College of Education (COE) Graduate Programs Committee (GPC)
Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2021

Call to order: The COE-GPC meeting was called to order via Zoom Video-conferencing at 1:05pm on January 13, 2021.

Attendance: Drs. Sharon Darling (ESE), Deborah Shepherd, Eileen Ariza (T&L), Paul Peluso, Ali Danesh (CSD), Caitlin Imgrund (CSD), Kelly Emelianchik-Key (CE), Sabrina Sembiante (CCEI), Lisa Finnegan (ESE), Bianca Nightengale-Lee (CCEI), Maysaa Barakat (ELRM), and Victoria Brown (T&L).

Recorder: Ali Danesh

1. Minutes: Motion to approve the February 10, 2021 minutes with no edits. Motion was made by Sharon Darling and seconded by Sabrina Sembiante. Unanimously approved.

2. Curriculum Sub-Committee: One curriculum item from the T & L department for Ed Psych masters regarding field course placements. This curriculum proposal received positive recommendation from the curriculum subcommittee and this decision was approved unanimously by the GPC members.

3. Student Petitions Committee Report: The report was presented by Sharon Darling. Petitions Subcommittee reviewed 6 petitions from two departments: CE submitted one petition which was approved. Five petitions from Ed Leadership for a variety of reasons such as GRE and course approval were presented. Motion (& Second) to accept the subcommittee's commendations made by Sharon D., Petitions Subcommittee Chair. Unanimously approved.

4. UGC/UGP Report: Paul Peluso provided a report and updated the COE GPC committee about University Graduate Council/University Graduate Programs Committee. The chair mentioned about the use of Canvas and documentation of student participation in courses. This documentation should include some sort of course requirements set up on the gradebook and should be included in the syllabi in the future. There is no guideline about this policy for DIS classes, at the present time.

5. Other Business: Merging of CCEI and TE departments was briefly discussed. Some faculty expressed their frustration with such top/down decisions. This was followed by a lively discussion about this issue and some members expressed their concerns about the voting process for changes to their respective departments.

6. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.