

University Graduate Programs Committee (Via Zoom)
January 27, 2021
Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting called to order by GPC Chair, Christopher Beetle at 2:01 pm.
- II. The minutes from the last GPC meeting on December 9th were unanimously approved.
- III. Announcements
 - A. No announcements from Chair or any of the membership.
- IV. The below items/curriculum proposals were reviewed:

New Combined Degree Program	BS in Nursing/MS in Bioengineering	Engineering	N/A	A/C
Program Change	MS in Data Science and Analytics	Engineering	N/A	

Engineering

- a. The New Combined Degree Program proposal for the BS in Nursing/MS in Artificial Intelligence was approved unanimously by the committee contingent on making the flight plan changes to the catalog entry to differentiate this from the standard BSN.
- b. The New Combined Degree Program proposal for the BS in Nursing/MS in Bioengineering was approved unanimously by the committee contingent on making the flight plan changes to the catalog entry to differentiate this from the standard BSN.
- c. The Program Change for the MS in Data Science and Analytics was approved unanimously by the committee.

The following concerns were raised concerning the tow (2) New Combined Degree Programs:

- A. Jan Macko: Will students still be able to take the pre-reqs if they decide to do this program at a later date?
 1. What about the 9 Graduate level credits? Will they still be able to take these during their Undergraduate degree program?
 2. Bob Stackman: How do the 9 Graduate credits fit into the flight plan? Does this really fit the typical Combined Degree parameters? 3/2 or 4/1?
 3. Brian Hodge: Financial Aid may be an issue with this program as it will not cover any courses not applicable to the Nursing degree.
- B. Mihaela Cardei: Neither Nursing nor Engineering feel this will be an issue for students.
 1. Through early, and often, advising with students they believe that the students will be able to adapt to this program.

Registrar

- a. The Program Change for the Inactive Course Review was approved unanimously by the committee contingent on verification from College of Education that TCHR courses should, in fact, be cancelled.

V.

Dr. Robert Stackman, Graduate College Dean

- A. Attendance Verification Update
 1. This task is being deferred until a more comprehensive method can be determined.
- B. Discussion of Graduate College Open Forum (Coffee with the Dean?)
 1. This would be a reworking of/replacement for GADC.
 2. Target audience would be Program Directors & Faculty
 3. This would be an opportunity for input

A. No discussion items brought up.

VII. Meeting adjourned by Christopher Beetle, GPC Chair, at 3:05 p.m.

The next Graduate Programs Committee meeting is February 24, 2021.