

Graduate Council – Items of Interest

April 28, 2022 Meeting (approved notes)

- No motions were brought to the floor for a vote.
- No committee reports
- Election of Phyllis Thompson of the College of Social Work as the Graduate Council Chair-elect

September 1, 2022 Meeting (approved notes)

- No motions were brought to the floor for a vote.
- Dean Thompson remarks: “As an arm of the Faculty Senate, the Graduate Council serves an important role in shared governance. The Council has 4 standing committees (Curriculum, Academic Policy, Student/Faculty Research Awards, and Appeals).”
- December 19 is the final deadline to get any curricular changes in to the Fall 2023 Graduate Catalog.

September 29, 2022 Meeting (approved notes)

- No motions were brought to the floor for a vote.
- Dean Thompson report
 - Carl Collins who joined us as Associate Dean and Director of Graduate Admissions
 - Graduate hooding on December 16 at 3 pm
 - 3-minute thesis will be live this spring
 - [Student-faculty research awards application](#) process now open
 - Department recruiting awards (up to \$2,000) can now be proposed
- George Fields, GSS President report
 - Striving to increase supports for international students
 - Working with administration to address graduate food and house insecurity
 - Greater GSS representation across a wide variety of university groups
- Laurie L. Meschke, Chair of Graduate Council, report
 - Encouraged Graduate Council members to formalize their process for disseminating the Graduate Council information to their college and associated departments
 - Emphasized renewed importance of curriculum review in light of the new budget model from departments to the Faculty Senate – with emphasis on Graduate Council and its Curriculum Committee

November 3, 2022 Meeting (informational notes, not yet approved by Graduate Council)

Academic Policy Committee (APC) reviewed a suggested policy change regarding transcripts submitted with graduate school application with intention of supporting diversity and inclusion. This was left as a discussion item and feedback from faculty will be solicited by APC committee members.

Graduate Council approved curricular changes associated with the following:

HERBERT COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

1. Course changes: added 5 courses, revised 0 courses, dropped 0 courses
2. Program changes: Add new major and degree (pending THEC approval): Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communication, PhD

HASLAM COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

1. Course changes: added 14 courses, revised 10 courses, dropped 0 courses
2. Program changes: Add new major and degree (pending THEC approval): Business Cybersecurity, MS

COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

1. Course changes: added 3 courses, revised 0 courses, dropped 1 course
2. Program changes:
 - a) Revised Communication and Information Major, MS. Revised required courses because of the dropping of the CCI 540 course
 - b) Add new certificate: School Librarianship

COLLEGE OF LAW

1. Course changes: added 0 courses, revised 2 courses, dropped 0 courses
2. Program changes: Revised requirements to the Law Major, JD