

Graduate Council Minutes
March 15, 2007

The Graduate Council met in Bond Hall room 295 on this date. Dr. Harry Carter chaired this meeting. Members in attendance were Dr. Ray Jones, Dr. Mark Bebensee, Dr. Kathy Brown, Dr. Shelia Foster, Dr. Kathy Grenier, Dr. Kathy Richardson-Jones, Dr. Bob Steed, Dr. George Williams, Dr. Dan Ouzts, and Dr. Margaret Francel. Ex-officio members in attendance were Dr. Tom Thompson, Ms. Marcia Bonica, Ms. Katie Gibson, and Ms. Sylvia Nesmith.

The minutes of February 15, 2007 were approved without objection.

Dr. John Carter presented the first agenda item regarding proposed changes to the CGPS catalog in the department of Health, Exercise, and Sport Science. These proposed modifications are necessary due to curricular changes in the School of Education and the School of Business Administration that will take effect with the 2007-2008 Academic Year. The title change of HESS 523, modified course description of HESS 523, and adoption of these changes to the curriculum with the Master of Business Administration program were discussed. A motion was presented for the acceptance of these changes and the motion passed without objection.

Course substitutions of BADM 707 and BADM 722 for the Sport Management concentration within the MBA program were proposed. Dr. Kathy Richardson-Jones motioned for the acceptance of this change contingent upon the additional requirement of a psychology elective for those students with no psychology background and the motion passed without objection.

Changes to the curriculum within the Master of Arts in Teaching program were presented. The removal of PSYC 500 and EDUC 522 from the M.A.T. program requirements, the additional requirement of PRAXIS II Content area tests and PLT prior to internship, and the successful completion of all certification tests were presented. Dr. Mark Bebensee motioned for the acceptance of these changes and the motion passed without objection.

Modifications to the pre-requisites or co-requisites for the Master of Arts in Teaching Physical Education program were presented. A motion was presented for the acceptance of these changes and the motion passed without objection.

Dr. Ray Jones presented updates on spring enrollments for each program in comparison to previous spring enrollments since 2003. Dr. Harry Carter discussed the initiative to increase CGPS by 25% in the future. He prompted the Graduate Council to think of possibilities for growth in both the undergraduate and the graduate programs. Dr. Carter suggested the potential of collaboration with other institutions to offer a general BA completion program in Interdisciplinary Studies. Dr. Dan Ouzts suggested the potential for expansion of graduate programs into areas such as Jasper and Colleton counties. Possibilities for Saturday classes or distance learning programs were also discussed.

The next Graduate Council meeting is scheduled for April 12th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.