

MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: T. Skeen (Chair), S. Brown-Welty, K. Carey, P. English,
G. Kriehn, N. Mahalik, S. Skelton, Z. Wang, R. Yazdipour.

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: M. Russler, R. Fire, A. Hoff.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Skeen at 2:00 p.m. In the University Center Room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of October 28, 2008.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. Two handouts related to the proposed Certificate of Advanced Study in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (Certificate, hereafter) were distributed at the meeting for discussion.
 - b. Chair T. Skeen reminded the committee that representatives from the Nursing Department would join the meeting as scheduled.
4. Certificate of Advanced Study Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Discussion of the Proposal- Time certain 2:20 p.m.

Discussions took place on the proposed Certificate:

- a. Program Delivery – Mainly a hybrid delivery model that includes on-site teaching and learning, as well as teaching and learning via Blackboard and other complementary media like video conferencing and Elluminate.
- b. Program Content - Aside from delivery issues, the committee shared its concerns with the guests especially on the “Program Objectives and Outcomes” as outlined in the proposal.

In a very lively manner, M. Russler and R. Fire addressed and answered all the concerns and issues raised by committee members.

More discussions took place after visitors left the meeting.

MSC to approve the proposed Certificate of Advanced Study in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner as submitted.

(The vote was 7 in favor of the proposal with one member abstaining.)

5. Interdisciplinary Course Substitution – Galen Balcom.

Discussion then moved to the interdisciplinary course substitution petition as submitted by Galen Balcom. After further consideration the following motion was made:

MSC to approve Galen Balcom's proposal as submitted with the understanding that the candidate will show how the proposed course substitution meets the requirements of the original course and that the instructor has waived the second prerequisite (CSCI 126) for that course.

There is no need for the proposal to come back to the committee as Chair T. Skeen would do the needed follow-ups with the student and the Graduate Division.

MSC to adjourn at 3:15 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Graduate Committee is Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 11/4/08.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. Special Education (time certain 2:20 p.m.)
5. Holiday luncheon.