Graduate Curriculum Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2022
UC 221

Members Present: Josh Butler, Amanda Benzin, Cynthia Chovich, Philip Gustafson, Catherine Whiting, Alli Powell, Kathleen Hall (for Erin Donovan), James Perez, Amanda Lavelle, Scott Kessler, Eric Watters

Members Absent: Kyle Stone

Ex-officio members present: Janel Davis, Maggie Bodyfelt

Recording Secretary: Aaron Osborne

Chair Chovich called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

I.  Announcements

A. Chair Chovich reminded all that CIM closed on February 4th. All proposals for next catalog year have been submitted. New proposals will not be able to be submitted to workflow until CIM is reopened. However, you may continue to work on creating new proposals.

B. Chair Chovich announced that the two proposals viewed during this March 2 meeting were the last in the GCC proposal queue for the 2022-2023 catalog year.

II.  Unfinished Business

A. Chair Chovich briefly reviewed the Graduate Certificates, with all certificates aligning with a minimum of two of the Masters/Doctoral Student Learning Outcomes. She clarified that it would be two outcomes from either two Masters Student Learning Outcomes or two Doctoral Student Learning Outcomes based on certificate level, not mixed and matched. Gustafson moved to approve and adopt the proposed wording and Hall seconded. The motion passed.

1. Proposed wording for Graduate Certificates
a. Graduate Certificates will, at a minimum, align with either two Masters Student Learning Outcomes or two Doctoral Student Learning Outcomes, depending on certificate level. Certificates may choose to use more than two Student Learning Outcomes, if desired.

B. Chair Chovich explained that the current wording for student teaching required 12 credit hours for both undergraduate and graduate-level student teachers. The new wording would require 12 credit hours for undergraduate still but change the graduate credit hours to 9. Additionally, the new wording would change the undergraduate 12-credit hour course to 12 credit hour semester as some programs use more than one course to come to that 12 credit hours. Butler motioned and Watters seconded to vote on the changes. The motion passed.

a. Proposed changes:
   
i. The language originally said a 12-credit hour course. However, we have several programs where the students are actually taking 2 courses that add up to 12 credit hours. We are changing “course” to “semester” to more accurately reflect what is actually in place.

   ii. Add the distinction that 12 credit hours is for undergraduates in student teaching and that 9 credit hours is for graduate students in student teaching. See this change in 2 places below.

"For Student Teaching, this should be a 12-credit hour semester for undergraduate or a 9-credit hour course for graduate. Per the Curriculum Policies and Procedures Manual, a “Student must complete at least 600 clock hours over at least 75 days for 12 credit hours (undergraduate) or 9 credit hours (graduate).” This results in 40 contact hours per week, which should be entered in the Field/Studio/Other contact hour field below. Additionally, a minimum of 3,000 student engagement per credit hour must be entered below. For preparation minutes, enter a sufficient number of minutes to facilitate student preparation for classes/student teaching and exit requirements."

III. Curriculum Proposals
IV. New Business

A. Health Sciences may be proposing a new post-master’s track for the DNP next catalog year (Fall of 2024) because there currently is no track available at CMU.

B. Chair Chovich asked for nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Graduate Curriculum Committee for next academic year. With no recommendations, Chair Chovich announced that she and Vice-Chair Benzin would be happy to serve again. Butler motioned and Kessler seconded that the committee vote to elect Chair Chovich and Vice-Chair Benzin to their current committee positions for the next academic year. The motion passed.

C. Chair Chovich announced that the GCC queue for the 2022-2023 catalog year was complete and that the committee would likely not meet again until next fall.

D. Watters reminded the committee that there was call for some need to make minor changes to proposals while the catalog was being updated, and that the committee had previously passed a motion to allow the executive committee members to make minor changes. Watters motioned and Butler seconded that this be allowed again for this catalog year. The motion passed.

V. Information Items

A. There were none.

Adjournment:

With no objections from the committee, Chair Chovich adjourned the meeting at 4:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by Aaron Osborne, March 2, 2021.
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The following is a summary: Additional information can be found on the individual curriculum proposals.

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GCC Discussion: Minor edits to the program overview and updated the learning outcomes for the program. No other discussion.

Change Item Description
List all proposed changes to the program:

Departmental Justification
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