COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES
MINUTES
February 16, 2005
(Approved April 20, 2005)

The committee on Graduate Studies (COGS) met at 1:30 p.m. on February 16, 2005 in room 202 in the Education Center. Those in attendance were: Dr. Chris Aanastoos, Dr. Judy Butler, Dr. Jack Charlesworth, Dr. Ron Colley, Dr. Luke Cornelius (substituted also for Dr. Linton Deck and Dr. Myrna Gantner), Dr. Cathleen Doheny, Dr. Maria Doyle (substituted for Dr. Lisa Crafton), Dr. Thomas Garcia, Dr. Jorge Gaytan, Dr. Laurel Holland, Dr. Dick Larkin, Dr. Martha Larkin, Dr. Deborah Lea-Fox, Dr. Elaine MacKinnon, Dr. Kathy Moffeit, Dr. John Myers, Dr. Denise Overfield (Guest), Dr. Brent Snow, Dr. Sandra Stone, Dr. Laurie Taylor, Dr. John vonEschenbach, and Mr. John Wells. Dean Jack O. Jenkins presided.

I. Introductions

II. Approval of Minutes
The minutes for the December 8, 2004 meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies were approved.

III. Approval of Graduate Faculty
The following individuals were approved for regular membership on the graduate faculty

Abbott, Rachel Lea, Assistant Professor, Ph.D. University of Alabama, requested by Dr. Winston Pickett

Joyner, Michele L., Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Ph.D. North Carolina State University, requested by Dr. Bruce Landman.

The following individuals were approved for temporary membership on the graduate faculty

Baumstark, Jr., Lewis B., Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Ph.D. GA Tech, requested by Dr. Adel Abunawass.

Dobbin, Rupert, Part-Time Instructor, Political Science and Planning, MA, University of Vermont, requested by Dr. Janet M. Clark.

Sanders, Ken, Part-Time Assistant Professor of CEP, Ph.D. Auburn University, requested by Dr. Brent Snow.
The subcommittee on graduate faculty recommends the following professors appointed temporary faculty to serve on student graduate committees:

Marshall, Gail H., Temporary Assistant Professor, Ed.D. University of Florida, requested by Dr. Diane Boothe.

Pratt, Janice H., Temporary Assistant Professor, Ed.D. University of Alabama, requested by Dr. Diane Boothe.

IV. Old Business
   A. Course Changes
      College of Arts and Sciences
      PSYCHOLOGY
      ADD
      PSYC 6271  Professional Orientation (forms will be changed to correct number)
      PSYC 7085  Adv. Theory
      DELETE
      PSYC 5660  Adv. Topics in Abnormal Psychology
      PSYC 6151  Psychological Appraisal
      PSYC 6160  Counseling Methods
      PSYC 6180  Advanced Counseling Methods
      PSYC 6270  Foundations of Clinical Interviewing
      PSYC 6390  Psychological Suffering and Disorders
      PSYC 6393  Personality Disorders
      PSYC 6397  Psychotic Disorders
      PSYC 8887  Advanced Practicum in Psychology
      (Because the Counseling and Educational Psychology Department has concerns about significant overlap with some of the courses, Dr. Aanstoos stated that he was withdrawing all of the courses from discussion at this time. Discussion of all of the course changes were tabled until Psychology decides to once again bring these curricula issues before the Committee.)

V. New Business
   A. Course Changes
      College of Arts and Sciences
      FOREIGN LANGUAGE
      ADD
      Master of Arts in Teaching French/German/Spanish
      Appendix A
      Appendix B
Course Changes
College of Arts and Sciences
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
ADD
Rationale For FORL Courses
FORL 6001 Action Research in the Foreign Language Classroom
FORL 6010 Topics in Language Education
FORL 6100 Issues in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition
FORL 6699 Master’s Thesis

Rationale for French Additions, Deletions and Modifications
FREN 6150 Linguistics and Literary Theory
FREN 6230 French Drama
FREN 6240 Seminar in French Poetry

Rational for German Course Additions
GRMN 6050 The Holocaust in German Literature and Film
GRMN 6100 Woman in 20th Century Germany
GRMN 6111 History of German Film
GRMN 6170 Advanced Language Skills
GRMN 6785 Topics in German Studies

Rationale for Spanish Course Additions, Deletions and Modifications
SPAN 6205 Hispanic Literature and Culture in Context
SPAN 6240 Spanish Short Story

DELETE
FREN 5170 Advanced Language Skills
FREN 5230 Classical French Drama
FREN 5240 French Poetry
FREN 6040 French Phonetics and Linguistics
SPAN 5001 Spanish Language and Style
SPAN 5205 Hispanic Literature and Culture in Context
SPAN 5240 Spanish Short Story

MODIFY
FREN 6210 French Literature & Film
FREN 6220 Contemporary French Literature
FREN 6250 Translation
Dr. Denise Overfield, Chair of Foreign Languages, discussed some changes that would occur to the Master of Arts in teaching proposal. (1) The CIP codes required for the course will change due to duplicate codes with M.Ed. programs. (2) A budget was not attached to the program, but Dr. Overfield stated to the committee that by the time the proposal is sent before the Faculty Senate Committee that a budget would be included. (3) due to feedback from Dean Jenkins concerning Graduate School GRE requirements, the department may revisit the suggested entrance score to the program (4) Dean Jenkins also requested a statement that the Dean of the Graduate School makes the final admission decision at the Graduate School level. (The MAT courses and associated course additions and changes in the MAT program were all approved by COGS)

POLITICAL SCIENCE
ADD
POLS Program Certificate
POLS 6290 Practicum/Assessment Center
(All additions approved by COGS)

SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY
ADD
SOCI 5700 Sociology of Emotions
(Course Addition approved by COGS)
College of Education
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
MODIFY
Educational Leadership Program
(Dr. Luke Cornelius asked to table the program modification so that Dr. Linton Deck can speak to the need for Ed.S. in Educational Leadership program changes. Consideration of this course request was tabled until such time that Dr. Deck or his designee can come to the meeting and speak to the request for modification of the program.)

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT
DELETE
EDUC 9935 Diffusing Innovations into Social Systems
(Course deletion approved by COGS)

B. Other Items
1. Review of Graduate Admissions Criteria (programs and general)
   Dean Jenkins asked for a faculty member from each college to volunteer to serve on a subcommittee to review general graduate admissions criteria.

2. Changes to Admission to Candidacy Form
   Dean Jenkins stated that the Admission to Candidacy Form was being updated to more specifically reflect what certain departments do to satisfy the comprehensive examination requirement.

3. Dean Jenkins presented information on graduate student enrollment for spring 2005. (Comparison Enrollment)
Dean Jenkins stated that graduate enrollment had dropped system wide during fall semester 2004 except for two institutions. A third had enrolled the exact same number of students as last fall. Dr. John vonEschenbach stated that one reason for enrollment declines is the competition from other institutions such as Piedmont. He also stated that these schools are providing their services on site. A problem may be the University System of Georgia’s off-campus rule where UWG can provide half the courses on site but that students must attend to take their other courses at either Carrollton or Newnan. Dr. vonEschenbach believes this may be hurting our enrollment. Dr. Luke Cornelius concurred with Dr. vonEschenbach. Dr. Cornelius stated that private schools were hurting enrollment with their admission requirements and also indicated that these schools had aggressive marketing campaigns. Dr. Cornelius stated that a strong marketing campaign headed by the Graduate School was needed. Dean Jenkins said that the money was not there to have a more aggressive marketing campaign in terms such as radio and TV ads. Dr. Jorge Gaytan stated that having more online and distance learning courses would help enrollment. With these types of courses his program was not hurting. Dean Jenkins concurred with Dr. Gaytan, citing the Media program as an example.

4. A Celebration of Graduate Student Research
   Dean Jenkins reminded committee members that “A Celebration of Graduate Student Research” will be held on March 10 from 5:30pm-8:30pm.

5. Millers Analogies Test (MAT)
   Dean Jenkins informed committee members that Dr. Kent Layton had hoped to address the issue of reinstating the MAT as an admission test here at UWG. Dean Jenkins stated that the MAT has been revised and can now be taken on the computer. His issue several years ago with the MAT was not the quality of the test itself but security of the test answer keys. The Psychological Corporation has revised test forms and created a 120 test. After some discussion, Dean Jenkins reiterated that the test was not going to replace the GRE but if a department wished to use it instead of the GRE, it would be an option. He asked COGS’ members for whom this issue had not yet been discussed in their departments to please make certain reinstatement of the MAT was discussed and to come prepared to discuss reinstatement of the MAT at our next meeting.

6. Reappointment of Graduate Faculty
   Dean Jenkins reminded the committee that (at least at this time) graduate faculty are reviewed for reappointment to the graduate faculty at the same time that they undergo post-tenure review. Dean Jenkins stated that he will determine if any graduate faculty need to undergo a three year review at this time.
The appeals subcommittee meeting was postponed until the next COGS meeting. The meeting was adjourned.