

Graduate Council Meeting September 23, 2021

Present: Professors: Badovinac, Beck, Cwiertny, Doucette, Forbes, Gardner, Greyser, Hoffman, Hribar, Kang, O'Shaughnessy, Qian; Graduate Students: Harper, Post, Sells, Waldstein; Graduate College Personnel: Arbisi-Kelm, Danger, McKibben, Sparks, Teitle, Varga.

Absent: Professors: Van Otterloo; Graduate College Personnel: Campo, Thein

The meeting was called to order by Associate Dean Varga @ 08:17 AM.

1. Announcements

Associate Dean Varga welcomed council members and explained he would lead today's meeting as Dean Thein has a conflict.

Graduate Student Senate (GSS) President Waldstein announced that nearly all of the open committees have now been filled with only one seat vacant for the Graduate Student Employment Committee (GSEC). The Graduate & Professional Student Government (GPSG) approved their budget and approved including a sixth GSS delegate. GSS is the largest voting delegation in GPSP, a reflection of GSS being the largest constituent group in GPSP.

2. September 2, 2021, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Proposal to create a new subprogram, Entry into Practice, for the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program.

Associate Dean Varga introduced the proposers Associate Dean Daack-Hirsch and Renee Lepine who were available to address questions or concerns regarding the proposal. After discussion a motion was made and seconded. The vote to advance the proposal was approved unanimously.

4. Proposal to create online learning center for the Master of Science (MS) in Business Analytics program.

Associate Dean Varga introduced the proposers Associate Dean Blackhurst and Assistant Dean Tomkins who were available to address questions or concerns regarding the proposal. After discussion a motion was made and seconded. The vote to advance the proposal was approved unanimously.

5. New Business from Graduate Council.

Several faculty members expressed concern regarding the vulnerability of teaching assistants (TAs). They request a discussion of scenarios with possible first amendment implication and in which TAs may feel harassed. Associate Dean Varga will relay Council's request to Dean Thein.

The meeting was adjourned at 09:41 AM.