



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
March 26, 2007

The Graduate Council met on Monday, March 26, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in room 311 of the Byrnes Building with Brian Habing presiding.

Graduate Council Members Present: *Bill Bates, Marianne Bickle, James Buggy, Christine Ebert, Naomi Farber, Joshua Gold, Gregory Hand, Zach Kelehear, Barry Markovsky, Manton Matthews, Jim O'Connor, William Rivers, Richard Schulz, *Christopher Tollefsen, Oggie Trifonov, Irma Van Scoy, and *Lynn Zoch.

Graduate Council Members Absent: Anthony Edwards.

Graduate School Representatives Present: James Buggy, Dale Moore

Provost Office Representative Present: Aileen Trainer.

Visitors: Michael Smith and Barbara Koons-Witt.

NOTE: These minutes will become final on May 9, 2007, if not challenged.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2007, MINUTES**

The Graduate Council adopted the minutes of February 26, 2007, as presented.

2. **CHAIR'S REMARKS (BRIAN HABING):** NONE.

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

Dean Ebert reminded the Graduate Council about the upcoming Graduate Student Day and encouraged members to attend the awards presentation. She noted that Stan Dubinsky was handling Graduate Student Day and that everything was on schedule. Dean Ebert commented that there will be two poster competitions and seven categories of awards. She reminded the Council of the upcoming deadlines for the third round of Graduate School Fellowships. Also, Dean Ebert announced that the GSA's "Lunch with the President" is scheduled for noon on Friday, March 30 in the Senate Chambers (room 322-6) in the Russell House.

Dr. Buggy added an update on Dr. Edwards' condition. He reminded new Council members to check their email addresses to make sure that he has the correct address. Also, he announced that the itinerary for the new dean's candidates would be sent to each member so that they would have an opportunity to meet them. He reminded the members that the end of the Council year is June 30 and it's time to start thinking about committee appointments and nominations for new Council membership.

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

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

New Course Proposal:

CRJU 810 - Crime, Law, and Public Policy (3). The study of the legal and policy-making processes as they apply to criminology and criminal justice, Examines the interrelationships between law, crime, and public policy and the research methodologies appropriate for the stud of crime-related policies in society.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

CRJU 814 - Research Design in Criminology and Criminal Justice (3). Intensive coverage of the logic and practice of research design and measurement issues commonly encountered in criminology and criminal justice research. Emphasizes the use of experimental research designs as the preferred methodology for making causal inferences.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

CRJU 816 - Applied Quantitative Data Analysis (3). Review of applied quantitative methodological literature in criminology and criminal justice. Topics include analysis of data from randomized field experiments, interrupted time-series studies, regression discontinuity studies, instrumental variable estimation, treatment probability matching estimators, statistical power analysis, and study planning.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

CRJU 817 - Quantitative Research Methods and Data Analysis (3). Examination of the qualitative research paradigm and its contribution to social inquiry, including the collection, organization, and analysis of qualitative date. Collection and analytic strategies involve interviewing, observation, and textual analysis.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

CRJU 821 – Advanced Criminological Theory (3). Advanced coverage of theoretical and developments and empirical research in criminology, with a focus on definitive statements from important theoretical traditions, empirical tests of criminological theories, and the translation of theory into **policy**.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

CRJU 899 – Dissertation Preparation (1-12). Dissertation Preparation.

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

(REMOVE SPECIAL PERMISSION REQUIRED FOR EACH COURSE.)

Curriculum and Bulletin Changes
PhD program

(SEE CHANGE.)

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Curriculum and Bulletin Changes
Advance Programs

(SEE CHANGE.)

[Effective Term: Fall 2007]

5. **REPORT OF THE SCIENCE, MATH, AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:**
NO REPORT.
6. **PETITIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE:** NAOMI FARBER reporting.
 - 1) Whitman appeal for reinstatement approved.
7. **REPORT OF THE 500/600 LEVEL COURSE COMMITTEE:**
NO REPORT.
8. **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
NONE
9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
NO REPORT.
10. **NEW BUSINESS:**
Dean Ebert asked that the Council consider whether they wanted to challenge the faculty to lead the effort to completely subsidize student health insurance premiums. She reported that

efforts to engage the Provost and GSA were unsuccessful. Dr. Schultz asked what our peer institutions were doing and Dean Ebert pledged Graduate School resources to help collect current data on the progress that other schools are making. Dr. Hand suggested that health insurance premiums might get more faculty interests if they were added to a tuition waiver package. Dr. Matthews was concerned that if it was it would no longer be a “benefit.” More discussion will follow.

11. GOOD OF THE ORDER

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM.

James Buggy, Secretary

c:
President Andrew A. Sorensen
Provost Mark P. Becker
Deans
Department Chairs
Graduate Directors
Barbara Blaney, University Registrar
Jodie Morris, Office of the Registrar
Gail Stephens, Office of the Registrar
Thom Harman, University Publications
Nancy Floyd, Office of Institutional Assessment and Compliance

*Replacement Member (2006-2007)