MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE

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November 27, 2012

Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, C. Fry Bohlin, T. Lopez, N. P. Mahalik, T. Wein, K. Dames (student)

Members excused: P. Trueblood and R. Raeisi

Guests: Mitzi Lowe (Associate Dean) and Cricket Barakzai

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 2:05 p.m. in TA #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the minutes for November 13, 2012.

2. Agenda. MSC to approve the agenda as distributed.

3. Communications and Announcements.

1. Chair Wilson communicated that the Graduate coordinator breakfast is on Thursday, Nov. 29, 7:30 – 9:00 am (Vintage Room).
2. Two Program Reviews are coming up: December 4 - Psychology (Ed.S. & M.A.); December 11 – M. A. Chemistry
3. Dean Brown-Welty mentioned that the Division of Graduate Studies Open House for graduate coordinators is on Monday, December 17, at 6:00 pm at University House.
4. Dean Brown-Welty invited the committee members for an end of the semester lunch.

4. Post-Master’s Certificate Programs for Nursing: Adult-Gero Clinical Nurse specialist/Nurse Educator and Pediatric Clinical Nurse specialist/Nurse Educator.

1. The invitees and the committee members introduced themselves.
2. The members asked questions to the invitees to clarify certain points that are presented in the certificate programs proposal: (1) The rationale for the two certificate programs; (2) How the other campuses

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are moving with the CNS changes; (3) Whether it is online; (4) Preceptor selection for clinical practicum; (5) Why the certificate is offered via CGE?; (6) The qualifications of the faculty; (7) Number of courses in Adult-Gero program; (6) qualifications of instructors, and (7) syllabi for new versus existing courses.

Dr. Barakzi clarified that (1) the exam pattern of clinical nurse at the national level has changed since 2008-9 necessitating the additional specific curricula; (2) other universities have already made this change; (3) the program is a hybrid of on-site and web-enhanced; the students will participate in clinical field work where they live; (4) preceptors are selected by the students; (5) the program requires few units, is cost effective, and is offered in response to the certification requirements; (6) both have CNS; (7) four courses: two didactic and two clinical; the courses have already been approved at the college level and Grad Curriculum committee.

1. MCS to approve first reading for the certificate programs (i) Adult-Gero Clinical Nurse Specialist and (ii) Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist and waive second reading.
2. Continued discussion of the Business Program Reviews.

The committee continued discussion of the MBA/EMBA Business Program Reviews. The following points were noted for recommendations.

1. Focus on writing and methodology.
2. Collect data in regard to direct measures.
3. Improve student-faculty matching.
4. Consultation of the Chair with the Coordinator for faculty hiring.

MSC: The University Graduate Committee (UGC) recommends approval of the MBA Graduate Program as a Program of Quality and Promise.

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of the EMBA Graduate Program as a Program of Quality and Promise.

1. MSC: to adjourn at 3:05 pm

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The next scheduled meeting for the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, December 4, at 2 pm in TA 117.

Agenda:

1.     Approval of the Minutes of 11/27/12

2.     Approval of the Agenda.

3.     Communications and Announcements.

4. Program Review for M.A. and Ed.S. in Psychology

5. Discussion of dual-listed, co-scheduled course policy and possible revisions