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

MINUTES  
February 13, 2014, 11:00AM  
STRONG HALL – ROOM 210

Members Present: Brian Ackley, Byron Caminero-Santangelo, Peter Grund, Marni Kessler, ChangHwan Kim, Milena Stanislavova (Chair), Alesia Woszidlo, Abbie Hodgson (Graduate Student)

Others in attendance: Mike Wuthrich (GIST), Kristine Latta (COGA), Cindy Lynn (COGA), Jim Mielke (ex-officio) and Emily Dodson (GA, COGA)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Stanislavova at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes  
A motion was made and seconded to approve the December 12, 2013 minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

Report of the Proposals, Awards, and Scholarships (PAS) Subcommittee  
(Dr. Kristine Latta reporting)

The subcommittee reviewed award recommendations for the Kate Stephens Fellowship and the Wilber Scholarship. The nomination process for these awards was moved up in order for departments to be able to use the awards for recruitment. Departments were very supportive of the earlier nomination timeline as evidenced by the significant increase in nominations as compared to last year.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the subcommittee’s award recommendations. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Graduate Certificate in Global and International Studies proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Latta introduced Dr. Wuthrich, who responded on behalf of GIST to questions from the CGS regarding the Global and International Studies proposed new certificate.

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

A. Program Changes:
A motion was made and seconded to approve the CCPP catalog copy for admissions. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the CHEM, MS program change. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the CHEM, PhD program change. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the ISP, MA new language to clarify the previously approved degree requirement. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the PUAD, MPA catalog copy for admissions. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to table the FREN, PhD program change for further clarification of the comprehensive exam sequence. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to table the PUAD, PhD program change for further clarification. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. Curricular Changes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendation from the subcommittee for curricular changes to the following courses:

1. New Courses: CEAS 802, CHEM 701, POLS 704, WGSS 999

2. Course Changes: EVRN 720, PUAD 825, PUAD 834, PUAD 835, PUAD 837, PUAD 841, PUAD 845, PUAD 853, SLAV 740

**Old Business**
(Dr. Kristine Latta reporting)

Dr. Latta updated CGS confirming that the new fast track for the Philosophy MA, the MUSE graduate certificate program, and the REES graduate certificate program all have received final approval.

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

Dr. Latta noted that there are a few departments submitting changes to their admissions criteria via the catalog copy—i.e., without being reviewed as program changes by CGS/CAC. There is no University policy requiring that Admissions criteria be reviewed by governance. Rather, this is left to the discretion of the School/College. Therefore, in an effort to maintain consistency in
the College without overburdening CGS/CAC, COGA will observe the following protocol: Any changes to admissions that are deemed minor and consistent with other departments' practices will not require CGS/CAC review. Any admissions changes that constitute substantial deviations from past practice will be submitted to CGS/CAC for faculty review.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Stanislavova at 12:30 p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is **Thursday, February 27, 2014, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall.**

*Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Lynn, COGA*