



GRADUATE COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held March 19, 2024

Present: Dean Kosteas, Professors Ayaburi, Yilmaz, Sun, Sathish Kumar, Rauschert, Slifkin, Kozlowski-Gibson, Guiffre, Jenkins, and Whitbred; Kevin Neal

Guests: Youngjian Fu, Amit Ghosh

Dean Kosteas called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Approve Agenda – **The agenda was approved.**

2. Approve Minutes

a. February 20, 2024 – **The minutes were approved.**

3. New Business

a. Curriculog proposals

- **Software Engineering, Graduate Certificate – 1080 - Fall 23 – Program change**
 - Change the required courses
 - Change the credit hours from 16 to 15
 - Make GPA requirement explicit
 - **Approved**
- **Software Engineering, MSSE - 1080 - Fall 23 – Program change**
 - Change preparatory program
 - Change core courses
 - a. Change CIS 634 to CIS 534
 - b. Revise CIS 635 and CIS 636
 - c. Add CIS 637
 - d. Change number of credits from 4 to 3
 - Change non-thesis option
 - **Approved**
- **Applied Predictive Modeling, Graduate Certificate - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - Adding new courses that didn't previously exist: STA500 - Data Visualization; STA636 - Statistical Methods for Clinical Trials; STA688 - Advanced Statistical Models
 - **Approved**
- **Mathematics, MS - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - Deleting the Specialization in Applied Statistics since there is now an MS in Statistics and Analytics.
 - CIP code was missing - now 27.0101
 - **Approved**

- **Biology, Accelerated Master's - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - The program name is changed from "Biology BS+MS: 4+1 program" to "Biology BS+MS: Accelerated Master's program".
 - Under the heading of "Academic Requirements", the first sentence "Once admitted to the joint B.S./M.S. program, a student may complete up to 11 credits of 500 level graduate course work while still an undergraduate" will be changed to "Once admitted to the joint B.S./M.S. program, a student may complete up to 9 credits of 500 level graduate course work while still an undergraduate".
 - **Approved**
- **Chemistry, Accelerated Master's BS/MS - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - For the 4+1 program revision needs (A maximum of 9-credit for double counting), we decide to remove the "ONE 3 credit hour 500-level Chemistry course in place of a 300/400-level Chemistry elective" on the Required Courses to Complete the BS Program.
 - As suggested by Dean of COGS, we change the original "Chemistry, Accelerated 4+1 BS/MS" title to "Chemistry, Accelerated Master's".
 - **Approved**
- **Business, Accelerated MBA Program, Online - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program deactivation**
 - Suspend the Business, Accelerated MBA Program, Online.
 - **Approved**
- **Business, Executive MBA Program - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program deactivation**
 - The Executive MBA Program is being deactivated temporarily. The various departments and the College Curriculum Committee are in the process of revising the program.
 - **Approved**
- **Global Business, Graduate Certificate - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - The certificate program is being simplified. Also, the credits for completion are being reduced from 14 to 12 so that it is consistent with other certificate programs such as Business Analytics Graduate certificate.
 - **Approved**
- **Global Sustainable Business Practices, Graduate Certificate - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program deactivation**
 - The certificate program is being deactivated temporarily to reduce student confusion.
 - **Approved**

- **Marketing Analytics, Graduate Certificate - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - Program is being simplified and should allow students to complete it faster.
 - The proposed program has the following features.
 - a. Core course being changed to MKT 556 -- multiple sections are offered every semester. It is a 3 credit hour course.
 - b. Students will choose from a longer list of course to complete three electives. Several courses in this list are offered every semester.
 - c. All the courses are 3 credit hours that makes it easier and faster for students to complete the 12 credit hour program
 - **Approved**
 - **Psychological Science, Accelerated Master's BA/MA - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - To reduce the credit hours from 12 to 9 for double counting graduate coursework towards fulfilling undergraduate (BA) and master's (MA) degrees. (In addition, in "Program Requirements" I changed “at least one 1-credit section of PSY 509” to “two 1-credit sections of PSY 509”. For each semester of this two-year program, students need to take 1 credit of PSY 509 per semester, for a total of 4 credits. If students enroll in only 1 credit of PSY 509 during their final undergraduate year, then the +1 year becomes a +1.5 year.)
 - **Conditionally Approved with edits requested.**
 - **Psychology, MA - 1110 - Fall 24 – Program change**
 - The Psychological Science Program (PSP) has a GRE requirement for admission to the program. In recent years--following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic--that requirement was informally waived. Recently, following several rounds of discussion, the PSP faculty voted to approved the GRE as an optional component of the PSP application. Applicants would be able to complete an application and be admitted to program 1) without having provided GRE scores, or, optionally, 2) they would be able to include GRE scores with their application.
 - **Approved**
- b. Courses in Curriculog for approval
- CHM 500, CHM 600, DPT 604, DPT 608, SPM 602, UST 596 - **Approved**
 - CIS 534, CIS 535, CIS 636, CIS 637, CIS 638, MKT 566, MKT 607, MKT 608, MKT 640 - **Conditionally Approved - Routed back to originators with requested revisions.**

4. Graduate Council Representation & Standing Committees

- a. There were no update reports to allow time for curriculum proposals and discussion items.

5. Discussion/action items

- a. Standardizing the accelerated master's (4+1) application process.
- Admissions letter template
 - Running admissions through Graduate Studies
- b. GA offer letter templates. (See UConn's letter template as an example.)



6. Updates/Announcements

7. Items for future discussion – None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

All materials for review before the meeting are available on the University Curriculog web site for access by Council Members. (<https://csuohio.curriculog.com/proposals>)