COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES
MINUTES
December 8, 2004
(Approved February 16, 2005)

The committee on Graduate Studies (COGS) met at 1:30 p.m. on December 8, 2004, in room 200 in the Education Center. Those in attendance were: Dr. Diane Boothe, Dr. Judy Butler, Dr. Jack Charlesworth, Dr. Ron Colley, Dr. Cita Cook (substituting for Dr. Elaine MacKinnon) Dr. Luke Cornelius, Dr. Linton Deck, Dr. Rebecca Dodge (Guest), Dr. Cathleen Doheny, Dr. Debra Dwight, Dr. Myrna Gantner, Dr. Jorge Gaytan, Dr. Michael Hazelkorn, Dr. Laurel Holland, Dr. Deb Bainer Jenkins, Dr. Dick Larkin, Dr. Martha Larkin Dr. Kathy Moffeit, Dr. Harry Morgan, Dr. John Myers, Dr. Winston Pickett, Dr. Brent Snow, Dr. Sandra Stone, Dr. Laurie Taylor, Dr. John vonEschenbach, Dean Jack O. Jenkins presided.

I.  Introductions

II.  Approval of Minutes
The minutes for the November 17, 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

Ivester, Andrew H., Associate Professor of Geosciences, Ph.D. University of Georgia, requested by Dr. Curtis Hollabaugh.

Kassis, Mary, Assistant Professor of Economics, Ph.D. Georgia State University, requested by Dr. David Boldt.

Mbaye, Heather A. D., Assistant Professor of Political Science and Planning, Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, requested by Dr. Janet M. Clark.

Xu, Rui, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Ph.D. West Virginia University, requested by Dr. Bruce Landman.

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

Dean, Mary James, Instructor in Psychology, D.Min. Colgate-Rochester, requested by Dr. Don Rice.

Rivera, Sheila D., Visiting Assistant Professor in Mathematics, Ph.D. Georgia State University, requested by Dr. Bruce Landman.
IV. Old Business
A. The Timely submission of IRB forms
Dr. Sandra Stone spoke on this issue. She stated that she and Dr. Hynes may have found a solution to the problem. When they have reached a consensus she will inform all departments.

B. Certificate Programs – Dean Jenkins stated that at the last meeting that all members were asked to return to their departments to discuss the proposed policy for the approval of certificate programs. Dr. Linton Deck asked for the change in the placement of the section that reads “The graduate certificate is not defined as a degree by the Graduate School; rather, it is a focused collection of courses that, when completed, affords the student some record of coherent academic accomplishment in a given discipline or set of related disciplines. Certificate programs should have published descriptions and marketing materials that will make this distinction clear to possible applicants” from being number 3 on the proposed policy to number 1. The Proposed Policies and Procedure for Graduate Certificate Programs was approved with said change.

C. Course Changes
   College of Education
   MEDIA
   MODIFY
   MEDT 8484  Research Seminar I – modify prerequisite
   Ed.S. Program – Modify Areas II and III
   (All media courses approved)

V. New Business
A. Course Changes
   College of Arts and Sciences
   GEOSCIENCES
   MODIFY
   GEOG 7686  Image Processing for Teachers (modify credit hours)
   (Course modifications approved)

   HISTORY
   ADD
   HIST 5441  Modern Ireland, 1780-Present
MODIFY

HIST 5417  Nineteenth Century Europe, 1789-1914 (modify credit hours, course number and course name)

(All History courses approved)

MATH

MODIFY

MATH 5013  Numerical Analysis (modify prerequisite)
MATH 5153  Applied Mathematical Modeling (modify prerequisite)

(All Math courses approved)

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PLANNING

ADD

PLAN and POLS 5705  Computers in Politics, Planning and Management
POLS 5213  Comparative Public Administration and Policy

MODIFY

PLAN 5701  Technology and Local/Regional Economic Development
  (change title to Technology and Sustainable Economic Development.

(All Political Science and Planning courses approved)

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

(All Psychology courses tabled until next COGS meeting)
B. Report from Subcommittee on Graduate Faculty Regarding a “Special” Category for UWG Graduate Faculty
At the request of Dean Jenkins, the Subcommittee on Graduate Faculty investigated the possibility of having a “Special” graduate faculty status for individuals who were not full-time graduate faculty, but who had special knowledge such that they would enhance the quality of an examining committee for a student’s thesis, Ed.S research project, or dissertation. The Subcommittee examined practices at a number of other institutions and recommended that UWG also have such a membership category. Once approved by COGS, such individuals would have voting privileges on a student’s committee. The subcommittee recommended that temporary graduate faculty be allowed to serve on student’s committees as well with the approval of the Dean of the Graduate School. Discussion ensued. The committee approved the Subcommittee’s recommendations.

The Ed.S. Appeals Committee did not meet.