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LSU GRADUATE COUNCIL



Graduate Council

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: MARCH 18, 2020

TIME: 9:00 AM

LOCATION: ZOOM MEETING

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Adams, Aghazadeh, Cai, Corbett, Frick, Gansle (Chair), Greckhamer, Husseneder, Lee (Ex-Officio), Marchand, Perry, Piccoli, Richardson (Ex-Officio), Rohli, Seifried, Sharky, and Wicks (Ex-Officio).

ABSENT: Francis and Spivak.

CALL TO ORDER

Gansle called the meeting to order at 9 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The January and February meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

REPORTS

CHAIR'S REPORT

- The Graduate Faculty Meeting is postponed, and will be rescheduled at a later date.

INTERIM DEAN'S REPORT

- Due to the University closing, the Graduate School staff is working remotely and plans to have all services continue as soon as possible. The staff is looking for resources for international students.
- The remote participation policy is being waived to allow all participants to attend remotely.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS' REPORT

- Lee says the University's administration is developing resources to help faculty members transition to online instruction. Faculty is encouraged help make this transition easy for students.
- There are no plans to extend the semester or cancel Commencement at this time. Administration will make additional decisions after consulting with SACS.

NEW BUSINESS

CURRICULUM CHANGE: GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN URBAN & COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The program advisors found that the suggested research course offerings were too limiting for advanced students, after HRE changed their rubric to LHRD, and that there were many additional courses being offered across campus that directly tie into the mission of this certificate program. The department proposes to change the rubric for courses from HRE to LHRD when the school changed their name from the School of Human Resource Education and Development to the School of Leadership and Human Resource Development; to widen the research options to better

reflect the interdisciplinary nature of our students as well as those that are of advanced status; and to add a few additional courses that pertain to working with the community and on community issues in courses across campus can be applied.

Perry moved to approve, Aghazadeh seconded, and motion passed unanimously.

NEW GRADUATE CERTIFICATE: EMERGING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR BUSINESS

The 12-graduate credit hour certificate targets individuals desiring to learn about the newest information systems developments in business. It will be offered exclusively online. The program does not require additional resources since all instructions will be covered by revenue generated from tuition.

Piccoli moved to approve, Greckhamer seconded, and motion passed unanimously.

'REQUIRED FEES' AMENDMENT

Richardson stated one major confusion about the fees stems from the use of the term "Required Fees" on the Budget & Planning website. The "Required Fees" list does not include all required fees. The Grad School has asked departments to revise assistantship offer letters to be very precise and they all seemingly complied. However, graduate students are still complaining. Richardson proposes the following revision to Budget & Planning.

"Because graduate students often understand that the term "required fees" to mean that these are all the fees that are required, the Graduate Council requests that the term "Required Fees" on the Budget & Planning page listing Graduate Tuition and Required Fees (lsu.edu/bgtplan/Tuition-Fees/2019-2020/grad.pdf) be amended to indicated that the fees listed are only part of the total fees that a student must pay, preferably through changing the heading, with similar changes elsewhere as appropriate."

Perry moved to approve, Marchand seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

GRADUATE MINOR POLICY (STUDENT EXAMS)

Members briefly discussed revisions to the policy. Frick moved to approve the following:

A doctoral student may declare a minor before and after the General Defense. A Minor Professor must attend at least one defense after the minor is declared.

Piccoli seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROMOTION & TENURE: No report.

GRADUATE FACULTY: No report.

AWARDS: Committee is currently working Huel Perkins & Dissertation Year Awards.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:16 am.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, April 24 at 9 am. Location: TBA.

RECORDED BY:



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APPROVED BY:



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