

**Graduate Programs Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 1:30PM in UCC 308**  
**Approved: March 13, 2019**

**Attendance:** Colleen Vasconcellos, Mark Kunkel, Christi Fain, David Nickell, Rebecca Harrison, Ericka Wentz (for Mai Naito), Clayton Drummond, Wanda Eidson (for Donna Haley), Rahmel Cowen (for Denise Overfield and Alicia Freed), Janet Genz, Ben Geyer, Judy Ruvalcaba, Shelley Rogers, Marie-Cécile Bertau, Abdollah Khodkar, Jill Drake, and O.P. Cooper

**I. Approval of November 30 Meeting Minutes: **Approved electronically on January 12, 2019****

**II. Course/Program Additions, Modifications, Deletions**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. College of Social Sciences**

**1. Department of Psychology**

**A. Psychology, M.A.**

**Originator:** Mark Kunkel. Presented by Mark Kunkel.

**Request:** Modify

**Decision:** **Approved**

**Discussion:** The proposed modifications were presented by Marie-Cécile Bertau at the October 2019 meeting, but the proposal was tabled until supporting documents were added and reviewed. The purpose of the modifications is to equalize thesis and non-thesis options to 36 hours each, reflects changes in credit hours for non-thesis option, outside department hours for both options, maximum hours of Independent Studies allowed to be applied to degree, the addition of a new required course (PSYC 6021), and the removal of two courses no longer being offered. These changes are intended to reflect an increasing emphasis on preparing students for critical thinking and methodological familiarity across all three levels of the departmental curriculum. Furthermore, 45-hour M.A. degrees are unusual.

**2. Department of Political Science**

**A. Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management and Community Development**

**Originator:** Soho Lee

**Request:** Modify

**Decision:** **Tabled**

**Discussion:** As no representative was present to discuss the modifications to this certificate, the proposal has been tabled. It will be added to the March GPC Meeting agenda.

## **B. College of Education**

### **1. Department of Educational Technology and Foundations**

#### **A. MEDT 7451: Administration of the School Media Center**

**Originator:** Lara Willox. Presented by O.P. Cooper.

**Request:** Modify

**Decision:** **Approved**

**Discussion:** Currently the class is offered as MEDT 6461. By updating the course to a 7000 level, they are able to have more flexibility offering it in the Master's and EDS. This course will also be added new EDS with School Library Media Certification (EDS School Library Media Certification modification proposal is forthcoming). The content of the courses remains the same, although learning outcomes have been updated.

#### **B. MEDT 7455: Selection and Materials**

**Originator:** Lara Willox. Presented by O.P. Cooper.

**Request:** Modify

**Decision:** **Approved**

**Discussion:** Currently the class is offered as MEDT 6465. By updating the course to a 7000 level, they are able to have more flexibility offering it in the Master's and EDS. This course will also be added new EDS with School Library Media Certification (EDS School Library Media Certification modification proposal is forthcoming). The content of the courses remains the same, although learning outcomes have been updated.

## **III. New Business**

### **A. Review Teams were assigned to the following:**

- SACSCOC 5th Year Interim Compliance Certification Reviews of Standards 9.1 and 10.5:
  - Standard 9.1: Abdollah Khodhar, Shelley Rogers, and Colleen Vasconcellos
  - Standard 10.5: Shelley Rogers and Colleen Vasconcellos
- Comprehensive Program Reviews
  - RCOB:
    - MBA: Ben Geyer
    - MPAcc: Christi Fain
  - COSS: Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Nonprofit Management and Community Development: Rebecca Harrison and Marie-Cécile Bertau