## Winthrop University Graduate Faculty Assembly

Agenda, November 22, 2019, 2pm (combined with Faculty Conference) Kinard Auditorium, 018 Kinard Hall

I. Call to Order34 people in attendance; meeting called to order at 4:14pm

II. Welcoming Remarks

Lisa Harris Graduate Faculty Assembly Chair

- III. Approval of minutes of the Graduate Faculty Assembly from April 19, 2019 Please find the minutes at the bottom of this agenda.
  - Minutes were approved
- IV. Report from the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Adrienne McCormick
  - No report
- V. Report from the Graduate Council

Eric Birgbauer Graduate Council Chair

- Policies modifications requiring a vote see end of agenda for text
  - o Course Transfer Policy
    - Wanda Koszewski made a motion to delete the phrase pertaining to Nutrition ("Students in the Master of Science in Human Nutrition program are limited to a maximum of six hours of transfer credit from another graduate school.") This motion was seconded, and it passed.
    - The Course Transfer Policy passed.
  - o Probation Policy
    - A GFA member asked, "Is there a maximum amount of time students can be on probation?" The response was that students must have a 3.0 to graduate. Therefore, graduation is the time limit. It was discussed that students could theoretically complete all coursework on probation and then not graduate. Jo Koster asked if this applied to online programs as well. Lisa Harris replied that "Yes, this would apply to online programs as they are Winthrop graduate programs."
    - The Probation Policy passed.
- Curriculum Action requiring vote Please refer to the curriculum management system for justification and explanations See end of the agenda for list
  - o MAT Traditional- four new areas: Middle Level, Special Education, Early Childhood, Elementary Education.
    - MAT Traditional CA passed
  - o MAT Accelerated- one new certification- PE
    - MAT Accelerated CA passed.

- Review of curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that do not require a GFA vote—See end of the agenda for list
- Review of curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that do not require a GFA vote and are being considered by CUC. See end of the agenda for list
- Review of curriculum items approved at the college level that do not require a GFA vote See end of the agenda for list
- Graduate Faculty Status
  - Congratulations to new graduate faculty members.
- Petitions
- VI. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School Jack DeRochi
  - The Dean had to leave to catch a plane. No report.
- VII. Unfinished Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Announcements
- X. Adjournment
  - Meeting adjourned at 4:21 pm.

\*Note: New GFA bylaws were approved during Faculty Conference on November 22, 2019.

### Policy Items that require a GFA vote

## **Transfer Credit Policy**

Winthrop may credit toward a graduate degree 9 semester hours of graduate work, or up to 30% of the program, from another accredited graduate institution upon approval of the appropriate advisor and academic dean. (An additional 3 semester hours or up to 10% of the program may be transferred, at the discretion of the advisor and academic dean.) Students in the Master of Science in Human Nutrition program are limited to a maximum of six hours of transfer credit from another graduate school. Transfer of credit must be approved in writing by the student's advisor and academic dean for inclusion in the student's official program of study; and the course level is verified in Records and Registration. After a student has entered a graduate program at Winthrop, permission from the student's advisor and academic dean is required prior to enrolling in the transfer course(s). Approval to Transfer Graduate Credit forms are available online at www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/forms. Official copies of transcripts must be submitted and evaluated before any transfer credit may be officially accepted. Certain courses

submitted for transfer may not be considered equivalent to specified requirements although course titles may be the same.

# **Probation Policy**

Once a student has been fully admitted with graduate degree status or with graduate non-degree status, he or she is expected to maintain an acceptable cumulative grade-point average. A student whose cumulative grade-point average falls below2.85 during the first 18 hours of coursework is placed on academic probation. A student who has earned more than 18 hours and who fails to maintain a grade-point average of 3.0 is placed on probation. The first semester a student's cumulative grade-point average falls below a 3.00, he or she is placed on academic probation. Students on academic probation may not enroll in more than 9 semester hours per semester. A student on academic probation whose semester grade-point average is 3.00 or higher is not dismissed at the close of that semester even though the cumulative grade-point average remains below 3.00. The student may continue enrollment on academic probation. The student is removed from academic probation at the close of a semester in which the cumulative grade-point average meets or exceeds 3.00.

A student may take up to nine graduate hours while on academic probation. If the grade-point average does not rise to the minimum acceptable standard based on the number of hours earned within the first nine hours of being placed on probation, the student is dismissed from graduate study. A course in which the student chooses to withdraw before the withdrawal deadline will not be included in this nine hour limit. A student on probation who chooses to withdraw from a course may not be eligible for financial aid the following semester because a student seeking financial aid must be enrolled in at least six semester hours. Students on probation in cohort programs requiring more than nine hours a semester must raise their grade-point average to a 3.00 the minimum acceptable standard by the end of that semester. If a student repeats one or two courses while on academic probation, the new grade replaces the original grade in the calculation of the grade-point average.

Grade-point averages calculated for removal of probationary status are based on all graduate courses taken at Winthrop University, not on selected courses. All course work used to restore the grade-point average to the minimum acceptable standard based on the number of hours earned must be completed at Winthrop. Credit earned at any other institution while the student is on academic probation or is ineligible to enroll at Winthrop cannot be applied to any degree at Winthrop University

Curriculum Items that require a GFA vote

**Program Changes:** 

- MAT Traditional: Add four new certification areas Middle Level, Special Education, Early Childhood, Elementary Education
- MAT Accelerated: Add one certification area Physical Education

## Curriculum Items that do not require a GFA vote

Curriculum items approved at Graduate Council:

• Modify MA-ENGL: Remove thesis requirement/option

Curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that have been sent to CUC for consideration:

- a. New course: ARTS511: Advanced Interdisciplinary Studio
- b. Modify course: ARTS532: Advanced Sculpture (3:7)
- c. Modify course: ARTS542: Advanced Painting (3:7)
- d. Modify course: ARTS551: Advanced Ceramics (3:7)
- e. Modify course: ARTS555: Advanced Jewelry and Metals (3:7)
- f. Modify course: ARTS570: Advanced Fiber Art Studio
- g. Modify course: BIOL517: Human Genetics
- h. Modify course: BIOL526: Applied Microbiology
- i. Modify course: BIOL530: Current Methods in Microscopy
- j. New course: MATH544: Regression Modeling
- k. New course: MCOM502: International Communication
- 1. New course: MCOM504: Intercultural Communication
- m. Modify course: NUTR520: Sports Nutrition
- n. New course: PLSC513: Campaign Management and Political Communication
- o. Modify course: PLSC518: Politics of the American South
- p. New course: PLSC530: Identity, Ethnicity, & Nationalism
- q. New course: PLSC550: Social Science Data Analysis
- r. New course: PLSC555 and WMST555 (cross-listed): Queer Theory
- s. New course: WMST509: Masculinities

#### Curriculum items approved at the college level:

- a. New course: RELG650: Special Topics in Religious Studies
- b. Modify course: ARTS696: Thesis Production

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Minutes, April 19, 2019, 2pm (combined with Faculty Conference)
Dina's Place, DiGiorgio Center

XI. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order after Faculty Conference closed. A quorum of graduate faculty members was present; the meeting was started at 4:21 pm.

XII. Welcoming Remarks

Lisa Harris Graduate Faculty Assembly Chair

- XIII. Approval of minutes of the Graduate Faculty Assembly from November 30, 2018 Please find the minutes at the bottom of this agenda.

  Minutes from the November 30 meeting were approved unanimously.
- XIV. Report from the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Debra Boyd No reports
- XV. Report from the Graduate Council

Tracy Griggs Graduate Council Chair

- Curriculum Action requiring vote Please refer to the curriculum management system for justification and explanations, see end of the agenda New graduate certificate in lactation- No discussion, all in favor, none opposed Accreditation for Athletic Training No discussion, all in favor, none opposed
- Review of curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that do not require a GFA vote— See end of the agenda Explanation by Dr. Griggs of graduate council items
- Review of curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that do not require a GFA vote and are being considered by CUC. See end of the agenda
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- Graduate Faculty Status
- Petitions
- XVI. Report from the Dean of the Graduate School Report was sent out on Tuesday.

Jack DeRochi

XVII. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

#### XVIII. New Business

There was no new business.

#### XIX. Announcements

There were no announcements.

#### XX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lindsay Yearta GFA Secretary

### **Curriculum Items Referenced Above**

Curriculum Items that require a GFA vote New Programs:

- CERT-LACN: New Graduate Certificate in Lactation. The overall goal of this program
  is to help individuals within the state of South Carolina who are interested in pursuing a
  career as a lactation consultant, and it helps current students meet requirements for
  IBCLC exam.
- MS-ATRN: The Commission on Accreditation for Athletic Training Education has mandated that athletic training education must be conducted at the graduate level by 2023. The new Master of Science in Athletic Training (MS-ATRN) will replace the existing BS in Athletic Training.

Curriculum Items that do not require a GFA vote Curriculum items approved at Graduate Council:

- MS-NUTR: Merging NUTR 626 into NUTR 624 -Last academic year we had approved to merge NUTR 624 Vitamins and NUTR 626 Minerals into one course NUTR 624 Vitamins and Minerals.
- MLA-LART-PLCE: Updates to the program include requiring students take 3 designators overall and at least 2 of these included in the concentration. The list of courses to choose from in the concentration has also been expanded. Reason: making the program more intentionally interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary is consistent with national liberal arts program standards.

Curriculum items approved by Graduate Council that have been sent to CUC for consideration:

• ACCT 515 New

- ACCT 521 New
- ACCT 525 Changed pre-regs
- ATRN 501 New, part of Master of Science in Athletic Training (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 502 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 505 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 515 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 520 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 525 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 530 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 535 New (MS-ATRN)
- ATRN 550 New (MS-ATRN)
- BADM 571 Name change
- BIOL 507 Split BIOL 515 into two
- BIOL 505 Changed pre-regs
- BIOL 508 Changed pre-regs
- BIOL 510 Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 511 Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 517 Changed pre-regs
- BIOL 518 Changed pre-reqs
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- BIOL 552A Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 552B Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 555 Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 560 Changed pre-reqs
- BIOL 570 Changed pre-reqs
- EDCI 594 New
- EDCI 595 New
- GEOG 515 New

- GRNT 504 Title change
- MGMT 522 Changed pre-reqs
- MGMT 526 Changed pre-reqs
- NUTR 590 New course in Lactation certificate program
- PSYC 504 Title change, number change
- SOCL 504 Title change
- SOCL 519 Pre-reqs required grade change
- WRIT 530 Drop

### Curriculum items approved at the college level:

- ARTE 650 New, Provides practical knowledge based on assessment of ARTS 584
- ARTS 600 New, Consolidates ARTS special topics courses
- ARTS 601 New, Consolidates ARTS special topics courses
- ARTS 695 Removing exam, SU to regular grade scale, better descriptions of course
- ARTT 690 New, Increase peer rapport and enrollment in MFA
- ARTT 697 New, changes to thesis
- ATRN 601 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 602 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 603 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 604 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 620 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 630 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 650 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ATRN 660 New, Part of new required graduate level ATRN program
- ARTN 670 New, Part of the new MS in Athletic Training (MS-ATRN) program
- EDCI 640 Name change (EDUC to EDCI)
- EDCI 670 Name change (EDUC to EDCI)
- EDCI 681 Name change (EDUC to EDCI)
- EDCO 620 Name change (EDUC to EDCO)
- MGMT 684 Changed pre-reqs
- NUTR 617 New, to meet increased expectations in profession
- NUTR 632 New, Help students prepare for practical professional experiences
- NUTR 690 New, Graduate version of NUTR 490A
- PHYS 610 New, permanent version of PHYS 610X