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Graduate Council
Agenda
November 22, 2021 1:15pm
(GC2021)

I. Approval of Minutes:

- A. October 25, 2021 Graduate Council Minutes

II. Consent Items

- A. October 4th Curriculum Subcommittee Minutes
- B. October 18 Curriculum Subcommittee Minutes
- C. November 15th Curriculum Subcommittee Minutes (No meeting on Nov 1st)
- D. November Grad Faculty Subcommittee Minutes

III. Action Items

IV. Graduate School Updates

Update from Dr. McGee on the Leave of Absence Policy. Minor comments and editorial changes were made. This will go to Academic Council in December.

Spring enrollment is looking good – encourage graduate coordinators to get students enrolled.

250 graduate students graduating in December

V. Updates from Shadow Team

VI. Updates from GPSA

VII. Updates from Non-voting Members

Dr. Currie gave an update on internet security

Dr. Hagemeyer mentioned the Trailblazer Event for Spring – April 6 and April 7

VIII. Informational Items

- A. SACSCOC Reaffirmation Launch – Cheri Clavier, Ed.D. - Accreditation Liaison

Dr. Clavier gave a full overview of the SACSCOC reaffirmation launch

IX. New Business

- A. Revision to English Language Proficiency Exemptions (see attached language) – Dr. McGee

After meeting with an international consultant, a revision to the English Language Proficiency Exemption list was recommended. This revision expanded the number of countries and further clarified which countries are exempt. This aligns more appropriately with the undergraduate policy as well.

Comments from Dr. Kirkby:

What does it mean to be “from a country?”

What does it mean to be “educated in a country?”

We need to list the United States to this list

How many years should someone be educated in an English speaking country?

After a lengthy discussion new language was created to the Exemptions to the English proficiency test requirements requiring the length of time a student had to be educated in a English speaking country was approved.

B. Feedback related to Termination of Senior Graduate Faculty Status

Consultation with Kay Lennon-McGrew regarding the elimination of the Senior Graduate Status.

Graduate Council needs to vote and designate a time to implement

This was approved and will go into effect January 2022

X. Announcements, Updates

Spring Graduate Council Meeting Dates

- a. January 24, 2022
- b. February 28, 2022
- c. March 28, 2022
- d. April 25, 2022
- e. June 27th, 2022

XI. Adjournment