Graduate Council Minutes

May 7, 2025

- **Present:** Benner, Brown, Chorpenning, Fuller, Hackett, Holz, Lincoln, Nadeau, Nelson, Pickard, Randol, Rissi, Vasey, Wern, Morris, Hanson, Holmes, Treece
- Absent: Talepasand, Van Heest, Bylenga, Tankersley, Woods

Agenda

Minutes from April 23 meeting

Grad Council meeting modality for 2025-26

New Business

Panel 1

Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science

- MS in Mechanical Engineering change to existing program: increase the limit of 504 credits from 6 to 8
- CS 436/536 Fundamentals of Data Engineering, 3 credits new course
- ECE 527 High-performance Digital Systems, 4 credits change course description, change prereqs
- ECE 627 High-performance Digital Systems, 4 credits change course description, change prereqs

For discussion

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

- BI 430/530 Theory of Recombinant DNA Techniques, 4 credits change course description
- CH 430/530 Advanced Organic Chemistry, 4 credits change course description
- CH 431/531 Advanced Organic Chemistry, 4 credits change course title to Advanced Organic Synthesis, change course description
- MA/MS in Psychology change to existing program: reduce core from 3 courses to 2 courses, add optional course for completing core, increase electives by one course

Panel 3

School of Public Health

• MS in Biostatistics - change to existing program: change core requirement, remove comp exam requirement, add courses to elective list

- BSTA 551 Statistical Inference I, 3 credits change course title to Theory of Statistical Inference, change course description, change credit hours from 3 to 4
- BSTA 535 Biostatistics Capstone, 3 credits new course
- PhD in Epidemiology change to existing program: revise core requirements and electives
- PhD in Community Health change to existing program: revise program requirements
- PhD in Health Studies and Policy change to existing program: revise program requirements, increase total credits from 103 to 108
- PHE 520 Qualitative Research Design, 3 credits change course description, add 600 level
- PHE 620 Qualitative Research Design, 3 credits new course
- HSMP 660 Contemporary Research in Health Systems and Policy, 3 credits change course number and subject code from HSMP 660 to PUBH 600, change course title to Essentials of Doctoral Training, change course description

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

• CH 445/545 Physical Chemistry Laboratory, 2 credits - change course description

College of Urban and Public Affairs

• USP 476/576 Feeding the City, 4 credits - add 400-level section

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

Minutes from April 23 meeting

It was moved (Vasey) and seconded (Chorpenning) to approve the April 23 minutes as submitted. The motion was approved with 8 in favor, 0 against, and 1 abstention.

Graduate Council meeting modality next year

Randol announced that Graduate Council will meetings will be remote for the 2025-26 academic year.

• MS in Mechanical Engineering - change to existing program: increase the limit of 504 credits from 6 to 8

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Pickard) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

• CS 436/536 Fundamentals of Data Engineering, 3 credits - new course

It was moved (Nelson) and seconded (Pickard) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

- ECE 527 High-performance Digital Systems, 4 credits change course description, change prereqs
- ECE 627 High-performance Digital Systems, 4 credits change course description, change prereqs

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Rissi) to approve these two proposals. The motion was approved unanimously.

• BI 430/530 Theory of Recombinant DNA Techniques, 4 credits - change course description

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Pickard) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

- CH 430/530 Advanced Organic Chemistry, 4 credits change course description
- CH 431/531 Advanced Organic Chemistry, 4 credits change course title to Advanced Organic Synthesis, change course description

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Fuller) to approve these two proposals. The motion was approved unanimously.

• MA/MS in Psychology - change to existing program: reduce core from 3 courses to 2 courses, add optional course for completing core, increase electives by one course

It was moved (Pickard) and seconded (Lincoln) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

- MS in Biostatistics change to existing program: change core requirement, remove comp exam requirement, add courses to elective list
- BSTA 551 Statistical Inference I, 3 credits change course title to Theory of Statistical Inference, change course description, change credit hours from 3 to 4
- BSTA 535 Biostatistics Capstone, 3 credits new course

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Vasey) to approve these three proposals. The motion was approved unanimously.

• PhD in Epidemiology - change to existing program: revise core requirements and electives

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

• PhD in Community Health - change to existing program: revise program requirements

It was moved (Holz) and seconded (Pickard) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

• PhD in Health Studies and Policy - change to existing program: revise program requirements, increase total credits from 103 to 108

It was moved (Pickard) and seconded (Holz) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

- PHE 520 Qualitative Research Design, 3 credits change course description, add 600 level
- PHE 620 Qualitative Research Design, 3 credits new course

It was moved (Vasey) and seconded (Holz) to approve these two proposals. The motion was approved unanimously.

• HSMP 660 Contemporary Research in Health Systems and Policy, 3 credits - change course number and subject code from HSMP 660 to PUBH 600, change course title to Essentials of Doctoral Training, change course description

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

• CH 445/545 Physical Chemistry Laboratory, 2 credits - change course description

It was moved (Holz) and seconded (Pickard) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved unanimously.

• USP 476/576 Feeding the City, 4 credits - add 400-level section

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

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.