



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES  
August 28, 2006

The Graduate Council met on Monday, August 28, 2006, at 2:30 p.m. in room 311 of the Byrnes Building with Brian Habing presiding.

**Graduate Council Members Present:** Marianne Bickle, James Buggy, Kenneth Campbell, Christine Ebert, Naomi Farber, Joshua Gold, Gregory Hand, Zach Kelehear, Manton Matthews, William Rivers, \*Christopher Tollefsen, Oggie Trifonov, and Irma Van Scoy.

**Graduate Council Members Absent:** Barry Markovsky, Jim O'Connor, Richard Schulz, and Wendy Valerio.

**Graduate School Representatives Present:** Karen David, Anthony Edwards, and Dale Moore.

**Visitors:** Janice Edwards and Sarah Laditka.

**NOTE:** These minutes will become final on October 11, 2006, if not challenged.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 12, 2006, MINUTES**

The Graduate Council adopted the minutes of June 12, 2006, as presented.

2. **CHAIR'S REMARKS (BRIAN HABING):**

- Welcome to new members
- Overview of duties of the Graduate Council
- Overview of duties of subcommittees
- Election of Naomi Farber as 2006-2007 Vice Chair of Graduate Council.

3. **REPORT OF THE GRADUATE DEAN (CHRIS EBERT):**

- Appreciation to chairs of subcommittees
- Welcome to new members
- Update on the centennial of The Graduate School
- Re-institute graduate faculty meetings
- The Graduate School is in the process of appointing an associate dean
- Overview of NRC Rankings
- Update on the Yardley Research Group and its reports to The Graduate School.

4. **REPORT OF THE HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES, EDUCATION, AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:** JOSHUA GOLD reporting,

**New Course Proposals:**

CRJU 706 Advanced Quantitative Analysis for Criminology and Criminal Justice (3) (Prereq: CRJU 703 and CRJU 705) A detailed treatment of the general linear model, logistic regression analysis, and statistical models for event count data with applications in criminology and criminal justice.

**[Restricted to: Criminology and Criminal Justice Students (Major Codes: 560 and 587) [Effective Term: Spring 2007]**

POLI 786 Comparative Political Institutions (3) Survey of theoretical and empirical work on democratic political institutions.

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

**Course Deletions:**

POLI 726, 730, 743, 744, 750, 751, 769, 787, 788, 789, 820, 833, 835, 840, and 881.

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

**Course Change Proposal:**

FROM:

POLI 780 Comparative Politics (3)

TO:

POLI 780 Theories of Comparative Politics (3)

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

FROM:

POLI 784 Problems in Western Political Systems (3)

TO:

POLI 784 Government and Politics of Europe (3) Proseminar in European politics. Themes include party systems and voting behavior, parliamentary politics, public policy, democratization and privatization in Central and Eastern Europe, and research on the European Union.

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

FROM:

POLI 832 Seminar of the Western Hemisphere (3) Research on the formation of foreign policies and patterns of international relations of the nation states of the Western Hemisphere, to include their association with the United States and with other blocs and forces in world politics.

TO:

POLI 731 Government and Politics of Latin America (3) This course examines the nature of democracy and democratic transitions, the relationship between economic and political development, and the causes and effects of different economic development strategies in Latin America.

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

5. **REPORT OF THE SCIENCE, MATH, AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:** MANTON MATTHEWS reporting.

**Curriculum and Graduate Studies Bulletin Changes:**

- Genetic Counseling (MGN degree program) **[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

- Health Services Policy and Management (Name change of academic majors to reflect department name change) **[Effective Term: Spring 2007]**

**New Course Proposal:**

HGEN 726 Human Developmental Biology II (4) (Prereq: HGEN 725)  
Systems covered include cardiac, vascular, and urogenital. Additional topics include clinical correlates, ultrasound, labor and delivery, infancy, childhood and adolescence.

**[Special Permission: Department] [Effective Term: Spring 2007]**

**Course Change Proposal:**

FROM:

HGEN 725 Human Developmental Biology (3) The process of normal human development and description of the variety and range of deviation that can occur from fertilization through early childhood.

TO:

HGEN 725 Human Developmental Biology I (4) The process of normal human development and basic physiological/anatomical processes of organ systems including embryo, craniofacial, nervous, respiratory, musculoskeletal, and the integumentary systems. Clinical significance and etiologies of human malformations.

**[Effective Term: Fall 2006]**

6. **PETITIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE:** NO REPORT
7. **REPORT OF THE 500/600 LEVEL COURSE COMMITTEE:** ANTHONY EDWARDS reporting.  
NO REPORT
8. **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:** NO REPORT
9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
10. **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - By re-instituting Graduate Faculty meetings there must be a hot issue to discuss to draw members.  
Christine Ebert shared with the Council her plans to constitute a Graduate Directors Advisory Council.
11. **GOOD OF THE ORDER**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**  
The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m..

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Anthony Edwards, Recording Secretary

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Christine Ebert, Secretary

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President Andrew A. Sorensen

Provost Mark P. Becker

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Barbara Blaney, University Registrar

Jodie Morris, Office of the Registrar

Gail Stephens, Office of the Registrar

Thom Harman, University Publications

Dale Moore, Director of Graduate Admissions

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