

MINUTES
Graduate Council
October 12, 2010

The Graduate Council met at 1:30 p.m., in Room 209, Roy Hall Conference Room. Members present were Drs. Laura Aaron, John Dollar, Barbara Duchardt, Paula Furr (Associate Member), Tommy Hailey, Kathryn Kelly, Ronald McBride, Sarah McFarland, Malena McLaren, Pamela Simmons (for Norann Planchock), Michael Yankowski and Steve Horton, Chair. Also attending were Dr. Helaine Razovsky, Language and Communication, and Kathryn Magana, graduate student.

Dr. Horton opened the meeting by reviewing the grade appeal procedure with Council members. Dr. McFarland was excused for the grade appeal process because the student was an English major from her department.

- **Grade Appeal Hearing for _____ (data removed to protect student appellant. For further information contact the Graduate School office).**

The Council suggested that the Dean remind all graduate faculty members of the necessity of complete syllabi, appropriate feedback, and documented objective grading standards (use of rubrics in grading, for example).

- **Proposal submitted by the College of Nursing to change provisional status admission for the MSN.** This proposal was approved unanimously, with an amendment to the original document submitted.
- **Review of Graduate Faculty Applications for new faculty beginning in fall semester of 2010 and faculty who missed the March 1, 2010 deadline.** The following graduate faculty were unanimously approved:

Member Status

Dr. Cynthia Lindsey

Associate Status

Patricia Clark
Social Work

Limited Status

Joseph Biscoe, Psychology
Billie Bitowski, Nursing
Helen Curol, Teaching and Learning
Richard J. Hughbank, CJ, History and Social Sciences
Eileen Kendrick, Teaching and Learning
Dr. Jeffrey Klibert, Psychology (fall 2010 only)
Christie Maranto, Nursing
Connie Roppolo, Nursing (fall 2010 only)
Dr. Susan C. Tucker, Psychology

An application submitted by Dr. William Housel, CJ, History and Social Sciences, was not reviewed because he did not submit sufficient supporting documents required for Associate Member status. He does not qualify for Limited status.

- **Discussion concerning credit by exam testing for graduate-level courses.** Dr. Horton told the Council that during the summer term of 2010 there was a question that arose from a student wishing to receive credit by examination for a graduate-level course. The rule allowing such practice is included in University Catalog for undergraduate students, but no similar policy statement exists for graduate-level courses. Dr. Horton spoke with representatives from all universities in the Louisiana system having graduate programs and found no evidence of this practice.

The Council unanimously agreed to not allow credit by examination for any graduate-level courses.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven G. Horton, Ph.D.
Vice Provost/Dean and Chair

Approved:

Dr. Lisa Abney, Vice President

Dr. Randall J. Webb, President