

**MINUTES  
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES COUNCIL  
FOR RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES**

MEETING: October 30, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Brewster, S. Brown, E. Choi, A. Daily, E. Delavega, D. Downey, W. Duffy, J. Lariscy, T. Maclin, J. McCutcheon, A. Mickelson, E. Nelson, H. Sable, C. Santo, X. Shen, D. Venugopal, F. Vivar, B. Zheng

MEMBERS ABSENT: E. Groenendyk, M. Mader, V. Rus

PROXIES: D. Peksen for E. Groenendyk (POLS), D. Smith for M. Mader (PHIL)

GUEST: C. Goudsouzian

PRESIDING: R. Kreuz

**1. Approval of the minutes from the October 2, 2023 Council meeting**

C. Santo motioned to approve the minutes. E. Delavega seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**2. Discussion and approval of the proposed curricular changes for the 2024-25 graduate catalog**

**ANTH**

Motion to approve: E. Delavega, 2<sup>nd</sup>: E. Nelson, all in favor

**CHEM**

Motion to approve: J. McCutcheon, 2<sup>nd</sup>: H. Sable, all in favor

**CJUS**

Motion to approve: C. Santo, 2<sup>nd</sup>: T. Brewster, all in favor

**COMP**

Motion to approve: A. Daily, 2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Downey, all in favor

**ENGL**

Motion to approve: D. Peksen, 2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Downey, all in favor

**ESCI**

Motion to approve: J. McCutcheon, 2<sup>nd</sup>: E. Nelson, all in favor

**HIST**

Motion to approve: C. Santo, 2<sup>nd</sup>: J. Lariscy, all in favor

**MATH**

Motion to approve: X. Shen, 2<sup>nd</sup>: T. Maclin, all in favor

**PADM**

Motion to approve: C. Santo, 2<sup>nd</sup>: J. McCutcheon, all in favor

**PHYS**

Motion to approve: H. Sable, 2<sup>nd</sup>: E. Delavega, all in favor

**PLAN**

Motion to approve: T. Maclin, 2<sup>nd</sup>: J. McCutcheon, all in favor

**PSYC**

Motion to approve: T. Brewster, 2<sup>nd</sup>: J. Lariscy, all in favor

**SWRK**

Motion to approve: E. Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup>: J. Lariscy, all in favor

**UAPP**

Motion to approve: D. Peksen, 2<sup>nd</sup>: A. Daily, approved with one abstention

**WLL**

Motion to approve: D. Downey, 2<sup>nd</sup>: W. Duffy, all in favor

**WGS**

Motion to approve: T. Maclin, 2<sup>nd</sup>: A. Daily, all in favor

**3. Announcements and new business**

R. Kreuz reported on the following from the October 25 College Director's meeting:

- A) Currently there is no minimum GPA requirement for graduate admission. The Graduate School is proposing 2.75 for master's and 3.0 for doctoral programs. R. Kreuz asked for thoughts about these proposed changes and there was discussion.

H. Sable said that PSYC wants to get as many applications as possible for their graduate programs. T. Brewster said that CHEM would prefer to not have any GPA minimum. E. Delevaga said that SWRK was opposed, and C. Santo said that PLAN was also opposed.

- B) The proposal to change minimum dissertation committee size from four to three will go to a vote at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> UCGS meeting with an amendment from Dean Tollefsen: three members must be UofM faculty members (full or associate graduate faculty status).

- C) Subsidies for health insurance will start in Fall 2024. An offer template will be available on the Graduate School website. Subsidies will not be provided for part-time GAs (i.e., those that are less than 20 hours a week).

Questions were asked about the health insurance deductibles and copays, as well as the originating unit for First Generation and Van Vleet scholarships. R. Kreuz said he would ask Dean Tollefsen about these issues.

R. Kreuz asked if anyone had new business to bring before the Council, and there was none.

**Adjournment**

J. McCutcheon made motion to adjourn. T. Maclin seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

*Minutes prepared by S. Warren with notes from R. Kreuz, and edited by R. Kreuz.*

## **CAS Graduate Curricular Submissions, Fall 2023 (for 2024-25 academic year)**

### **ANTH**

#### **Graduate Program Name Change**

Anthropology MA change to Applied Anthropology

#### **Graduate New Courses**

adding 8000 cognate to existing 7000 courses:

ANTH - 8201 - Anthropological Perspectives of Development

ANTH - 8510 - Studio in Applied Anthropology

ANTH - 8511 - Critically-Applied Medical Anthropology

#### **Graduate Course Revisions**

ANTH - 6223 - Refugees and Humanitarianism

Title change to Global Migration Displacement

ANTH - 7200 - Roots of Anth Theory

Title change to Engaging Anthropological Theory

ANTH - 7201 - Anthropological Perspectives of Development

Adding 8000 level

ANTH - 7510 - Studio in Applied Anthropology

Adding 8000 level

ANTH - 7511 - Critically-Applied Medical Anthropology

Adding 8000 level

ANTH - 8200 - Roots of Anth Theory

Title change to Engaging Anthropological Theory

ANTH - 8075 - Methods In Anthropology

Credit hours change from 4 to 3

Description change

(changes made to bring 8075 in alignment with 7075)

ANTH - 8076 - Anth Data Analysis

Title change to Anthropology Writing/Analysis

Credit hours change from 4 to 3

Description change

Add prerequisite

(changes made to bring 8076 in alignment with 7076)

ANTH - 8521 - Biocultural Epidemiology

Title change to correct typo

Description change to match 7521

### **BIOL (no changes)**

## **CERI (no changes)**

### **CHEM**

#### **Graduate Program Revision**

Chemistry, (MS)

-Eliminating diagnostic test requirement

#### **New Concentration**

Chemistry, (PhD) – Biochemistry

Chemistry, (MS) - Biochemistry

#### **Graduate New Courses**

CHEM - 7416 - Advanced Biophysical Chemistry

CHEM - 7511 - Biological Inorganic Chemistry

CHEM - 8511 - Biological Inorganic Chemistry

CHEM - 7512 - Carbohydrates and Nucleic Acids

CHEM - 8512 - Carbohydrates and Nucleic Acids

#### **Graduate Course Revision**

CHEM - 8416 - Advanced Biophysical Chemistry

- Adding prerequisite, adding 7000 level

### **CJUS**

#### **Graduate Program Revision**

Criminal Justice, (MA)

- Removing comp exam requirement, clarification about thesis

#### **Graduate Course Revision**

CJUS - 7541 - Criminological Theory

Adding 8000 level

#### **Graduate New Course**

CJUS - 8541 - Criminological Theory

Adding 8000 level

### **COMP**

#### **Graduate Program Revisions**

Computer Science MS

Computer Science PhD

#### **Graduate Course Revisions**

COMP - 6118 - Introduction to Data Mining

Delete prerequisite

COMP - 6741 - Intro to Neural Networks

Title change to Intro to Neural Networks and Deep Learning

## **DATA (no changes)**

## **ENGL**

### **Graduate Course Revision**

ENGL - 8002 - Reading for Comps

Change grading from standard to S,U,IP

Change credit hours from 3 to 1-9

## **ESCI**

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

ESCI - 7613 - GIS and Human Health

Adding to title

Description change

Delete prerequisite ECON 7/8125

Crosslisting with PUBH 7/8613

ESCI - 8613 - GIS and Human Health

Title change to GIS for Public Health and Climate Change

Description change

Add prerequisite: Permission of instructor

Crosslisting with PUBH 7/8613

### **Graduate New Courses**

ESCI - 7178 - Computational Methods in Hydraulics and Hydrology

ESCI - 8178 - Computational Methods in Hydraulics and Hydrology

ESCI - 7179 - Applied Groundwater Modeling

ESCI - 8179 - Applied Groundwater Modeling

## **HIST**

### **Graduate New Courses**

HIST - 6286 - History of Nationalisms in Africa

HIST - 6287 - Africa and the African Diaspora

## **Graduate Course Revision**

HIST - 6289 - African Women's History

-Title change to Gender and Sexuality in Africa

## **MATH**

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

MATH - 7235 – Combinatorics

-Description, repeatability

MATH - 8235 – Combinatorics

-Description, repeatability

MATH - 7237 - Graph Theory

-Description, repeatability, add prerequisite

MATH - 8237 - Graph Theory

-Description, repeatability, add prerequisite

MATH - 7352 - Ergodic Theory

-Description, repeatability

MATH - 7355 - Functional Analysis I

-description, prerequisite added

MATH - 8355 - Functional Analysis I

-description, prerequisite added

MATH - 7356 - Functional Analysis

-title correction (adding II)

MATH - 8356 - Functional Analysis

-title correction (adding II), description, repeatability

MATH - 7371 - Calculus of Variations

-Description, repeatability

## **PADM**

### **Graduate Catalog Change/Edit**

Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership Graduate Certificate

- Reduces number of required core courses from 4 to 3 to increase flexibility in electives for students who are pursuing this degree alongside another master's degree.

Incorporates proposed course name change for PADM 7643, incorporates required changes to admissions process.

Local Government Management Graduate Certificate

-Proposal is making changes to the program requirements, graduation requirements, and other requirements sections to standardize these across both of our graduate certificate programs. This proposal also includes the required admissions changes.

Nonprofit Management, (MNM)

-Correct degree name, Substitutes PADM 7645 for PADM 7644 in the core (this was listed inconsistent with what THEC had initially approved), Reflects proposed name changes for PADM 7607, 7610, and 7643

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

PADM - 7607 - Public Mgmt Leadership

-title change to Public Service Leadership

PADM – 8607 – Public Mgmt Leadership

- title change to Public Service Leadership

PADM - 7608 - Public Mgmt Inf Sys

-Title change to Public and Nonprofit MIS, description change

PADM - 8608 - Public Mgmt Inf Sys

-Title change to Public and Nonprofit MIS

PADM - 7610 - Internship Public Admin

-Title change to Internship in Public Service

PADM - 7635 - Issues Pub Human Resour

-Title change to Issues in Public Service Human Resources

PADM - 8635 - Issues Pub Human Resour

-Title change to Issues in Public Service Human Resources

PADM - 7643 - Semn Nonprofit Adm&Philanth \*\*

-Title change to Nonprofit Financial Leadership \*\*

PADM - 8643 - Semn Nonprofit Adm&Philanth \*\*

-Title change to Nonprofit Financial Leadership \*\*

PADM - 7644 - Nonprofit Branding and Storytelling

-Description

PADM - 7721 - Performance Measurement

-Title change to Strategic Planning and Performance Management, description change

## **PHIL (no changes)**

## **PHYS**

### **Graduate Program Revisions**

Applied Physics, (PhD)

-Change to allow department discretion as to who may participate in the accelerated track.

Astrophysics concentration- replace PHYS 6050, 6051 with PHYS 6065, 6066

### **MS Degree Program**

-Change shared core name to Physics, (MS)

Remove oral comprehensive requirement from MS shared core

Physics - Computational Physics, Non-thesis, (MS)

-Add PHYS 6420 as an eligible core course for more flexibility in course selection.  
Remove the limitation on the choice of additional courses for more flexibility in course selection. Add a requirement for survey to be consistent with other two non-thesis options.

Physics - Computational Physics, Thesis, (MS)

-Add PHYS 6420 as an eligible core course for more flexibility in course selection.  
Change research proposal deadline to second semester. Remove the limitation on the choice of additional courses for more flexibility in course selection.

Physics - General Physics Concentration, Non-Thesis option, (MS)

- Replace PHYS 6050 and 6051 with PHYS 6055 “Stellar and Galactic Astronomy” and 6066 “Extragalactic Astronomy” as concentration courses.

Physics - General Physics Concentration, Thesis Option, (MS)

-Replace PHYS 6050 and 6051 with PHYS 6055 “Stellar and Galactic Astronomy” and 6066 “Extragalactic Astronomy” as concentration courses.  
Change research proposal deadline to second semester.

Physics - Materials Science Concentration, Thesis, (MS) (low impact)

-Change the deadline for research proposal defense to second semester.

### **Graduate New Courses**

PHYS - 6057 - Astrophysical Data Analysis

PHYS - 7050 - Advanced Methods in Astrophysics (to add 7000 level)

PHYS - 7610 - Advanced Device Physics (to add 7000 level)

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

PHYS - 6420 - Introduction to Computational Physics

-Title change to Computational Skills in Physics

PHYS - 8050 - Advanced Methods in Astrophysics

-adding 7000 level

PHYS - 8610 - Advanced Device Physics

-Adding 7000 level

Graduate Course Closeouts

PHYS - 6050 - Astrophysics I

PHYS - 6051 - Astrophysics II

## **PLAN**

### **Grad Catalog Change/Edit**

City and Regional Planning, (MCRP)

Removing the second option for the Terminal Project Requirement

### **Graduate Course Revisions**



PLAN - 7006 - Comprehensive Planning Studio

Title change to Planning Studio

PLAN - 7008 - Site Planning

Title change to Digital Visualization and Site Design, description change

## **POLS (no changes)**

## **PSYC**

### **Graduate Program Revision**

Psychology - Clinical Psychology, (PhD)

-Course change per APA accreditation requirement

## **SOCI (no changes)**

## **SWRK**

### **Graduate Program Revisions**

Clinical Social Work Graduate Certificate

-Adding language that clarifies that the Graduate Clinical Certificate is not clinical licensure.

School Social Work Graduate Certificate

- The language has been changed to reflect the program and requirements in accordance to School Social Work Licensure requirements. The new language makes all requirements and expectations clear.

Doctor of Social Work, (DSW)

-Admission requirement changes, elimination of dissertation requirement in favor of a capstone project.

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

SWRK - 6950 - Violence Across the Lifespan: An Intro to Forensic Social Work

-Title change to Violence Across the Lifespan

SWRK - 8050 - Writing for Publication

-Description change

SWRK - 8060 - Developing Fundable Proposals

-Course number change to match the 7000 cognate

## **UAPP**

### **Graduate Catalog Change/Edit**

City and Regional Planning, (MCRP)

- Removing terminal project option 2, leaving only Capstone project
- Other edits/deletions to align with grad school language.

### **Graduate Program Revision**

Urban Affairs, (PhD)

- Update to the Urban Affairs Ph.D. program to include a core course in public policy frameworks, a course in GIS, and a course in advanced quantitative methods to be included in the core requirements. Adding specializations that include two theory classes within each.

### **Graduate New Courses**

UAPP - 7010 - Exploration of Urban Research Theory (adding 7000 to existing 8010)

UAPP - 8009 - Exploration of Policy Theory and Frameworks

UAPP - 8014 - Survey of Advanced Quantitative Methods

UAPP - 9001 - Dissertation Proposal Development Workshop

### **Graduate Course Revisions**

UAPP - 8010 - Exploration of Urban Research Theory

- add 7000 level, add prerequisite, schedule type change

UAPP - 8011 - Scope/Methods in Urban Affairs Research

- Title change to Epistemology and Philosophy of Social Science, description change

## **WLL**

### **Graduate Program Revision (low impact)**

Romance Languages, (MA)

- Minor changes concerning the way electives are handled, as well as the RA stipend.

## **WGS**

### **Graduate Program Revision**

Women's and Gender Studies Graduate Certificate

- An updated objective section, set of requirements, and courses has been drafted for the WGST certificate.