

**Graduate Council Minutes**  
**Thursday – April 16, 2020**  
**Zoom mtg. ID: 433 374 422 – 3:00PM-5:00PM**  
<https://unt.curriculog.com/agenda:360/form>

**Note: Course changes and additions will not take effect until they are listed in the graduate catalog. Items marked with an asterisk (\*) must have approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board before listing in the graduate catalog. Items marked with a plus (+) must be approved by the Department of Education before being listed in the graduate catalog.**

*Graduate Council Voting Members: Douglas Brozovic, Kris Chesky, Lynne Cagle-Cox, Nolan Gaffney, Gwen Nisbet, Felix Olschofka, Daniel Peak, Gayle Prybutok, Prathiba Natesan (absent), Leslie Roberts (present by proxy), Lawrence Williams, Dale Yeatts*

**I. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*I-1. Kris Chesky announced that due to Felix Olschofka's new role as associate dean, he will no longer be allowed to serve on GC after May 1. Members thanked Felix for his contribution.*

**II. MINUTES**

*MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM II-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL*

*UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM II-1.*

*II-1. Approval of March 19, 2020 minutes*

**III. CHAIR / TGS DISCUSSION ITEMS / ACTION ITEMS / INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Toulouse Graduate School**

*MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM III-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL*

*UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM III-1. WITH FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO ADD the RATIONALE TO THE CHANGE: The option to use courses from a previous degree will serve students who would like multiple but overlapping or compatible degrees. AND REQUESTED STATEMENT: This only applies to graduate level credits earned for a graduate level degree. THE REQUESTED HAS BEEN INSERTED INTO THE TEXT BELOW.*

**III-1. Transfer credit (Master's) - Adding transfer credit for conferred hours (Action Item)**

**Description:** Adding new verbiage (to what passed in Dec19; effective Spr20) to Transfer credit (Master's)

**Transfer credit for conferred credit hours**

A limited number of conferred transfer credit hours may be applied toward the requirement of a new master's or doctoral degree. *The option to use courses from a previous degree will serve students who would like multiple but overlapping or compatible degrees.* Students in any graduate program may request to use of a limited number of credits from a conferred degree toward the requirements of a second degree. Credits may never be used for three or more degrees; if a student seeks a third degree, it must stand alone. A degree may overlap with only one other degree for the purpose of using credits from a previously conferred degree. *This only applies to graduate level credits earned for a graduate level degree.* In general, the maximum number of hours that are usable from a previously conferred degree is determined as follows:

- up to 6 semester hours in a 30- to 35-hour program,
- up to 9 semester hours in a 36- to 41-hour program,
- up to 12 semester hours in a program of 42 hours or more.

For any transfer credit to count toward a degree, the courses transferred must have been taken within the time limit established by the Toulouse Graduate School. The number of credits from a conferred degree counted will have to be determined on a program by program basis dependent upon the number of credits in the program. Departments and programs may limit the counting of previously conferred credit hours below the maximum but may not allow counting above the limit. Some programs may not allow counting of previously conferred degree credit hours.

For a doctoral student who wants to use their doctoral credits toward a master's degree in another program, the department/program granting the master's will decide how many credits may apply toward the master's degree as long as they are within the limits allowed for as described above.

**IV. REQUEST FOR NEW COURSES**

**V. REQUEST FOR ADD NEW OR DELETE EXISTING MAJOR/PROFESSIONAL FIELD, CONCENTRATION, OPTION, MINOR, CERTIFICATE (excluding GACs), OR SPECIALIZATION**

**G. Brint Ryan College of Business**

**Department of Information Technology & Decision Sciences**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM V-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM V-1.**

**V-1. Master of Science with a major in Information Systems (S.T.E.M.) – MS (\*)**

**Justification:** The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects two different types of information systems professionals to be in the top 20 “fastest growing occupations” between 2018 and 2028, (<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/fastest-growing.htm>). They further predict that information systems occupations will grow at a rate of 12% between 2018 and 2028, “much faster than the average for all occupations” (<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/computer-and-information-technology/home.htm>).

We believe that the demand for the MS in Information Systems will mirror the demand generated by our STEM designated MS in Business Analytics. The MS in Business Analytics has traditionally had low enrollments, but after realigning the degree as a STEM designated discipline it has grown exponentially in enrollment. In review of the MS in Business Analytics from Fall 2014 - Fall 2016 enrollment typically hovered around 29-30 students. By Spring 2018 the program had grown 100% to 59 students. By Spring 2020, the program has over 100 students.

**VI. REQUEST FOR ALL GRADUATE ACADEMIC CERTIFICATES**

**VII. REQUEST FOR NEW GRADUATE TRACK PATHWAYS**

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**Department of Information Technology & Decision Sciences**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VII-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VII-1.**

**VII-1. Business Analytics Grad Track Pathway (Business Analytics, BBA grad track option leading to Business Analytics, MS)**

**Justification:** The Department of Information Technology and Decision Sciences would like to build a new pathway in Business Analytics to encourage its brightest students to move into graduate study after completing their bachelors degrees. The selected pathway courses mirror learning objectives and the partnership makes good sense for those students ready for advanced study.

**VIII. REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN PROGRAM, MAJOR, MINOR, DEGREE, OPTION, CONCENTRATION OR REQUIREMENTS**

**G. Brint Ryan College of Business**

**Department of Information Technology & Decision Sciences**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VIII-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VIII-1.**

**VIII-1. Business Analytics, MS - Change in Other (adding a course to the options in supporting field)**

**Justification:** We are adding DSCI 5800 as one of the elective course (supporting course) options. This is to increase flexibility in program and encourage internship experience.

**Department of Management**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VIII-2. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VIII-2.**

**VIII-2. Sport Entertainment Management (\*) - Change in Title (Remove "s" in Sport)**

**Justification:** The major name on both the THECB and UNT inventory is "Sports Entertainment Management". An "S" should not have been on "Sport" in the initial request. This is a correction.

**College of Music**

**Division of Music History, Theory, & Ethnomusicology**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VIII-3. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VIII-3.**

**VIII-3. Music, PhD (Concentration in Musicology) – Change in Requirements**

**Description:** The Doctor of Philosophy degree with a major in music and concentrations in composition, musicology or music theory requires a minimum of 90 semester hours beyond the bachelor's degree. Of these 90 hours, at least 60 must be taken at UNT. Thirty hours may be transferred from other institutions with the approval of the Coordinator of Theory in the College of Music. A master's degree from an accredited institution usually is accepted for the first 30 hours. The minimum residence requirement consists of two consecutive long terms/semesters (fall and the following spring, or spring and the following fall) with a minimum load of 9 hours each term/semester.

It should be understood that the Doctor of Philosophy degree cannot be earned by routine work alone, regardless of accuracy or amount. The degree will be conferred, rather, on the basis of mastery of the field of music as a whole and of proven ability either to plan and carry out an original investigation (in musicology or music theory) or to do creative work (in composition) with distinction.

**A. In Grad Track**

**IX. REQUEST FOR DUAL OR JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS**

**X. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Course Changes**

**G. Brint Ryan College of Business**

**Department of Information Technology & Decision Sciences**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM X-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM X-1.**

**X-1. DSCI 5800 - Cooperative Education (Note(s))**

**Note(s):** ~~May be repeated for credit. Pass/no pass only. Cannot be used as a support course.~~ > May be repeated for credit. Can be used as a support course with prior ITDS departmental approval if three hours are taken.

**B. Course Deletions**

**NO NEW BUSINESS**

**REQUEST TO ADJOURN MEETING – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**