Graduate Council Minutes
October 21, 2026

Present: Anderson, Brown, Ferner, Gebhardt, Lincoln, Miller, Pickard, Randol, Reed, Stuart, Talepasand, Wong, Woods, Morris, Hanson, Holmes, Treece

Absent: Davis, Holz

Agenda

Minutes from October 7 meeting

2nd Language requirement for MA/MAT

Consent Agenda

College of Education
- SPED 427/527 IEP and Collaborative Teaming (Secondary), 3 credits - drop course
- SPED 431/531 Families and Advocacy, 3 credits - drop course

New Business

College of Education
- CRTGR in Applied Behavior Analysis - program elimination

Panel 1
College of Education
- CRTGR in Special Education Added Endorsement - change to existing program: drop SPED 516, add SPED 515
- SPED 415/515 Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management (Elementary), 4 credits - change course title to Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management, change course description
- SPED 416/516 Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management (Secondary), 4 credits - drop course

- CI 496/596 Second Language Acquisition and Development for K-12 Educators, 3 credits - change course number and prefix to BBE 538, change course title to Language Development for Multilingual Learners
- ELP 465/565 ELL School Community Relations, 3 credits - change course prefix and number to BBE 564, change course title to School, Community & Family Engagement

- ELP 466/566 Impact of Language and Culture in the Classroom, 3 credits - change course prefix to BBE

Panel 2
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- COMM 419/519 Entertainment-Education, 4 credits - new course
- GEOG 448/548 The Urban Forest, 4 credits - change course description
- WR 484/584 Entrepreneurship in Publishing, 4 credits - new course

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.

It was moved (Brown) and seconded (Anderson) to approve the October 7 minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

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

2nd Language requirement for MA/MAT

Hanson provided an overview of the Graduate School's proposal to eliminate the university-level 2nd language requirement for MA/MAT degrees. She clarified that this was simply an opportunity to provide feedback; this item will return to the Council as a voting item in winter term. There was widespread support for the proposal with members noting it will eliminate confusion that they see with their students.

College of Education
- CRTGR in Applied Behavior Analysis - program elimination

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

- CRTGR in Special Education Added Endorsement - change to existing program: drop SPED 516, add SPED 515
- SPED 415/515 Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management (Elementary), 4 credits - change course title to Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management, change course description
- SPED 416/516 Classroom Assessment, Instruction, and Behavior Management (Secondary), 4 credits - drop course

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

- CI 496/596 Second Language Acquisition and Development for K-12 Educators, 3 credits - change course number and prefix to BBE 538, change course title to Language Development for Multilingual Learners

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

- ELP 465/565 ELL School Community Relations, 3 credits - change course prefix and number to BBE 564, change course title to School, Community & Family Engagement

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

- ELP 466/566 Impact of Language and Culture in the Classroom, 3 credits - change course prefix to BBE

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

- COMM 419/519 Entertainment-Education, 4 credits - new course

It was moved (Anderson) and seconded (Gebhardt) to approve this proposal, but the motion was not acted on. There was considerable discussion about the 400/500 distinction and whether it was sufficient. Wong will take the proposal back to the unit for more details about the course assignments.

- GEOG 448/548 The Urban Forest, 4 credits - change course description

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

- WR 484/584 Entrepreneurship in Publishing, 4 credits - new course

It was moved (Gebhardt) and seconded (Talepasand) to approve this proposal. The motion was approved with 10 in favor, 1 against, and 0 abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.