

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY  
GRADUATE SCHOOL**

Minutes of the Graduate Council Meeting  
January 18, 2018  
1:30 p.m.

Fourth Meeting  
Room 214CD  
STEW

PRESENT: Linda J. Mason, interim chair; Council Members, Thomas W. Atkinson, Natalie J. Carroll, Kuan-Chou Chen, David S. Cochran, William (Bart) Collins, Joy L. Colwell, Carlos M. Corvalan, Marius D. Dadarlat, Brian R. Dineen, Melissa M. Franks, Takashi Hibiki, Singe E. Kastberg, David B. Klenosky, Maricel A. Lawrence, Michael C. Loui, Samuel P. Midkiff, James L. Mohler, Melanie Morgan, Nancy Pelaez, Manushag (Nush) Powell, Jerry P. Ross, David G. Skalnik, Candiss B. Vibbert (Provost's Representative), Jun Xie, Yan Ping Xin, Mohammad Zahraee

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE RECEIVED FROM: Michael J. Connolly, Lucy M. Flesch, Mary E. Johnson, Marcela Martinez, Rhonda G. Phillips, Paul Salama, Carol S. Sternberger, Chong Xiang

ABSENCES: Christopher R. Agnew, Janice S. Blum, Ryan A. Cabot, (Vincent) Jo Davisson, Jonathan M. Harbor, Susan M. Mendrysa, Steven F. Son

GUESTS: Janet Beagle, Debbie Fellure, Donna Ferullo, Colleen Gabauer, Manohar Kalwani, Mark Schuver, Brittany Wright

I. MINUTES

The minutes of the November 16, 2017, Graduate Council meeting were approved as presented.

II. DEANS REMARKS AND REPORTS

- a) Dr. Linda Mason noted that the Graduate School is continuing to work on the revisions that were reported in the Fall semester going through a complete review of the Graduate School with over one hundred changes that are being put in place. An update will be presented to the Provost in February on what we have accomplished and what is yet to be accomplished. Dr. Mason noted the changes for several processes: 1) the electronic Form 90 for Fellowships 2) reduction in signatures for plans of study or the number of signatures for different committees 3) change for the higher learning commission for our accreditation for a student's committee meeting with a box that appears for the major professor that will go into the five areas of measurement on students in collecting this

information electronically. There will be more processes that will be forthcoming as these changes roll out.

- b) Dr. Melanie Morgan reported on several new and exciting things that the Professional Development Office is working more collaboratively with different offices across campus. We are encouraging faculty to emphasize to their students the many workshops are being offered during the Spring semester. Dr. Morgan noted that two new opportunities that will be offered:
  - 1) Grant Writing Workshop – we are collaborating with the Vice President for Research Office. The grant writing group will be presenting a series of workshops to help our graduate students and postdocs become more familiar with grantsmanship.
  - 2) Diverse Pathways to Careers Workshop – this workshop is primarily targeted to social sciences and humanities students; however, other students may also benefit. There will be three speakers who are Purdue Alumni leading the workshop.

Dr. Morgan also noted that there will be two competitions this Spring:

- 1) The Three Minute Thesis (3MT) which has been held for several years and continues to grow. There will be a series of workshops to prepare students for the competition. There are opportunities for students to practice in the community through several Nursing Homes.
  - 2) Say It In 6 is a new competition that is starting to gain momentum across the country where students talk about their personal narrative and experience in Graduate School in six words. There will be 10 different categories for students to compete in. They will submit their six words or their six words with an original piece of art or photography to represent their experience at Purdue University.
- c) Dr. Tom Atkinson noted that The Purdue University Chapter of Sigma Xi, the scientific research society, is conducting a Graduate Student and Post-Doctoral Fellow Research Awards Competition in the format of a scientific poster session on February 21, 2018. Dr. Melanie Morgan and Dr. Tom Atkinson will send an announcement to postdocs and graduate students with the detailed information. Dr. Howard Zelaznik, Chair of the Research Awards Competition welcomes anyone interested in judging the competition.
- d) Dr. Linda Mason noted that the Graduate School is looking at new awards to sponsor. We are looking at some additional awards that we would have outstanding graduate students for teaching, research, and service. Dr. Mason also noted that there would be mentoring awards for postdocs and graduate students who serve as mentors. Dr. Mason asked the Graduate Council members to let her know of other ways in which we could recognize graduate students.
- e) Dr. James Mohler gave a report on pending degree program proposals in various stages of review and approval.

- f) Dr. James Mohler gave a report on pending course proposals in review with the Graduate Council area committees, proposals awaiting additional information from proposers, course proposals requested by departments for removal, and new course proposals received since the previous Graduate Council meeting.

### III. PRESENTATION

Tina L. Payne, Graduate Programs Manager, Secretary to the Graduate Council, gave a brief demonstration of *Curriculog*, the new electronic proposal processing tool that went live on January 1, 2018.

### IV. AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS (Area Committee Chairs)

*Graduate Council Document 18A*, Graduate Council Documents Recommended for Approval:

Area Committee C, Engineering, Chemistry, and Physical Sciences (Lucy Flesch, [lmflesch@purdue.edu](mailto:lmflesch@purdue.edu)):

*Graduate Council Document 17-29b*, CS 51520, Operating Systems (PNW-Hammond)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-29c*, CS 51530, Programming Languages, Interpreters & Compilers (PNW-Hammond)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-29e*, CS 51550, Database Systems (PNW-Hammond)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-29j*, CS 52510, Distributed Systems (PNW-Hammond)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34a*, EAPS 50700, Introduction to Analysis and Computing with Geoscience Data (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34b*, EAPS 51000, Climate Time Series Analysis (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34c*, EAPS 51500, Geodata Science (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34d*, EAPS 53000, Extreme Weather and Climate: Science and Risk (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34e*, EAPS 54000, Introduction to Geodesy (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-34f*, EAPS 54100, Geodetic Data and Applications (PWL)

Due to the absence of Chair, Dr. Lucy Flesch, Dr. Michael Loui presented ten courses for consideration. The courses were approved by the council, upon a motion by Dr. Loui.

Area Committee D, Humanities and Social Sciences (Manushag (Nush) Powell, chair: [mnpowell@purdue.edu](mailto:mnpowell@purdue.edu)):

*Graduate Council Document 17-41a*, COM 64100, Integrated Marketing Communication (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-4b*, COM 64200, Persuasive Communication (PWL)  
*Graduate Council Document 17-41c*, COM 64500, Healthcare Communication (PWL)

Dr. Manushag Powell presented three courses for consideration. The courses were approved by the council, upon a motion by Dr. Powell.

Area Committee E, Life Sciences (Natalie J. Carroll, chair; ncarroll@purdue.edu):

*Graduate Council Document 17-16b*, NUR 64100 Principles of Epidemiology (PWL)

Dr. Natalie Carroll presented one course for consideration. The course was approved by the council, upon a motion by Dr. Carroll.

Area Committee F, Management Sciences (Jun Xie, Chair; junxie@purdue.edu):

*Graduate Council Document 17-13c*, MGMT 51300, Student Managed Investment Fund (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13g*, MGMT 52610, Data-Driven Marketing (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13h*, MGMT 52710, Digital Marketing Lab (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13i*, MGMT 52900, Marketing Consulting Projects (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13j*, MGMT 53700, Persuasive Communication (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13d*, MGMT 58500, IT Project Management (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13e*, MGMT 64000, Financial Modeling (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-13f*, MGMT 64700, Financial Engineering (PWL)

Dr. Jun Xie presented eight courses for consideration. The courses were approved by the council, upon a motion by Dr. Xie.

Area Committee F, Management Sciences (Jun Xie, Chair; junxie@purdue.edu)

*Graduate Council Document 17-27a*. Major in Finance, submitted by the Department of Management (PWL)

*Graduate Council Document 17-51a*. Major in Marketing, submitted by the Department of Management (PWL)

Dr. Jun Xie presented two graduate majors for consideration. The majors were approved by the council, upon a motion by Dr. Xie.

## V. PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT -- PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Linda Mason presented the Purdue Graduate Student Government (PGSG) Report in the absence of Ms. Marcela Martinez, President of the (PGSG)

- PGSG is sponsoring a free speech panel on Thursday, January 18, 2018.
- A Mental Health Awareness Week will be held the week of February 5, 2018. Activities and workshops will be held at the Graduate Student Government Center.
- Graduate Student Appreciation Week will be held this Spring. Graduate students and the Graduate School are planning activities for the event.
- The Big Event will be held the week of Spring Break. Graduate students can volunteer to do community service and activities as a Graduate community.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Initial discussion of proposed changes to Graduate Faculty Status classifications and service levels. Dr. James Mohler noted that the current Graduate Faculty Status system has expanded into an unwieldy system of classifications (there are 24 total types of statuses amongst the regular and special classifications). Some of these status types have created inconsistencies (e.g., it is possible for a person outside the university to have a higher classification than someone inside the university with the same credentials), unfair elevation of certain credentials (e.g., while PhDs can serve on any committee, other doctorates that include a thesis or dissertation cannot), and unfair treatment of faculty based on their roles (e.g., the elevation of tenure-track faculty above clinical faculty even when all other credentials are equal).

Dr. Mohler noted that the proposal, in summary, is to reduce the number of classifications from eight (8) to four (4) and sixteen (16) special statuses to five (5). Dr. Mohler asked the Graduate Council members to take this to their units and provide feedback to him. Dr. Mohler would like to bring forward a formal document in February with a Graduate Council number for formal discussion and at another meeting to vote on the proposed modification.

## VII. CLOSING REMARKS AND ADJOURNMENT

The council meeting was adjourned by Dr. Mason at 2:45 p.m.

Linda J. Mason, Interim Chair

Tina L. Payne, Secretary

### **APPENDIX A**

#### **PENDING DOCUMENTS**

(January 18, 2018)

#### **BOLDED ITEMS ARE IN REVIEW WITH AN AREA COMMITTEE**

Area Committee C, Engineering, Chemistry, and Physical Sciences (Lucy Flesch, [lmflesch@purdue.edu](mailto:lmflesch@purdue.edu)):

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**NEW DOCUMENTS RECEIVED**  
(After the January 18, 2018 Graduate Council Meeting)

Area Committee A, Behavioral Sciences (Yan Ping Xin, chair; yxin@purdue.edu):

*Graduate Council Document 18-6a, **Graduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis**, submitted by the Department of Educational Studies, PWL.*

Area Committee A, Behavioral Sciences (Yan Ping Xin, chair; yxin@purdue.edu):

*Graduate Council Document 18-7a, **CSR 60200, Transitional Health Disparities: Research, Practice, and Policy** (PWL) Sem. 1. Lecture 1 time per week for 150 minutes. Credit 3. Prerequisite: Graduate student standing.*

This course will provide an overview of quantitative and qualitative research methods, measurement models, and research skills relevant to translational health science and the transfer/translation of knowledge from the research setting to applied practice settings. Course material will place special emphasis on research skills for developing health disparities translational researchers and strategies for being culturally competent, and career-minded in the mediation, cultivation, and development of translational research skills, and the implementation of evidence-based practices. Emphasis is placed on service needs of marginalized populations.

Area Committee E: Life Sciences, Natalie J. Carroll, chair; ncarroll@purdue.edu):

*Graduate Council Document 18-8a, **ANSC 55200, Advanced Meat Science** (PWL) Sem. 1. Lecture 2 times per week for 75 minutes. Credit 3. Prerequisite: For graduate students: Graduate standing (i.e., no prerequisites). For undergraduates: BCHM 30700 and either ANSC 35100 or ANSC 30100.*

The overall goal of the course is to provide students with an advanced understanding of meat science and technology. In order to complete this goal, students will participate in activities including classroom lecture, group discussion, critical reading of literature, written assignments and exams, and/or student projects.