**YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting date: February 26, 2025 @ 4:15 pm**

**TEAMS**

Attending: Kendra Fowler, Chair, Patrick J. Bateman Joseph Carucci, Lauren Cummins, Weiqing Ge, Jake Protivnak, Constantin Virgil Solomon, Nina Stourman, Wendy Thomas, Angie Urmson Jeffries, Sev Van slambrouck,

Absent: J. Paul Louth, Andrea Richard-Graduate Student Advisory Council Representative

Kendra Fowler called the Graduate Council meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

1. Committee Chair reports
2. Admission and Appeals Committee Chair: J. Paul Louth-Angie read Paul’s report below.

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The Admission and Appeals Committee reviewed two academic suspension appeals from students in the MBA program. The program was in support and the committee granted the appeal.

Report submitted by Paul Louth 2/25/2025.

1. Exceptions Chair: Severine Van slambrouck. Nothing to report.
2. Graduate Curriculum Chair: Virgil Solomon-see curriculum report below.
3. Grievance Chair: Lauren Cummins Nothing to report.
4. GSAC- Angie reported in Andrea’s absence that the GSAC did a great job selecting the awardees for the Graduate Research & Creative Showcase.
5. Graduate Research & Creative Showcase Tuesday, March 18, 2025 5:00 PM Youngstown Historical Center of Industry & Labor- Steel Museum, Angie invited Council to the event and encouraged them to attend.
6. Graduate Student Social-Monday, April 7, 2025 Kilcawley Center Rossi Room 3:00-5. Angie asked Council to save the date for the upcoming Graduate Student Social. More information to be sent via email.
7. Comments/Information from Council Members – All members are invited to share information or request input.

Patrick brought up the time limit policy for Transfer credit. Current policy is 6 years for master’s work and 10 years for doctoral work. Patrick stated that past practice for the MBA program has not held to this time limit. Other council members shared that they have requested time limit extensions in some areas but not a blanket exception. Other members stated that courses in their program change often due to state/licensure requirements. Angie shared that part of the graduation requirement check is that the course requirements were met in the 6/10 year time limit or an exception was granted. Sev stated that the request received for transfer credit for courses 17 and 24 years old is significantly beyond the limit. Council members shared that technology courses beyond the limit are likely not the same material while other courses may not have changed or the person may be up-to-date due to using the material in their profession. It was suggested that perhaps this could be considered based on the course. Patrick shared the MBA program is doing well with student retention and he believes part of this is the impact of flexibility with transfer of credit policies. It was shared that Ohio State allows a provision for special credit for courses 20 years old. “Courses completed 20 years or older from the current term will be assigned Special credit. Student can have this credit further evaluated by the appropriate academic department to determine if a direct course equivalency is available”. Another consideration, unique to Education, is that comp exams are required for the degree. We want students to be successful and if exams are based on context in courses, it is hard for students who have transferred courses. Patrick asked about moving forward. Angie said she would like some time to investigate. Sev agreed that we would look into it and would report back to the group. Item was tabled and added to the agenda for next meeting.

Sev shared that an email announcing changes to Graduate Studies was in process and will likely be sent soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm.

Graduate Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2025

11:00 AM

TEAMS Meeting

Members Participating: Virgil Solomon (chair), Daniel Ayana, Joseph Carucci, Weiqing Ge, Michele Schaper, Ying Wang,

Excused: M. Kathleen Cripe

Agenda: January 24, 2025 and January 31, 2025 circulation memos

New Business:

Requested Action:

***The following items were approved:***

ENGL 6942: Writing With Data (Add a new 6900 level course).

ECON 6921: Economic Analysis of Markets and Industries. Course deactivation (Informational item).

MAT 6905 Behavioral Health and Psychosocial Concepts in Athletic Training (Change to course title, description and hours).

MAT 6946 General Medical Conditions Evaluation and Management (Change to course description and hours).

NURS 6904 Advanced Health Assessment. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

RESC 5820 The Respiratory Care Profession. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

RESC 5860 Technology Applications for Health and Human Services. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

RESC 6922 Special Topics in Respiratory Care. Change of prerequisite and hours from variable to set 3 sh (Informational Item).

GIS 6903: Advanced Geographic Information Science (Change of Prefix).

GIS 6904: Advanced Remote Sensing (Change of Prefix).

ART 6993: Interdisciplinary Studio 4. Course deactivation (Informational item).

MUED 6973: Research Methods and Materials in Music Education (Add a new 6900 level course).

FIN 6923: Corporate Financial Management. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6924: Securities Analysis. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6939: Multinational Accounting and Finance. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6945: Business Valuation. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6953: Advanced Financial Analysis. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6968: Special Topics in Finance. Course deactivation (Informational item).

FIN 6996: Research Problems. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6915: Estate Planning. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6922: Cost Based Decision Making. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6950: Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6917: MAcc Income Tax Preparation. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6996: Research Problems. Course deactivation (Informational item).

NURS 7005: Capstone Practicum. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

NURS 7045: Family Nurse Practitioner 1. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

NURS 7046: Family Nurse Practitioner 2. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

NURS 7047: Family Nurse Practitioner 3. Change of prerequisite (Informational Item).

HRS 8995: Dissertation in Health Sciences. Change to S/U grading.

HRS 8990: Graduate Research in Health Sciences. Change to S/U grading.

HAHS 5825: Study Abroad in Health and Human Services (Add a new swing level course).

ECON 5801: Economics of Industrial Organization. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ECON 6940: Financial Economics. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ECON 6952: Transfer Programs and Poverty. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ECON 6988: Modeling in Financial Economics. Course deactivation (Informational item).

GEOG 6902: Introduction to Remote Sensing. Course deactivation (Informational item).

GEOG 6903: Advanced Geographic Information Science. Course deactivation (Informational item).

GEOG 6904: Advanced Remote Sensing. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 5820: Government and Funds Accounting. Course deactivation (Informational item).

ACCT 6940: Data Analytics for Accounting. Course deactivation (Informational item).

CMST 5810: Leadership, Diversity, and Belongingness in the Modern Workplace (Add a new swing level course).

GEOG 6901: Introduction to Geographic Information Science Course deactivation (Informational item).

CMST 5845: Communication for Instructors and Trainers (Add a new swing level course).

CMST 5850: Multimedia Content Creation (Add a new swing level course).

CMST 5870: Advanced Public Relations (Add a new swing level course).

CHEN 5827: Measurements and Instrumentation (Add a new swing level course).

OMBA 6930: Business Analytics (Add a new 6900 level course).

BUS 6930: Business Analytics (Add a new 6900 level course).

OMBA 6931: Business Data Visualization (Add a new 6900 level course).

BUS 6931: Business Data Visualization (Add a new 6900 level course).

*(The committee requested clarification on OMBA/BUS 6930 and OMBA/BUS 6931. The program director explained the courses will be cross listed and used for two graduate programs.)*

Master of Athletic Training. Revise the flow of courses in the curriculum. Removal of two courses and addition of a previously used course. This is vital to students’ success as Athletic Training Healthcare providers, and better aligns the program with the CAATE Accrediting requirements. The resulting actions will change the Program Credit requirements from 64 to 63. Admissions requirements also updated. (Change of admission and program requirements).

Master of Science in Education in Counseling.Aligning curriculum to establish a core and four concentration areas: Addition, Clinical Mental Health, College and Student Affairs, and School Counseling (Change of program requirements).

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership. Clarification of requirements of Principal License specialization. (Change of program requirements).

Master of Science in Data Science and Statistics. Update of electives (changing GEOG prefix to GIS,) addition of ENGL 6942 to the list of possible electives. Removal of MPH 6904. (Change of program requirements).

Post-master's Certificate in Administrative Specialist. Removal of deactivated courses and addition of TERG courses. (Change of certificate program requirements).

Certificate in Applied Geospatial Science and Technology. Changes to certificate program.