

BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 29, 2018 MEETING OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL

PLACE: Couper Administration Building – Room 148

PRESIDING: Aondover Tarhule, Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School

MEMBERS: Christopher Bishop, Peter Borgesen, David Campbell, George Catalano, Chang Liu (CSO), Paul Chiarot, Nikolay Dimitrov, Yotrib Hothout, Kimberly Jousi, Weiwei Meng, Andreas Paha, Yingye Qian, Gale Shaffer, Douglas Summerville, Nathan Turney, Nancy Um, Leigh Ann Wheeler

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EXCLUDED/ABSENT: Manoj Agarwal, Marv Beth Curtin, Robert Guay, Curtis Kendrick, Pamela Smart

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Dean Tarhule called meeting to order 3:02 pm

II. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 24 2018 meeting approved as written.

III. Report from Committees

Curriculum Committee: Gretchen Mahler presented the report of the curriculum committee's recommendations. The committee reviewed seven (7) permanent course proposals. CS 544 – Programming for the Web; CS 559 – Science of Cyber Security; ME 536 – Fundamentals of Additive Manufacturing Technologies in Turbine Engine and Gas Turbine Engines; ME 544 – Development of Machine Learning; CS 547 – High Performance Computing. These six (6) permanent course proposals were approved by Curriculum and Graduate Council and will be created

CS 544 – Technical Laboratory in Archaeology. This unique new course will provide a mechanism for students to gain laboratory research experience. It is currently requested as a variable credit course of between 1 to 4 credits. The Council expressed some concern about the number of credits and the

course. Other requested changes included [.....]. The department will be notified by Associated Dean in a manner with the requested changes. The course can be presented to Council and changes have been made.

This committee reviewed a Program Revision Proposal for the Master of Arts in English. The program is to include learning objectives and to ensure that all syllabi are in alignment with SUNY requirements. Gretchen reported that the requested revisions were made and resubmitted after the curriculum

Philosophy, Political and Law & Sustainable Communities. The Council requested that Table 1 should be updated with the Dean's comments and resubmitted. The Council approved the proposal subject to the table being updated

The second was Environmental Studies and Sustainable Communities accelerated program. The undergraduate program is being revised, but the committee did not feel that would affect the graduate portion being approved. Motion was made to approve and will move onto next steps i.e. EPPC.

The third was English Accelerated M.A. New 4+1 MA program. The Department of English seeks to create this accelerated degree program to attract more undergrad students and to appeal students in creative writing. The Council approved the proposal which will now be submitted to EPPC.

track in program. Only thesis, no project. Motion was made to approve and will move onto next steps.

Academic Standards Committee – Gretchen Mahler presented the report of this committee, which met

master's degree can defer their admission for up to one year without loss of status or the requirement to pay continuous registration. However, Binghamton students in the accelerated degree tracks who wish to defer their admissions are required to pay for continued registration to remain in status. The committee

recommends a change to this policy. The new policy states that it state it here... following discussions.

Advisory Committee for Scholarship and Research – This committee has not met

Student Affairs/Budget Advisory Committee – This committee has not met.

Strategic Planning Committee – This committee has not met.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Academic Leave of Absence. This is a policy that... semester. At the first presentation, the Council expressed concern about the rate of international

Following this clarification and assurance, the new policy was approved.

Dean Terhule reported that the Faculty Senate and President had constituted a university-wide joint task

university. Its charges are to recommend long term strategies for increasing graduate student enrollment and diversifying the study body, find innovative ways to introduce online education.

chair the task force.

Professor Kim Jausi raised a question about whether Binghamton University should consider admitting undergraduate students directly into the accelerated masters tracks. After discussion, the

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m. after a motion was made by Kimberly Laussi and seconded by Adam Laats.



Minutes recorded by Patty Gabriel

Executive Secretary to the Vice Provost and Dean
of the Graduate School

