

University Graduate Council
November 8, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Present: Paul Peluso, Chair; Anita Pennathur, Eric Berlatsky, Danielle Groton, Mihaela Cardei, David Newman, Marianne Porter, Meredith Ellis

Others present: Robert Stackman, Marie Claire Demassi, Victoria Jean-Julien, Debra Szabo, Stephen Steppe, Christine Kraft.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:02pm by Dr. Paul Peluso, UGC Chair.
- II. **Minutes**
 - a) Motion and second to approve minutes from the October 11th UGC meeting.
 - b) Minutes approved.
- III. **Curricula proposals**
 - a) The curricula proposals below were submitted for review and approval by the UGC.
 - b) Motion and second to approve all proposed curricula items was made. All items passed unanimously.

New Curriculum Proposals for November 1, 2023

Curriculum Document Type	Title	College (Department)	UFS Agenda
<u>Reviewers by College: Education, Engineering & Computer Science</u>			
Course Change	WST 6185 Women, War, and Peace Building	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
Course Change	WST 6327 Gender-Based Violence & Resistance	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
Course Change	WST 6339 Sex, Violence in Hollywood	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
Course Change	WST 6348 Women, Environment, Ecofeminism	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
Course Change	WST 6405 Women of Color in the US	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
Program Change	MAT in Political Science	Arts & Letters	Action Agenda
Program Change	MS in Data Science & Analytics	Arts & Letters	Consent Agenda
<u>Reviewers by College: Nursing, Science</u>			
Program Change	MS Artificial Intelligence, MS Computer Engineering MS Computer Science, MS Electrical Engineering MS Biomedical Engineering Waive GRE	Engineering & Computer Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	MS Civil Engineering	Engineering & Computer Science	Consent Agenda

Program Change	MS Data Science & Analytics - Data Science and Engineering Concentration	Engineering & Computer Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	MS in ME, MS in OE	Engineering & Computer Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	MS Information Technology & Management	Engineering & Computer Science	Consent Agenda
Reviewers by College: SWCJ, Medicine/Biomedical Science			
New Course Proposal	OCB 6637 Marine Trophic Ecology	Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	BA or BS with Concentration in Math to MS in Math	Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	BS to MS Combined Program in Mathematics	Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	MS in Mathematics	Science	Consent Agenda
Program Change	Ph.D. in Mathematics	Science	Consent Agenda
Reviewers by College: Arts & Letters, Education			
Program Change	Doctor of Social Work (DSW)	Social Work & Criminal Justice	Consent Agenda
Additional Items			
Catalog Change	Proposal to increase English language proficiency	Graduate College Admissions & Center for Global Engagement	Action Agenda

IV. Additional Discussions

GPSA: Victoria Jean-Julien discussed the upcoming activities the GPSA will be hosting.

Gracious Giving: Nov 16th 5:30pm-7:30pm

Business Etiquette Dinner & Introduction: Nov 16th 5:00pm

Gingerbread House Decorating: Nov 27th 6:00pm

Victoria also shared that there is a new Student Government Health program that will pay \$60 off Health Center visits. The first 375 students that sign up will get a \$60 credit toward medical, dental, and mental health care.

Graduate College: Dean Robert Stackman announced that the Recruitment Grant recipients have been notified this week. Dean Stackman also shared that there has been an increase in graduate students falling below the minimum GPA. In addition to program directors increasing their awareness of the students' progress, Dean Stackman and Registrar, Marie Claire Demassi, are developing a report that will generate a list of all students that have fallen below the minimum GPA. This report will be forwarded to program directors and advisors notifying them of the progress of the students in their programs. Students that fall below the minimum GPA will work with their advisors and program directors on an academic Progression Plan to get them back on track.

The next UGC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, 2023.