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From: Dr. Melanie Morgan, Dean

Cc: Dr. Matt Lovern, Associate Dean
Dr. Rebecca Sheehan, Associate Dean
Dr. Carol Powers, Assistant Dean
Dr. Jim Hess, Vice-Provost
Guest: Eshan K. Maitra, GPSGA - President
Guest: Marcia Sun, GPSGA

Date: January 24, 2025

RE: January Graduate Council Meeting

The January meeting of the Graduate Council will be held on FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025, AT 1:30 P.M. IN GAB B-09.

AGENDA

- Approval of the Minutes
- Academic Program Committee Items – Dr. Lovern
 - **New Program Requests:**
 - 1. GCRT in Fashion Design – Digital Product Creation
 - 2. GCRT in Collaborative Piano
 - 3. GCRT in Forensic Investigation of Impaired Driving
 - 4. GCRT in Dyslexia
 - **Expedited Review Items Approved:**
 - 1. Doctorate in Healthcare Administration - DHCA - correct degree sheet error
 - 2. GCRT in Sport Communication - updated with course additions and deletions
 - 3. Masters of Engineering (MEN) Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering - remove GRE requirement
 - 4. Masters of Music (MM) Applied Music - required course updates
 - 5. Masters in Public Health - MPH - required course updates
 - 6. MS Animal Science - remove GRE requirement; required course updates
 - 7. MS Design and Merchandising Interior Design - update program name to better reflect the major
 - 8. MS Design and Merchandising - Merchandising - new course offerings
 - 9. MS Integrative Biology - required course updates
 - 10. MS Microbiology, Cell, and Molecular Biology - required course updates
 - 11. MS Management Information Systems Big Data Analytics - lower required hours from 33 to 30

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- 12. MS Management Information Systems Cybersecurity - lower required hours from 33 to 30
 - 13. MS Management Information Systems Health Analytics - lower required hours from 33 to 30
 - 14. MS Mass Communications - correct degree sheet; required course updates
 - 15. MS Plant Biology - add research proposal defense requirement to degree sheet, reflecting what is already done
 - 16. PhD Curriculum Studies College Curriculum and Teaching - remove GRE requirement
 - 17. PhD Curriculum Studies Curriculum and Leadership - remove GRE requirement
 - 18. PhD Curriculum Studies International and Peace Curriculum - remove GRE requirement
 - 19. PhD Education Literacies and Language Arts Education - update program name to better reflect the major
 - 20. PhD History - required course updates
 - 21. PhD Integrative Biology - remove requirement for MS degree prior to pursuing PhD reflecting practice already in place
 - 22. PhD Microbiology, Cell, and Molecular Biology - reducing required hours for PhD from 90 to 65
 - 23. PhD Nutritional Sciences - required and electives course updates
- Reports
 1. GPSGA Report – GPSGA Eshan K. Maitra/Marcia Sun
 2. Graduate College Report – Dr. Melanie Morgan
- Old Business
 1. 3000/4000 courses for inclusion on Graduate POS. The attached documents provide some background. (Dr. Morgan)
 2. New item on application- “How did you hear about us?” (Dr. Morgan)
- New Business
 1. Grad Faculty Status Management (Dr. Sheehan & Dr. Powers)
 2. Catalog Updates (Dr. Sheehan)
 3. Expedited Review Proposal (Dr. Lovern)

Relevant Dates:

- Last day to submit the Admission to Doctoral Candidacy form to the Graduate College for Summer 2025 Graduation Friday, January 31
- Last day to attend the Thesis/Dissertation Format and Graduation Review or watch the online tutorial in GC Round-Up Friday, March 7
- Last day to submit a Graduation Clearance Form and a revised Plan of Study (if needed) to the Graduate College Friday, March 14
- Spring Break, no classes March 17-21
- Last day to file a Graduation Application with the Office of the Registrar Tuesday, April 1
- Last day to submit Thesis/Dissertation Oral Defense Form to Graduate College
- Last day for online submission of electronic thesis or dissertation, and submission of Signature Approval Page to Graduate College Friday, April 18
- Class Work Ends Friday, May 2
- Term Ends, Formal Reports, Creative Components Due Friday, May 9
- Graduate Commencement Friday, May 9 @ 4:30