

# College of Education

## 1 PM GPC Convenes

### Zoom Meeting

12:30 – Sub Committees - (Sub-Committee Chairs will announce meeting rooms.)  
pm COE GPC

#### **Roll call, convening, and announcements**

A Graduate Program Curriculum meeting of the College of Education was held on August 15, 2024. It began at 1:04 PM and was presided over by Elizabeth Villares Sacks, with Elizabeth also recording the meeting minutes.

#### **Attendees:** Voting members in attendance

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- o Lisa Finnegan, Special Education
- o Elizabeth Villares Sacks, Chair, Subcommittee Curriculum Committee, Counselor Education
- o Deborah Shepherd, Associate Dean, Academic and Student Services (Ex-officio)

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Department of Curriculum and Instruction changes included revising course numbers to allow doctoral students to take classes as electives and removing prerequisites to ensure master students were completing courses in the appropriate sequence. Approved (3-0) course changes for EDG5705, RED 6351, RED 6546, RED 6548, RED 6836, TSL 5142, TSL 5345, TSL 5440. The master's degree in Educational Psychology change request was also approved (3-0)

It was recommended that someone from the department attend the university meetings to provide context and address any questions that could derail the approval process. University redline changes must be submitted with any request that requires catalog changes.

### **Petitions Subcommittee Report**

Sharon Darling presented the report on student petitions. Two student petitions involving a low GPA and authorization to work up to 30 hours per week were shared for committee approval.

A third petition was brought to the full committee to consider granting a master's degree and an Ed.S. post-graduation. The student had completed all degree requirements but did not register for the dual degree before graduation. The Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling licensure board would not accept the Ed.S. Counseling degree but instead required a master's degree in counseling. The student has completed all requirements for both degrees, and there would be no additional courses for her to complete that would result in a new master's degree in counseling.

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**Motion to accept Curriculum Changes:** Moved by Elizabeth Villares Sacks and seconded to approve the sub-curriculum committee recommendations. The motion passed (6-0).

**Motion to accept Student Petitions for low GPA and Work authorization:** Moved by Sharon Darling and seconded to approve the student petition sub-committee recommendations. The motion passed (6-0).

**Motion to accept Student Petition for Program Degree:** Moved by Elizabeth Villares Sacks and Lisa Finnegan seconded to approve adding a master's degree to the student's Ed.S. petition. The motion passed (6-0).

**Motion to elect Graduate Programs Committee Chair:** Moved by Sharon Darling and Sabrina Sembianti seconded to elect Elizabeth Villares Sacks as chair. The motion passed (6-0).

**Motion to elect Student Petitions Sub-Committee Chair:** Moved by Elizabeth Villares Sacks and Lisa Finnegan seconded to elect Sharon Darling as chair. The motion passed (6-0).

**Motion to elect Curriculum Sub-Committee Chair:** Moved by Sharon Darling and Sabrina Sembianti seconded to elect Elizabeth Villares Sacks as chair. The motion passed (6-0).

#### **Announcements**

1. University committee meetings begin next week. The university changed its meeting dates, which pushed the CoE calendar back.

#### **Adjournment**

Sabrina Sembianti moved that the meeting be adjourned, which was agreed upon at 1:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Villares Sacks, Ph.D.  
Approved with amendments on September 11, 2024.