Graduate Council Minutes  
Thursday - June 17, 2021  
Zoom mtg. ID: 941 0220 5134 - 3:00PM-5:00PM  
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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, Nolan Gaffney, Jaymee Haefner (absent), Gwen Nisbet, Daniel Peak, Denise Philpot, Lawrence Williams, Dale Yeatts (absent), Paul Hudak

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

I-1. A self-introduction by new Graduate Student Council President Andrea Ortiz

- Joseph Oppong spoke of the applicants that applied to the Student Travel Grant award and requested to receive GC approval in granting the awards to the applicants. GC approved.
- Joseph Oppong introduced Andrea Ortiz to GC members; Andrea will be the new GSC president for the upcoming year

II. MINUTES

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

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM II-1.

II-1. Approval of May 20, 2021 minutes

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

IV. REQUEST FOR NEW COURSES

College of Education

Department of Teacher Education and Administration

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM IV-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM IV-1.

IV-1. EDLE 5720 - Practicum in Educational Leadership

Description: Provides on-the-job experiences and professional studies in administration and supervision as directed by the student's major advisor. This course requires 60 hours of administrative duties at an accredited EC-12 school.

College of Engineering
Department of Computer Science & Engineering

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM IV-2. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM IV-2.

IV-2. **CSCE 5552 - Cybersecurity Essentials**

**Description:** Provides a practical overview of essential computer and network security concepts and how they can be applied through a series of laboratory experiments. Introduces a wide array of security issues facing computer systems today, with an emphasis on how these challenges are relevant to users, attackers, and forensic investigators. Topics include cryptography, steganography, hashing, attack methods (and appropriate mitigation techniques), wireless security ports, access control, and the acquisition of forensic data.

Toulouse Graduate School

Advanced Data Analytics

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM IV-3. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM IV-3.

IV-3. **ADTA 5160 - Sport and Entertainment Analytics** (Requested exception yr.: 2021-22)

**Description:** This course focuses on developing an understanding of how data analysis can be used to inform decision making in the context of sport and entertainment management. The current sport business landscape requires managers to possess baseline skills in data management and statistical analysis in order to make informed decisions. Students will be required to manage data and conduct statistical analyses according to questions of interest. Topics covered in this course are both practical and applied. Examples from industry complement the core concepts covered in lectures.

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

College of Education

Department of Teacher Education and Administration

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

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM V-1. (note, non-GAC certificate changes do not have a common place on the agenda, so this item was placed under section V; typically, changes are placed under section VIII)

V-1. **Administration certification, Principal as Instructional Leader** (+) (change in other; course titles)

**Justification:** We are aligning our numbers, and EDLE 5720 is listed as a prerequisite for EDLE 5500. We have submitted a course title and number change for EDLE 5500 to change the course to EDLE 5630, Advanced Practicum in Educational Leadership. This change will make our numbering system more logical since students take the practicum classes toward the end of the program. In addition, the Texas Education Agency has presented new requirements that have caused our program to change some of the courses we require for students who are only seeking principal certification.

VI. REQUEST FOR ALL GRADUATE ACADEMIC CERTIFICATES

College of Information

*Indicates THECB approval required
Department of Information Science

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VI-1. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VI-1.

VI-1. Children’s and Young Adult Community Services certificate (*) (change in title, requirements) (Requested exception yr.: 2021-22)

Justification: The previous description and course listings do not match the contemporary expectations of employers for librarians prepared to work with children and teens.

Title change: Youth Services in Libraries and Information Settings certificate > Children’s and Young Adult Community Services certificate

VII. REQUEST FOR NEW GRADUATE TRACK PATHWAYS

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

College of Education

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEMS VIII-1. AND VIII-2. AS A BLOCK – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEMS VIII-1. AND VIII-2.

Department of Counseling & Higher Education

VIII-1. Higher Education, MEd (change in other; core requirement course change)

Justification: Allowing M.Ed. students to take either EDHE 5610 or EDHE 6760 to fill a core requirement will give students more choices. It will also help to streamline course offerings by allowing a doctoral elective course (EDHE 6760) to enroll M.Ed. students as well as Ph.D. and Ed.D. students.

Department of Teacher Education and Administration

VIII-2. Educational Leadership, MEd (change in other; course replacement)

Justification: We have the need to replace one of our courses EDLE 5700 Educational Leadership Applications with a field based course for our students seeking the master's degree and principal certification. Having a semester within the master's that is a field based semester course (5720 Practicum) can allow us to combine that with the course we require after the Master's for principal certification (EDLE 5730 Advanced Practicum) to achieve a full year (2 semesters) practicum. This will help our program become eligible for grants from the Texas Education Agency and allow us to provide a full practicum experience for our students who are seeking the principal's certification and the master's degree.

College of Engineering

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEMS VIII-3. AND VIII-4. AS A BLOCK – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEMS VIII-3. AND VIII-4.

Department of Computer Science & Engineering

VIII-3. Computer Science, MS (change in requirements)

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Justification: As the field changes wireless becomes more important so it's better for the students to take the wireless networks course, than the computer networks course. To address this, we would like to replace CSCE 5580 Computer Networks by CSCE 5520 Wireless Networks and Protocols as an option for Group “B” for the M.S. in Computer Science.

VIII-4. **Cybersecurity, MS** (change in requirements)

Preliminary Information: 21 hours required, 12 hours electives: total 33 hours

Justification: The material in this course covers basic but multiple aspects of cyber, the 5552 is essential for absorbing topics in the other courses in the program.

**College of Information**

**Department of Information Science**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEMS VIII-5. AND VIII-6. AS A BLOCK – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEMS VIII-5. AND VIII-6.**

VIII-5. **Master of Science in Library Science with Concentration in Youth Librarianship** (change in other; listing concentration separately within the catalog) (**Requested exception yr.: 2021-22**)

Justification: Add the Youth Librarianship concentration to reflect the professional market needs.
- Department requests for concentration to print

VIII-6. **MS in Information Science with a Concentration in Health Informatics** (change in other; listing concentration separately within the catalog)

Justification: This Health Informatics concentration is in program description for MS Information Science, but not having a separate concentration in the catalog. It is ranked 6th in the nation. We propose to create a separate concentration to better advertise the program.
- Department requests for concentration to print

**College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences**

**Department of Psychology**

**MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM VIII-7. – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEM VIII-7.**

VIII-7. **Behavioral Science, PhD** (*) (change in hours; decrease) (**Requested exception yr.: 2021-22**)

Preliminary Information: Lowering the total number of credit hours to complete the major/degree by 12 credit hours (from 72 to 60 credits total).

Justification: The Toulouse Graduate School recently reduced the minimum number of credit hours graduate programs must require their students to complete. Now that it is allowed, the Behavioral Science PhD program has voted to reduce its required number of credit hours to degree completion. The goal is to free students' time from taking courses and allow them to focus more on their research productivity.

A. **In Grad Track**

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

X. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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A. Course Changes

**College of Education**

MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEMS X-1. AND X-2. AS A BLOCK – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF ITEMS X-1. AND X-2.

Department of Teacher Education and Administration

X-1. **EDCI 6360 - Critical Issues in Curriculum Studies** (change in repeat status)

Repeat Status:  

• No > Yes

X-2. **EDLE 5730 - Advanced Practicum in Educational Leadership** (change in course title, short course title, course number, description, prerequisite)

- **Course title:** Internship in Educational Administration > Advanced Practicum in Educational Leadership
- **Short course title:** INTERNSHIP > ADV PRAC ED LEAD
- **Course number:** 5500 > 5730
- **Description:** Provision for on-the-job experiences and professional studies in administration and supervision as directed by the student’s major advisor. Internship requires 160 hours of administrative duties at an EC-12 school. > Provision for on-the-job experiences and professional studies in administration and supervision as directed by the student's major advisor. Advanced Practicum requires 100 hours of administrative duties at an accredited EC-12 school.
- **Prerequisite:** A master’s degree, at least 2 years of experience as the teacher of record at an EC-12 school, and a teaching certificate. > EDLE 5720, Practicum in Educational Leadership, A master’s degree (or in the final two classes of a master's degree), at least 2 years of experience as the teacher of record in an accredited EC-12 school, and a teaching certificate.

B. Course Deletions

C. Information Item-THECB Delete

NO NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST TO ADJOURN MEETING – UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

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