course

School of Business
Master of Accountancy – update bulletin copy to reflect the following two changes
  ACCT 506 – course deletion
  ACCT 604 – change prerequisite to ACCT 406

School of Education
5-year extended program in Early/Elementary Education. UUCC has approved this change but since it’s in the Graduate Bulletin, it also requires P&C approval
M.Ed., Administration/supervision track – revised bulletin copy
M.Ed., Leadership Studies track – revised bulletin copy
Post-master’s certificate program – revised bulletin copy
  ADMS 618 Leadership for Educational Change and Improvement – new course
  ADMS 622 Understanding Diversity and Leading for Social Justice – new course
  ADMS 623 Schooling as a Complex System – new course
  ADMS 624 Principals as Human Resource Agents – new course
  ADMS 625 Leadership for Individual Learning – new course
  ADMS 626 Internal/External Relations and Communications – new course
  ADMS 627 Enhancing and Supporting Instruction – new course
  ADMS 628 Cultural Inheritance of Schools – new course
  ADMS 629 The Business of Schools – new course
  ADMS 631 Evidence Based Decision Making – new course
  ADMS 633 Multiple Dimensions of Leadership – new course

New courses
College of Humanities & Sciences
URSP 637 Sustainable Community Development
School of Allied Health Professions
GRTY 510 Aging
School of Medicine
BIOS 547 Applied Data Analysis in Public Health I
BIOS 548 Applied Data Analysis in Public Health II
EPID 547 Applied Data Analysis Lab I

EPID 548 Applied Data Analysis Lab II
EPID 580 Public Health Ethics
PHIS 619 Mitochondrial Pathophysiology and Human Diseases

School of Nursing
NURS 612 Acute Care Advanced Practice Clinical Procedures – new course

Description change
School of Medicine
EPID 593 MPH Practicum
SBHD 605 Introduction to Social and Behavioral Health
SBHD 630 Theoretical Foundations of Social and Behavioral Health
School of Pharmacy
PHAR 691 Special Topics in Pharmacy
Graduate School
OVPR 603 Responsible Conduct of Research

Lecture/lab/credit hour change
School of the Arts
DESI 690 Thesis Studio
  Change from 3/18 for 9 credit hours to 1, 2 or 3 lecture for 1, 3, 6, or 9 credits

School of Medicine
BIOC 503 Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology
  Change from 5 credits to variable 1-5 credit hours
BIOC 504 Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology
  Change from 5 credits to variable 1-5 credits
MICR 504 Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology
  Change from 5 credits to variable 1-5 credits
PHIS 501 Graduate Physiology
  Change from 5 credits to variable .5-5 credit hours
SBHD 693 SBHD Internship
  Change from 3 credits to variable 1-3 credits

Course prefix change
School of Education
TEDU 706 Personnel and Professional Development in Special Education
  Change prefix to SEDP
TEDU 707 Critical Issues in Special Education
  Change prefix to SEDP
TEDU 708 Research and Funding in Special Education
  Change prefix to SEDP

Multiple changes
College of Humanities & Sciences
URSP 650 Environmental Planning
  Change title to: Natural Resources and Environmental Planning
  Description change
School of Education
TEDU 709 Directed Readings in Special Education and Disability Policy
  Change prefix to SEDP
  Change credit hours from 3 to 2

School of Medicine
HCPR 733 Analysis of Healthcare Data
  Course title change to: Statistical Methods in Analysis of Health Care Research
  Description change
SBHD 634 Researching Doctor-Patient Communication
  Course title change to: Patient-Provider Interaction
  Description change

School of Nursing
NURS 624 Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing: Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Synthesis Practicum
  Change title to: Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Practicum II
  Description change
NURS 656 Integrative Mental Health Nursing: Management and Treatment of Psychopathology for Advanced Practice Nurses
Change title to: Diagnosis and Psychopharmacologic Treatment of Psychiatric Disorders Across the Life Span
Description change
Change from 3 lecture for 3 credits to 4 lecture for 4 credits

NURS 657 Integrative Mental Health Nursing: Contemporary Practice
Change title to: Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing: Theory and Practice Across the Life Span
Description change
Change from 3 lecture for 3 credits to 4 lecture for 4 credits

NURS 611 Advanced Practice Clinical Skills
Change title to: Primary Care Advanced Practice Clinical Procedures
Description change
Change from 30 lab hours for 1 credit to 15 lecture/15 lab for 1 credit

Pre-requisite changes
College of Humanities & Sciences
CHEM 512 Applied Molecular Modeling – change prerequisite to none
CHEM 580 Mechanical Properties of Plastics and Poymers - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 607 Organic Synthesis of Natural Products - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 610 Applied Quantum Chemistry - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 611 Molecular Spectroscopy - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 612 Modern Statistical Mechanics: Fundamentals and Applications - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 621 Advanced Inorganic Chemistry II - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 630 Electroanalytical Chemistry - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 631 Separation Science - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 632 Chemometrics - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 633 Mass Spectrometry - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 634 Surface Science - change prerequisite to none
CHEM 635 Spectrochemical Analysis - change prerequisite to none
NANO 570 Nanoscale Physics - change prerequisite to none
NANO 571 Nanoscale Chemistry - change prerequisite to none
NANO 650 Experimental Techniques in Nanoscience I - change prerequisite to none
NANO 651 Experimental Techniques in Nanoscience II - change prerequisite to none
NANO 660 Theoretical Studies of Nanostructures - change prerequisite to none

School of Medicine
ANAT 525 Advanced Functional Anatomy (Occupational Therapy) – change prerequisite

II. Action Items
Dual degree program
College of Humanities & Sciences
Dual Master’s program with MIS concentration in Cinema and Language and Master’s degree from University of Messina and the University of Cordboa – APPROVED

Curriculum Revision
School of Business
Fast Track MBA – updated bulletin copy to reflect the ability to receive concentrations along with the MBA degree - APPROVED
School of Medicine
MPH program revision – deletion of three concentrations and adding a generalist track - APPROVED
MPH, Epidemiology concentration – this concentration is to be deleted - APPROVED
MPH, Public Health Practice concentration – this concentration is to be deleted - APPROVED
MPH, Social and Behavioral Sciences concentration – this concentration is to be deleted - APPROVED
MD/MPH, updating bulletin copy to reflect the deletion of the three concentrations above - APPROVED
MSW/MPH, updating bulletin copy to reflect the deletion of the three concentrations above - APPROVED
PharmD/MPH, updating bulletin copy to reflect the deletion of the three concentrations above - APPROVED

School of Nursing
Allow military students in the MS Nursing program to complete two concentrations at the same time (Adult Health Acute Care Nurse Practitioner and Adult Health Acute Care Clinical Nurse Specialist) – WITHDRAWN BY NURSING
M.S. Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health – deletion of concentration, revised bulletin copy - APPROVED
Post-master’s Certificate, Psychiatric Mental Health – deletion of concentration, revised bulletin copy - APPROVED

VCU Life Sciences
M.ENVS, MOU with University of Richmond – Accelerated Program in Environmental Studies - APPROVED

III. Old Business
No old business.

IV. New Business
No new business.

V. Chair’s Report
Adjourned at 4:10 pm.