The University of Kansas  
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences  
COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES  

MINUTES  
October 22, 2015, 11:00AM  
STRONG HALL – ROOM 210

Members Present: Brian Ackley, Justin Blumenstiel, Paula Fite, Marni Kessler, Peter Ojiambo, Ric Steele (Chair), Nina Vyatkina, Anthony Walton, Alesia Woszidlo, Christina Amaro (Graduate Student)

Others in attendance: Kristine Latta (COGA), Cindy Lynn (COGA), and Jim Mielke (ex-officio)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steele at 11:04 a.m.

Minutes  
A motion was made and seconded to approve the October 8, 2015, minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

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

A motion was made and seconded to approve all curricular changes with a friendly amendment to CLP 799. The motion was approved unanimously.

CLP 799  PROSEMINAR IN CHILD LANGUAGE (2)  
A review and discussion of current issues in children's language acquisition. This course is required for T32 trainees and offered under other affiliated departments. May be repeated for credit. Students are graded S/U. SEM

A. Curricular Changes:

1. NEW COURSES:  
   ATMO 999, CLP 799, CLP 874, CLP 876, CLP 880, CLP 898, CLP 899, CLP 965, CLP 974, CLP 975, CLP 998, CLP 999, PSYC 848, PSYC 849

2. COURSE CHANGES:  
   BIOL 772, PSYC 832, PSYC 833, PSYC 834, PSYC 949, WGSS 804

3. COURSE DEACTIVATIONS:  
   THR 711, THR 713

B. Program Changes for Approval  
a. Change to existing Degree:  
   REL-MA: Religious Studies, MA
A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed changes to the Religious Studies, MA with a friendly amendment to item 1. (f). The motion was approved unanimously.

1. (f) A total of at least 18 (thesis) or 21 (non-thesis) graduate credit hours in Religious Studies, including (a)–(e) above, plus electives if applicable. Remaining hours may, if the student desires, be taken outside of the department.

**Informational Item**
(Dr. Kristine Latta, reporting)

Dr. Latta reported the approval of the department name change from Geography to Geography and Atmospheric Science.

**New Business**
(Dr. Kristine Latta, reporting)

Dr. Latta reported that this year’s Dean’s Charges to CUSA included a request for recommendations on streamlining of curriculum approval procedures for simple course changes. CUSA will consultation with CGS on recommendations prior to submitting these to the Dean. Dr. Latta will report back to CGS regarding progress and processes that may be considered.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Steele at 12:04 p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is **Thursday, November 5, 2015, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall.**

*Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Lynn, COGA*