

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL FOR 2021

November 2, 2021

Next meeting: *Tuesday, December 7, 2:00-3:30*

Participating Members of the Council and Retirement Dates:

George Flowers (Dean), Maria Witte (Associate Dean), Julie Reece (Assistant to Dean), Libba McMillan (2022), Justin Benefield (2022), Forrest Smith (2022), Matthew Hoch (2023), Lorenzo Cremaschi (2023), Lori Eckhardt (2023), Nedret Billor (2023), Stephen Erath (2023), Ya-Xiong Tao (2024), Valentina Hartarska (2024), Jeff Kim (2024), Christopher Clemons (2024), Jaena Alabi (2024), Oluchi Oyekwe (GSC).

APPROVED MINUTES:

- October 5, 2021

NEW BUSINESS:

A discussion was had on the process for updates and revisions for Accelerated Bachelors/Masters Programs. Of specific interest was the hour and GPA limitations for such programs. After some discussion, it was agreed that the currently stated requirements were academically appropriate and acceptable limitations.

- Policy on Concurrent Master's Degrees

A new Policy on Concurrent Master's degrees (shown below) was discussed and approved. Questions regarding the differences between concurrent programs and a traditional second degree. Clarification on this distinction was provided. The policy was approved without opposition.

Concurrent Master's Degrees

Auburn University also offers a number of approved concurrent master's degree programs, which are specially designed to offer outstanding Auburn graduate students the opportunity to earn two master's degrees in less time and cost than usual by allowing students to double count or share more credit hours than allowed for a second master's degree. A list of approved concurrent master's degrees can be found on the Graduate School website. Such programs require students to be enrolled concurrently in both degrees. They may share up to 9 credit hours if the total hours for both degrees sum to 65 or less. Or they may share up to 12 credit hours if the total hours for both degrees sum to 66 or more. Approval for concurrent programs requires proposal submission by the

offering academic unit(s) and review and approval by the Graduate Council Curriculum Committee and the Graduate Council.

- Academic Bankruptcy policy

A new Academic Bankruptcy Policy (shown below) was discussed and approved. Concern was expressed that the readmission only be allowed with the approval of the department. This requirement was affirmed in the policy. The policy was approved without opposition.

Academic Bankruptcy Policy

Auburn University graduate students who have been suspended or expelled because of poor academic performance may petition the Graduate School for a declaration of academic bankruptcy. Academic bankruptcy allows the student to petition their program, department, and the Graduate School to restart their graduate program after a minimum of a one calendar year separation from Auburn University. For readmission, the student must submit a readmission request form and must be recommended for readmission by the graduate program to which the student is applying. If the graduate program recommends readmission, the student must, in coordination with the Graduate School and program Graduate Program Officer (GPO), identify the semester(s) for which they request academic bankruptcy. If approved, the student forfeits all graduate courses and credits earned at Auburn University for those semesters. Auburn University will retain all forfeited courses on the student’s transcript but will not include forfeited courses in the calculation of the Graduate Grade Point Average. Students may not declare academic bankruptcy more than once.

OLD BUSINESS:

Credentials committee recommendations for graduate faculty criteria, appointments and reappointments:

- The Graduate Council approved without opposition the following appointments and reappointments:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department Name</u>	<u>Reviewing Class</u>	<u>Apt. Type</u>
1	Sarah Aghazadeh	Assistant Professor	Communication and Journalism	1	Initial Appointment
2	Katrina Akande	Assistant Professor	Human Development and Family Studies	1	Initial Appointment
3	Symone Alexander	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	2	Initial Appointment
4	Atiya Avery	Assistant Professor	Systems & Technology	1	Initial Appointment
5	Juliane Braun	Assistant Professor	English	2	Initial Appointment

6	Tiffany Brown	Assistant Professor	Psychological Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
7	Latifat Cabirou	Assistant Professor	Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling (SERC)	2	Initial Appointment
8	Cory Cobb	Assistant Professor	Human Development and Family Studies	2	Initial Appointment
9	Brian Delaney	Assistant Professor	Communication and Journalism	1	Initial Appointment
10	Stephen Erath	Associate Professor	Human Development and Family Studies	2	ReAppointment
11	Jean Fantle-Lepczyk	Assistant Professor	Forestry and Wildlife Sciences	1	Initial Appointment
12	Samantha Fede	Assistant Professor	Psychological Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
13	Elijah Gaddis	Assistant Professor	History	2	Initial Appointment
14	Reza Ghiaasiaan	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	1	Initial Appointment
15	Christopher Grieco	Assistant Professor	Chemistry and Biochemistry	2	Initial Appointment
16	Ralph Henderson	Professor Emeritus	Clinical Sciences	2	ReAppointment
17	Andee Hodo	Director	Accountancy	0	Initial Appointment
18	Aadam Jortner	Assistant Professor	History	2	ReAppointment
19	Barbara Kempainen	Professor	Anatomy, Physiology, and Pharmacology	2	ReAppointment
20	Scott Kramer	Professor	Building Science	2	Initial Appointment
21	Jonathan Kuntsman	Assistant Professor	Psychological Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
22	Wlodzimierz Kuperberg	Professor	Mathematics and Statistics	2	ReAppointment
23	Charles Lesh	Assistant Professor	English	2	Initial Appointment
24	John Linhoss	Assistant Professor	Biosystems Engineering	2	Initial Appointment

25	Anna Linhoss	Associate Professor	Biosystems Engineering	2	Initial Appointment
26	David Lucsko	Assistant Professor	History	2	ReAppointment
27	Chandana Mitra	Assistant Professor	Geology and Geography	2	Initial Appointment
28	Renee Pratt	Associate Professor	Systems & Technology	2	Initial Appointment
29	Rebecca Retzlaff	Assistant Professor	Political Science	2	Initial Appointment
30	Laurence Rilett	Director	Civil Engineering	2	Initial Appointment
31	Janelle Rodriques	Assistant Professor	English	2	Initial Appointment
32	Jason Sawyer	Associate Professor	Animal Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
33	Brandon Smith	Assistant Professor	Animal Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
34	April Smith	Assistant Professor	Psychological Sciences	2	Initial Appointment
35	Deborah Solomon	Assistant Professor	English	2	Initial Appointment
36	Frank Weathers	Associate Professor	Psychological Sciences	2	ReAppointment
37	Candice Welhausen	Assistant Professor	English	2	Initial Appointment
38	Shiqiang Zou	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	2	Initial Appointment

Curriculum Committee recommendations for program proposals and modifications:

- The Graduate Council approved without opposition the following curricular items:

<u>Program/Course Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
CTMD 6010	<u>CTMD 6010 : Teaching Mathematics: Middle School</u>	COE	New Course
CTSE 6030	<u>CTSE 6030 : Teaching Mathematics: High School</u>	COE	New Course
ESSI 8990	<u>ESSI 8990 : Research and Dissertation</u>	SFWS	Course Change
FISH 6735	<u>FISH 6735 : Principles of Marine Aquaculture</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation
FISH 6745	<u>FISH 6745 : Marine Fisheries Management</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation
FISH 7735	<u>FISH 7735 : Marine Plankton</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation
FISH 7755	<u>FISH 7755 : Biological Oceanography</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation

FISH 7765	<u>FISH 7765 : Chemical Oceanography</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation
FISH 7775	<u>FISH 7775 : Fisheries Oceanography</u>	CoAg	Course Inactivation
HDFS 7950	<u>HDFS 7950 : Internship in Child Life</u>	CHS	Course Change
HUSC 7910	<u>HUSC 7910 : CHS Study Abroad at AU in Italy Program Administration Practicum</u>	CHS	Course Change
NATR 6350	<u>NATR 6350 7350 : Water Resource Management and Policy</u>	SFWS	Course Change
PYPD 9290	<u>PYPD 9290 : Integrated Learning Experience X</u>	HSOP	Course Change
VBMS 7200	<u>VBMS 7200 : Veterinary Electrodiagnostic Testing</u>	VMED	New Course
VBMS 7760	<u>VBMS 7760 : Advanced Veterinary Neurosurgery</u>	VMED	Course Change
VMED 9802	<u>VMED 9802 : Data Analysis of Epidemiological Studies</u>	VMED	New Course
VMED 9890	<u>VMED 9890 : Genomics and Precision Medicine</u>	VMED	New Course
ACCT-GCRT	<u>ACCT-GCRT : GCRT Accountancy</u>	HCOB	Program Revision
CMAG-Med	<u>CMAG-OTHER : MEd (Alternative Certification) Mathematics Education</u>	COE	Program Revision
MSC-GCRT	<u>MSC-GCRT : Manufacturing Systems Certificate</u>	SGCOE	New Certificate
SLHS-MS	<u>SLHS-MS : MS Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences</u>	CLA	Program Revision

OTHER ITEMS:

- None.

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Schedule for next meetings: December 7 (2:00-3:30), January 18 (2:00-3:30), February 8 (2:00-3:30), March 8 (2:00-3:30), April 5 (2:00-3:30), May 3 (2:00-3:30).