

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY  
**Graduate Council Report to the Faculty Senate**  
March 2016

The Wright State University Graduate Council met on March 24, 2016. Several of its standing committees met prior to that date.

**I. REPORT OF THE DEAN**

Carnegie Classification Update: Dr. Fyffe has been in conversation with several offices on campus who provide data in annual reports to various outside agencies. The Carnegie administrators (at IU) gather information from these third party agencies (NSF, for example). Reports submitted over the past five years are under review to check for data accuracy and completeness. Any discrepancies will be sent to the appropriate reporting agency.

**II. REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE DEAN**

Graduate Council election information was sent to each of the colleges and schools a couple of weeks ago. Results should be sent to the Graduate School before the end of spring semester.

Reminder, the last Graduate Council meeting of the academic year is April 21 at 2 p.m. The meeting will be held in E163 SU instead of E156 SU.

Upcoming Events:

Friday, April 1 – Graduate Program Directors Workshop, 12:00-2:00 p.m., E156 SU

Wednesday, April 13 – Graduate Student Excellence Awards Program, 4:00 p.m., Apollo Room

Friday, April 15 – Research Celebration, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Apollo Room

The Graduate School will be hosting Graduate Student Orientation for the start of Summer Semester. Three sessions will be held in the first week of May (the week between Spring and Summer semesters) and one evening session will be offered during the first week of summer classes. Dates and registration information are available on the Grad School website. Please encourage new students to attend.

The Graduate School will also be offering a number of orientation sessions in August for Fall Semester. Opportunities to coordinate with program-specific orientations will be explored in the coming weeks.

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Since the last Graduate Council meeting, the Student Affairs Committee met to select the first round recipients of the Graduate Council Scholar fellowships. Four offers were made; one student accepted and one declined. One additional offer was then made and accepted. Two offers are pending.

The Student Affairs Committee will be meeting on April 1 to review applications for the second round of Graduate Council Scholars and for the Wright Fellows. Four offers will be made for Grad Council Scholars and four for Wright Fellows.

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Membership Committee reported on the graduate faculty members approved.

### **POLICIES COMMITTEE**

The Policies Committee recommended, and the Graduate Council approved, the following policy revisions:

#### ***1.12 Conditional Degree Status***

*Students who have an undergraduate grade point average criterion less than that required for regular status (see sec. 1.11) and/or need to complete prerequisite coursework may be admitted in conditional status. Conditionally admitted students must achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduate grade point average the term in which they complete twelve or more quarter hours or nine or more semester hours since being admitted in this status. Students who have achieved the 3.0 grade point requirement, have completed prerequisite courses, and have the approval of their graduate program will automatically be granted regular degree status. Graduate credit earned while in this status will apply toward degree requirements. Students in this category who do not meet the 3.0 grade point average requirement within the required time period will be ~~dismissed~~ subject to dismissal from the Graduate School. Masters degree students subject to dismissal under this policy may petition subject to the rules and procedures found in Policy 7.35 in this manual. Post-masters and doctoral students subject to dismissal from Conditional status may petition to their graduate program via the Graduate School.*

#### ***Policy 1.73 (current):***

*Students who enter the LEAP program and pass LEAP Level 4 are exempt from the requirement to take the TOEFL or IELTS.*

#### ***Revision to the above section of Policy 1.73:***

*The requirement to provide a TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE score will be waived for students who pass 1) all Level 4 LEAP courses with a minimum score of 90% and 2) one WSU graduate course with a minimum grade of B.*

Both graduate policy recommendations were submitted to Provost Sudkamp for his review.

### **CURRICULUM COMMITTEE A**

The Curriculum Committee A recommended, and the Graduate Council approved, the following new courses, course modifications, and program of study modifications:

**New Course Requests:** CS 7210, PTX 8060, PTX 8061, and PTX 8080

**Course Modifications:** BMB 7020 to BMB 6020, NUR 6902, NUR 7903, and NUR 8202

**Program of Study Modifications:**

1. M.S. Nursing: School Nurse
2. Certificate: School Nurse

**CURRICULUM COMMITTEE B**

The Curriculum Committee B recommended, and the Graduate Council approved, the following new courses and new certificates:

**New Course Requests:** ABS 7230, CHI 5500, CHI 6030, LA 6100, MIS 7810, PLS 6820, PLS 6821, PLS 6822, PLS 6823, PLS 6824, and PLS 6825

**New Certificates:**

1. Diversity and Social Inequality
2. Teaching College History

The new certificates in Diversity & Social Inequality and Teaching College History were submitted to Provost Sudkamp for his review.

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**Graduate Council Attendance 03/24/2016:**

*Voting Members:*

BSoM: Andrew Froehle, Miryoung Lee, John McAlearney  
CEHS: Michele Fleming, Sharon Heilmann, Mindy McNutt  
CECS: James Menart, Michael Raymer  
CoLA: Liam Anderson, Laura Luehrmann, Barry Milligan  
CoNH: Marie Bashaw, Tracy Brewer  
CoSM: Greg Kozlowski, Scott Watamaniuk  
RSCoB: Kevin Duffy, Anand Jeyaraj, Zdravka Todorova  
SoPP: Janeece Warfield

*Non-Voting Ex-Officio Members:*

Bill Ayres (chair), Frank Ciarallo, Herb Dregalla, Robert Fyffe, Erika Gilles (scribe), and Mark Mamrack.

*Other Attendees:* Marian Brainerd and Amanda Steele-Johnson

**Revision to Policy 1.12**  
**Graduate Policies Committee**  
**17 March 2016**

Proposed revision to Policy 1.12 to match probation and dismissal procedures outlined in Policy 7.35 (as approved by Graduate Policies Committee)

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