

## GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES

The Graduate Council met Tuesday, March 13, 2001, in the MSC Boardroom at 3:00 p.m. Members present were: Dr. Robert Baumgardner, Dr. Bobby Carmichael, Ms. Challon Casto, Dr. Dean Ginther, Dr. John Hanners, Mr. Gerard Huber, Dr. Jeff Kopachena, Ms. Barbara Langham, Dr. Anita Pankake, Dr. Steven Shwiff, Dr. Jon Travis, Dr. Jerry Trusty, Dr. Vance Underhill, Dr. Tom Ward, and Dean Mathew Kanjirathinkal.

Members absent were: Dr. Alma Mintu-Wimsatt, Dr. Robert Seay, and Dr. Dayle Yeager

Minutes for December and February were approved.

### **Committee on Curriculum**

Dr. Jeff Kopachena presented the committee report on curriculum changes. The Council approved the requested curriculum changes with the following exceptions:

1. No statistics courses were approved (Ag 505, SW 535, 531, 533). A comprehensive study of statistics course offerings will be undertaken by a representative ad hoc committee of the Graduate Council. There is serious concern that there are unnecessary duplications of statistics and research methodology courses across the campus. This situation fragments our academic offerings and exacerbates our declining resource environment.
2. Hist 520, 540, 550, SWK 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 521, 525, 541, 543, 551, 553, 555, 557, and 595 need additional information before they are approved.

Dr. Mathew Kanjirathinkal presented an appeal concerning graduate faculty status. The Graduate Council upheld the original decision.

### ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 4:15p.m.

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Secretary to the Graduate Council