

## **Graduate Council Minutes**

November 22, 2023

**Present:** Benner, Chorpensing, George, Hendricks, Holz, Limbu, Lubitow, Nadeau, Randol, Rissi, Wern, Ozioko, Woods, Morris, Hanson, Holmes, Treece

**Absent:** Bremmer, Hackett, Sandberg, Wooster

**Guest:** Holly Lawson, Special Education

### **Agenda**

#### **Minutes from November 8 meeting**

#### **Discussion: Graduate Student Mental Health**

#### **Consent Agenda**

##### **College of Liberal Arts and Sciences**

- ANTH 422/522 Tribal Sovereignty and Policy, 4 credits - drop course
- ANTH 428/528 Political Anthropology, 4 credits - drop course
- ANTH 430/530 Myth, Ritual, and Symbol, 4 credits - drop course
- ANTH 447/547 Advanced Topics in Asian Anthropology - drop course
- ANTH 451/551 History of Archaeology, 4 credits - drop course
- ANTH 464/564 Topics in Northwest Archaeology, 4 credits - drop course

- GEOG 465/565 Tuscany: Sustainability in City and Country, 4 credits - drop course
- GEOG 495/595 Maps, Models, and GIS, 4 credits - drop course

#### **New Business**

##### **Panel 3**

##### **College of Education**

- CRTGR in Blindness and Low Vision - new certificate program

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.

## **Minutes from November 8 meeting**

*It was moved (Nadeau) and seconded (Holz) to approve the November 8 minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.*

With the approval of the minutes, the consent agenda was passed.

### **Discussion: Graduate Student Mental Health**

Lubitow provided a brief overview of the work the Graduate Council did last year regarding graduate student mental health and the resources the Council gathered. She said the discussion would continue in winter term, including what the Council's role in this issue should be moving forward.

- CRTGR in Blindness and Low Vision - new certificate program

Lawson joined the meeting to discuss the proposal. She said that PSU's program in Visually Impaired Learners, recently renamed Blindness and Low Vision, was one of the few in the U.S. The program is largely online and recruits regionally, including in Alaska and Hawaii. Like many other COE programs, they are taking an existing licensure program and using the same coursework to create a graduate certificate so that students will be eligible for financial aid.

Lawson was excused.

*It was moved (Rissi) and seconded (Chorpenning) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.