The University of Kansas
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES
September 10, 2015, 11:00AM
STRONG HALL – ROOM 210

Members Present: Brian Ackley, Jane Barnette, Justin Blumenstiel, Paula Fite, Peter Ojiambo, Ric Steele, Nina Vyatkina, Anthony Walton, Alesia Woszidlo, Christina Amaro (Graduate Student), Carmen Torre Perez (Graduate Student)

Others in attendance: Kristine Latta (COGA), Emily Dodson (COGA), Jim Mielke (ex-officio) and Mark Jakubauskas (Director, Environmental Assessment Graduate Program)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steele at 11:05 a.m.

Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the August 27, 2015, minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

Informational Items
(Dr. Kristine Latta, reporting)

Subcommittee chairs were announced. Alesia Woszidlo is chair of the Policies and Student Petitions (PSP) Subcommittee; Brian Ackley is chair of the Proposals, Awards, and Scholarships (PAS) Subcommittee; and Justin Blumenstiel is chair of the Program and Curricular Changes (PCC) Subcommittee.

Report of the Program and Curricular Changes (PCC) Subcommittee
(Dr. Justin Blumenstiel, reporting)

A motion was made and seconded to approve all EVRN, SLAV, and THR curricular changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

A. Curricular Changes:

1. New courses: ENVR 771, EVRN 772, EVRN 773, EVRN 774, EVRN 775, EVRN 776
2. Course changes: SLAV 999, THR 802

Dr. Steele introduced Dr. Jakubauskas, who responded on behalf of EVRN to questions from the CGS.
A motion was made and seconded to table the ENGL curricular change pending further clarification from the department. The Committee requested clarification on two aspects of the proposed ENGL curricular change: 1) Clarification on the number of times the course can be repeated. 2) Specification about the maximum number of credits a student can earn in this course and the maximum number of these hours that can be applied to the degree. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Course changes: ENGL 896 (tabled)**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Environmental Assessment, Graduate Certificate program change. The motion was approved unanimously.

**B. Program Changes:**

1. Environmental Assessment, Graduate Certificate

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Steele at 11:35 a.m.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is **Thursday, September 24, 2015, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall.**

*Respectfully submitted by Emily Dodson, COGA*