GRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes
Thursday, October 3, 2002

The Graduate Council met on this date in the Achurch Room of Capers Hall. Members in attendance were Dr. David Allen, Ms. Heather Anderson, Dr. Mark Bebensee, Dr. Nancy Bell, Ms. Marcia Bonica, Dr. Harry Carter, Dr. John Carter, Dr. Charles Cleaver, Dr. Sheila Foster, Dr. Katherine Grenier, Dr. Ken Henson, Dr. Angie LeClercq, and Ms. Silvia Nesmith.

The minutes of the last Graduate Council meeting were approved.

Dr. Sheila Foster passed out a handout of proposed courses, combining the School of Business and the Department of Modern Languages. These classes will be electives in the MBA program. The Graduate Council recommended the approval of the courses and asked they be sent to academic board for approval.

Dr. Katherine Grenier raised the question of class registration in the joint programs. Her concern was that the College of Charleston begins registration before CGPS and therefore, seats sometimes fill up before our students begin registration. The Council recommended that Pat Ezell meet with Computer Science, English, and History to discuss these registration concerns.

Dr. Nancy Bell on behalf of Dr. Lipovsky asked that PSYC 525 only be available to clinical counseling and school psychology students. The CGPS office will add this to the 2003-2004 catalog along with semester class schedule. There will also be a change made on PAWS allowing only those psychology majors to register for PSYC 525.

Dr. Nancy Bell voiced a concern for the disorganization of the "General Information" section in the catalog and the omission of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Gen. Carter welcomed input from Council members in reworking the "General Information" section and the information about the American Disabilities Act will be added to the 2003-2004 catalog.

Dr. Allen brought to the Council’s attention the lack of explanation in the verbiage used in the Academic Integrity section on page 21. Gen. Carter requested that a subcommittee be formed to examine the section of Academic Integrity in the 2002-2003 catalog.

Dr. Nancy Bell asked the Council to examine the times CGPS schedules classes (4 p.m. and 6:45.) One faculty member from the psychology department complained of students being late to his/her 6:45 class because students were coming directly from a 4 p.m. class. The class times allows for no break between the two. There was a recommendation to push the 6:45 p.m. class back to 7 p.m. This would put The Citadel on the same class schedule as the College of Charleston. The standard class times would then be at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. There was also discussion among Council members about the educational value of taking two graduate level courses back to back. There was no action taken on the item. The Council requested the CGPS office determine how many students in the fall semester are taking more than one class a night

In the discussion of standard class times, Dr. Henson indicated the School of Education was looking into phasing out 4 p.m. education classes. Dr. Carter recommended he meet with his Teacher Education Advisor committee. The recommendation was also made that the department of psychology attend that meeting.

The last item discussed was parking for graduate students. Dr. Nancy Bell asked that Public Safety look into changing the sign in A lot to allow graduate students to begin parking at 3:45 instead of 4 p.m., when classes begin. There was also discussion about the reserved parking spots and if the reserved spots would be available to graduate students after business hours or when the lot opens to CGPS students.
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Anderson