College of Education (COE) Graduate Programs Committee (GPC)

Meeting Minutes

August 2023

Call to order: The COE-GPC meeting was called to order via Zoom Video-conferencing at 1:04 pm on August 23, 2023.

In Attendance: Maysaa Barakat (ELRM), Sharon Darling (DSE), Caitlin Imgrund (CSD), Adrianna Labarta (CE), Paul Peluso (CE, Chair of GPC), Sabrina Sembiante (C&I), Deborah Shepherd (Dean's Representative), Jarrett Warshaw (ELRM), and Dale Williams (CSD)

1. **Roll Call and Convening Announcements.** Welcome extended by Paul P., COE-GPC Chair. Brief introductions by all in attendance.
2. **Minutes Approval.** Suspended until next meeting.
3. **Recorder for Minutes.** Recorder role for the COE GPC rotates among the committee members. Sharon D. volunteered to take this meeting's minutes.
4. **Curriculum Committee Report and Recommendations** (presented by Paul P.). Curriculum Sub-committee did not meet, as there we no curriculum items.
5. **Student Petitions Committee Report and Recommendations** (presented by Sharon D.). Petitions Sub-committee reviewed two petitions from two departments: **CE** submitted one petition (waive residency); **EDLRM** submitted one petition (leave of absence). Motion (& Second) to accept the subcommittee's recommendations for approval of both, made by Sharon D., Petitions Subcommittee Chair; passed.
6. **University Graduate Council (UGC)/University Graduate Programs Committee (UGPC) Updates** (presented by Paul P.).
    - Faculty Senate meeting has not yet met, first meeting will take place eon 9/18/23; BOT Business Meeting scheduled for 9/11.
    - Provided an update on the FAU Presidential search, currently suspended.
    - Explained the curriculum review process for those who are new to the committee.
    - All curriculum submitted at the end of last academic year were considered and moved at a joint meeting of UGC and UGPC last week.
    - Potential issue for consideration this academic year by UGC and UGPC-Food insecurity among graduate students. Will investigate the severity of this issue and potential partnerships (e.g., Student Affairs) to contribute systemically to address this issue.
    - Potential issue for consideration this academic year by Faculty Senate-Dissertation titles and Chair names omitted from graduation program-issue will be presented to Senate by M. Mountford.
    - Potential issue for consideration this academic year by COE GPC-Department "ownership" of academic terminology.
7. **Other Business.** None.
8. **Adjourn:** Maysaa B. moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Sharon D. meeting adjourned at 1:48pm.