

## GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, November 10, 2022 - 3:30 p.m. – CMCT 101

**PRESENT:** Megan Adkins, Kazuma Akehi, John Bauer, Michelle Beissel Heath, Matt Bjornsen, Ngan Chau, Anne Foradori, Martonia Gaskill, Grace Mims, Austin Nuxoll, Whitney Schneider-Cline, Chris Steinke, Laurinda Weisse, Jason Baker, Tawny Moore, and Jada Ruff

**ABSENT:** Ben Brachle, Michelle Warren, and Mallory Wetherell (on sabbatical)

### I. Approval of the October 13, 2022 Minutes – approved via email

### II. Graduate Dean's Report – Adkins led the meeting as Ellis was unavailable.

#### A. *UNK on the Bricks*

This is an effort to connect with downtown and is the last event this year. November's theme is No Shave November and Cancer Awareness and will be held Tuesday, November 29 at 5:30 pm at Nest:Space. This event will also integrate the Daily Mile with a short walk around the downtown area to promote physical activity. Nathan Tye will be talking about the downtown buildings during the walk. There will be a competition for No Shave November with voting on Facebook. Jada Ruff is the contact person for this event.

#### B. *MAGS*

MAGS (Midwest Association of Graduate Schools) 2023 Excellence in Teaching Award is due January 20, 2023 and recognizes the importance of excellence in teaching and mentoring. Akehi mentioned that part of the submission is a video of the student teaching and encouraged the council to start soon to get that complete before the break. The office of Graduate Studies & Academic Outreach will provide video support if needed. Please contact our office for assistance.

#### C. *Update – Public History*

The proposed new Public History master's program has been approved by the EGC.

#### D. *GA Announcements*

Adkins informed the council that the GA Position Request Form will be sent out soon and will be due before winter break. Departments will need to complete this form for any GA position that will be vacant after the spring semester and are requesting to keep that position in the department for the fall of 2023. On another note, Graduate Assistants will complete the fall semester on Thursday, December 15 and return on Monday, January 23 when classes resume.

#### E. *New Lecturer Form*

There is a new lecturer form on the Graduate Studies & Academic Outreach website under "Faculty Resources." Adkins asked the council to convey this information to your departments.

#### F. *Graduate Review Editorial Board*

Adkins explained that they are forming an Editorial Board for the Graduate Review and are in need of members from English and the Sciences as well as students. Please contact Adkins if you or one of your colleagues would like to serve.

#### G. *DEI*

Adkins thanked the members who have volunteered to be on the DEI committee and additional members are still needed.

**III. Committee Reports** – Adkins expressed her appreciation to all the committees for their hard work.

A. Policy & Planning Committee – Bauer stated the committee is discussing the resource guide with hopes for a draft by the December meeting. The GPC guideline draft is being worked on as well. There will be a meeting for all the GPCs after Thanksgiving.

B. Academic Programs Committee –  
For Graduate Council Action – item was tabled.

Program Name	Nature of Request	Recommendation
Public Communication- MA of Public Communication	Increase broad appeal. Course restrictions due to P courses and undergraduate student’s inability to take the course at the grad and undergrad level.	Tabled

For Graduate Council Information – the following courses have been approved by Committee II.

Course Name	Nature of Request	Comment(s)
ART 803: Art Education Inquiry: Research Methods	Course Change Request	Approve
ART 805P: History of the 19th Century Art	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 830: Art Education Processes: Glass Fusing	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 840P: Special Problems in Art History	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 843P: Independent Study in Art	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 844: History, Theories and Philosophies of Art Education	Course Change Request-Course Description Only	Approve
ART 845: Art & Culturally Responsive Teaching	Course Change Request – course title change	Approve
ART 846: Art Education & Social Emotional Learning	Course Change Request	Approve
ART 848: Differentiated Instruction in Art	Course Change Request – update course title and description	Approve
ART 850A: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 850B: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 850C: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 850D: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 850E: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 850F: Painting	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 855: Art Education in American Culture	Course Change Request- Discontinued	Approve
ART 865: Directed Reading	Course Change Request- Discontinued	Approve
ART 870A: Independent Study	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 870B: Independent Study	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 870D: Independent Study	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
ART 875P: Cultural Studies Through Art	Course Change Request- Discontinued	Approve
ART 890: PK-12 Art Curriculum & Assessment Design	Course Change Request- New Course Proposal	Approve
ART 895: Art Education Inquiry: Research Seminar	Course Change Request	Approve
CDIS 820P: Research in Communication Disorders	Course Change Request – should be listed as “P” course	Approve

CDIS 830P: Pediatric Swallowing Disorders	Course Change Request – prereqs no longer required	Approve
CDIS 857: Dysphagia	Course Change Request	Approve
CDIS 893P: Internship (Schools for NE Teacher Certification)	Course Change Request – adding another internship	Approve
CDIS 897: Internship (Schools out-of-state)	Course Change Request- New Course Proposal	Approve
CSIT 805P: Compiler Construction	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
CSIT 826P: Computer Architecture	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
CSIT 828P: Data Communications and Distributed Processing	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
CSIT 893P: Directed Readings in Computer Science/Technology	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
CSIT 895P: Independent Study in Computer Science/Information Technology	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
CYBR 858P: Computer Security	Course Change Request-Prereq Change Only	Approve
CYBR 879P: Cyber Risk and Threat Modeling	Course Change Request- Prereq Change Only	Approve
ENG 898: the Art of Adaptation	Course Change Request- New Course Proposal	Approve
MIS 881P: Systems Analysis and Design II	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
SPCH 846: Introduction to Communication Research	Course Change Request- New Course Proposal	Approve
SPCH 851P: Leadership Communication	Course Change Request- Course Description Only	Approve
SPCH 899: Applied Communication Theory	Course Change Request – course description and title change	Approve
TE 853B: Improvement of Instruction in Mathematics Grades PK-8	Course Change Request – course title, description change and updated syllabus	Approve
STAT 841P: Probability and Statistics	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
STAT 842P: Mathematical Statistics	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
STAT 881: Statistical Inference I	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
STAT 882: Statistical Inference II	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
MATH 840P: Linear Algebra	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
MATH 841: Topics in Abstract Algebra for Secondary Teachers	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
MATH 852: Foundations of Calculus	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
MATH 860P: Advanced Calculus I	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve
MATH 870P: Teaching of Secondary Mathematics	Course Change Request-Dormant	Approve

- C. Faculty & Student Affairs Committee – Akehi reported the committee is working on thesis awards, reviewing guidelines for graduate reviews, Graduate Student of the Year Award, 3MT, and faculty mentor awards.

#### IV. Other Business

GPC term limits and consecutive term limits were discussed. Adkins stated that the Graduate Student Association was now official and there will be a kick-off in the spring to recruit members. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janna Shanno