The University of Kansas
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES
September 22, 2016, 11:00AM
STRONG HALL – ROOM 210

Members Present: Christina Amaro, Justin Blumenstiel, Robert Hurst, Mark Joslyn, Dave Mechem, Peter Ojiambo, Armin Schulz, Eric Vernberg, Tony Walton

Others in attendance: Kristine Latta (COGA), Rachel Schwien (COGA), Cecile Accilien (CLACS), Santa Arias (CLACS), Milena Stanaislavova (MATH)

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Blumenstiel at 11:02 a.m.

Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 8, 2016, minutes of the Committee on Graduate Studies, as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consent Agenda
A motion was made and seconded to approve the items listed on the consent agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

The consent agenda included the following:

A. Curricular Changes:
   1. Course Changes: ENGL 751, ENGL 752, ENGL 753
   2. Course Deactivations: DANC 740, DANC 742, DANC 780

B. Program Changes
   1. Change to Existing Programs: GEOG-PhD: Atmospheric Science, PhD,
      PSYC-PhD: Clinical Child Psychology, PhD

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

A motion was made and seconded to approve the POLS curricular change. The motion was approved unanimously.

A. Curricular Changes:
   1. New courses: POLS 782
A motion was made and seconded to approve the program changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

A. Program Changes:

      HA-PhD: History of Art, PhD

Report of the Proposals, Awards, and Scholarships (PAS) Subcommittee
(Dr. Peter Ojiambo, reporting)

The Graduate Certificate in Latin American & Caribbean studies proposal was presented with department representatives available for questions.

- A friendly amendment to the degree requirements was requested to include the sentence “Three options are available for students: the general Latin American & Caribbean Studies Certificate, or specialized tracks in Central American & Mexican Studies or Brazilian Studies.”.
- A friendly amendment to the degree requirements was requested to replace “an advisor” with “the director of Graduate Studies”.

The Graduate Certificate in Applied Mathematics proposal was presented with department representative available for questions.

- A friendly amendment to the degree requirements as requested to include the sentence “Other courses (600 level or above) may be substituted with the approval of the Director of graduate studies”.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Latin American & Caribbean Studies and Applied Mathematics certificate proposals as amended. The motion was approved unanimously.

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

Upcoming Meetings

The next meeting of the Committee on Graduate Studies is Thursday, October 13, 2016, 11:00 a.m., 210 Strong Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Rachel Schwien, COGA