

Minutes
Graduate Academic Affairs Committee
April 12, 2019

Members in Attendance: J. Barber, G. Bledsoe, J. Curley, J. Garcia-Martinez, J. Haugen, B. Boyle, B. Looker, M. McCormick, A. Miller, S. Mudigonda, A. Fajardo, M. Pousson, N. Reed, A. Sebert Kuhlmann, K. Thatcher, A. Trees, C. Werner, R. Wood and G. LC Yosten

Guest in Attendance: Steven Howard and Sarah Coffin

Call to Order: R. Wood called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

Approval of Minutes from the March 8, 2019 Meeting: Minutes from the March 8, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

Graduate Certificate in WGS (Arnold):

- Made the changes that were asked from the last meeting/cleaned it up. No questions were asked. This was approved unanimously

GSA Statement:

- On a side note a discussion was going on about GSA cuts. Dr. Wood advised those who are interested contact April work on a draft of a statement and bring it to next month's GAAC Meeting. April just wants to stress the importance of the GA's. Another point was raised about the relationship between Graduate Research Assistants and the Office of Research. Some mentioned inviting Ken Olliff and some of his department to the GAAC, others think we just need to focus on the importance of Graduate Students how critical they are to our teaching mission and research mission, but more teaching. We need our Graduate Students to help teach our undergrad classes.
- GSA had a discussion at the GSA meeting of why GA's are irreplaceable and invaluable to SLU. Presented 10 data points of what the GA's came up with. Committee advised Nick to add clinical hours. Jan to email Nick regarding the clinical hours, some reorganizing, and some other data points. Once this is finalized should get GAAC/UAAC and Graduate Faculty to endorse.

M.A. Philosophy/Theology (Rehg):

- No Rep present to discuss – Jay gave his background of what he knew about this. This is being asked by the Superior General. This program is only for Jesuits. The Philosophy Department supports this. No additional resources need. They would pay tuition. This is coursework only, no thesis. The Committee chose to table this until next month when a rep can present.

Argosy Credit Transfer Proposal (Craig Smith):

- School of Medicine – Medical Family Therapy. Argosy University closed and left their students enrolled in no program to complete. Argosy reached out to the Crediting Body asking all the institutions that offered this program. Also reached out to Jay to see if anything can be done. Jay advised it would have to go before GAAC Committee. They are proposing students be allowed to transfer up to 50% of course work or 30 credits of course work to SLU for a Masters in Medical Family Therapy. Also 27 credits of course work to the doctoral program. All other transfer rules will be in play. Same Admission process. This would not be published in the catalog. Jay would take care of this between his office, Admission and School of Medicine. 100% tuition paying students. A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.

Registrar Policies (Haugen):

- Sent the new version out a few weeks ago – need to prioritize 2 of them.
Attendance - Never add anything in writing which now includes bereavement and religious holidays. A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.
- Grade Appeal – graduating students must appeal within 30 days, undergrads have 90. A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.
- Audit – tabled till next month to see revision
- Committees for Oral Examinations – Minimum of 3 SLU Members. A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.
- In Progress Grades – IP converting to F if course work not completed within one year – tabled till next month due to a few questions and clarification needed.
- Re-admission Policy – 4th sentence was changed to the Deans will establish the time to degree for each student on an individual basis. A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.
- Transfer of Work - A motion was approved and second to approve. Passed unanimously.

Marketing New Graduate Programs (Trees):

- Nothing at this point

Announcements:

- Next Meeting: May 10, 2019

Meeting adjourned at 10:33 am