Mississippi State University
Graduate Council
October 26, 1:30 pm

Call to Order: Dr. Russell Carr, Vice Chair

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of minutes: September 14, 2018

Report from UCCC: Dr. Dana Franz

1. Name Change for Ph.D. in College/Postsecondary Student Counseling & Personnel

Report from the Graduate School: Dr. Brien Henry

Report from the Graduate Student Association: John Buol

New Business

Adjourn
Mississippi State University - Graduate Council

September 14, 2018

PRESENT: Amy Adkerson (Jenny Turner), Kevin Armstrong, Henk Arnoldus, Linkan Bian, Ashli Brown Johnson, John Buol, Russell Carr, Frances Coleman (Bob Wolverton), Lara Dodds, Dana Franz, Don Grebner, Richard Harkess, W. Brien Henry, Pricilla Hill, Julie Jordan, Laura Marler, Nicole Ponder, Rebecca Robichaux-Davis, Peter Ryan, Chien Yu

ABSENT: Judy Bonner, Timothy Chamblee, Larry Hanson, Beth Miller, Susan Seal, David Shaw

REGULARE ATTENDERS: Alexis Davis, Meredith Nagel, Amy Robinson, Erica Waldman

GUEST: Debra Munsell (conference call)

I. The September 14, 2018 meeting of the Graduate Council of Mississippi State University was called to order by Chair Dr. Rebecca Robichaux-Davis at 1:33 PM in the Templeton Room of Mitchell Memorial Library.

II. Introductions were given by Chair, Rebecca Robichaux-Davis; Vice Chair, Dr. Russell Carr; Erica Waldman, who introduced the employees from the Graduate School; Dr. Peter Ryan; and Dr. W. Brien Henry.

III. Robichaux-Davis asked for approval of the minutes from the May 8, 2018 meeting. Chien Yu moved to approve and Richard Harkess seconded. The motion passed with one abstention.

IV. Report from University Committee on Courses and Curricula (UCCC): Dana Franz
   - Addition of the Master of Physician Assistant Studies – Debra Munsell
     Dana Franz brought forward the Addition of the Master of Physician Assistant Studies for discussion and asked for a second; Ashli Brown Johnson second. Franz stated Dr. Munsell was hired a year ago to lead the endeavor of implementing this program at Mississippi State University.

     The proposed addition will be a new Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies with no concentrations. Franz stated the program has an extensive accreditation process and Spring 2020 is the projected semester of first enrollment. Munsell stated corrections have been made and uploaded to address the concerns of the previous syllabi. Dr. Ryan added that the program has already been approved by the IHL Board of Trustees.

     After discussion, Robichaux-Davis asked for a motion to approve the addition; motion passed unanimously.

   - Addition of Distance Education to the Master of Agriculture
     Franz brought forward the Addition of Distance Education to the Master of Agriculture and asked for a second; Lara Dodds second. Franz stated no changes are being made to the program. The proposal is only to add distance to the exiting program. This addition will increase the availability of who can be in the program, which will help recruitment and aid those who are out in the field and want to continue their studies.

     Robichaux-Davis asked for a motion to approve the addition; motion passed unanimously.
• Modification of the Master of Arts in Teaching
  The Modification of the Master of Arts in Teaching will refine the current program. The faculty is proposing to remove TKT 8773 and EPY 6313 from the required program of study, add EPY 8473 to the required program of study, and clarify current test names and program name. The degree requirement of 36 hours remains the same. After a brief discussion, Dr. Robichaux-Davis asked for a motion to approve the modification; the motion passed unanimously.

• Dr. Franz stated they have streamlined the process of submitting distance education proposals within the UCCC system for receiving course proposals to ensure it matched up with their quality measures metrics. Also, the UCCC guiding format has been reviewed and refined. The new guidelines have been posted.

V. Report from the Graduate Student Association (GSA): John Buol
  • Buol reported that membership and attendance is markedly up in international and domestic graduate students. The Association is bringing on approximately 12 new departmental representatives, a program they run to get more interfacing directly with departments, which has helped with recruiting. GSA will be hosting a series of speakers at the general body meetings this year. Also, GSA is looking into resources and capabilities to 1) allow distance students the ability of remote access to the general body meetings and 2) to establish the new component of LGBTQ representative interest.

VI. Associate Dean’s Council Update: Dr. Peter Ryan
  • Dr. Ryan stated as it pertains to a student who has received an academic deficiency notification, the Graduate School will no longer initiate the process of dismissing a student. The Graduate School will not act on a student’s academic deficiency until the department and college have determined a course of action for the student and signed off on it. The responsibility for managing the academic well-being of the student belongs back with the academic unit.

  • A subcommittee from the Associate Dean’s Council is currently reviewing the policies and procedures outlined in the Graduate Catalog and updates to the catalog will be implemented in the coming months.

  • Dr. Ryan introduced the Lapsed Graduate Student Program, an initiative to readmit students who left their academic program in good academic standing, but did not complete their degree.

  • In an effort to increase graduate enrollment, Dr. Ryan shared the implementation of texting individuals who have been admitted to Mississippi State University, but did not enroll and those who have started applications, but never completed them.

VII. There being no further business, Carr moved to adjourn, seconded by Ponder. The meeting adjourned at 2:35pm.
NOTE: This form is a cover sheet that must accompany the degree program change proposal. The actual proposal should be prepared in accordance with format requirements provided in the Guide and Format for Curriculum Proposals published by the UCCC. Both cover sheet and proposal should be submitted to UCCC Mail Stop 9702 (281 Garner Hall), Phone: 325-9410.

College: Education

Department: Counseling, Educational Psychology and Foundations

Contact Person: Dr. Dan Gadke

Mail Stop: 9727

E-mail: dgadke@colled.msstate.edu

Nature of Change: Degree program name

Date Initiated: 06/29/2018

Effective Date: Upon approval

Current Degree Program Name: Ph.D. in College/Postsecondary Student Counseling & Personnel

Major: Concentration:

New Degree Program Name: Ph.D. in Counselor Education

Major: Concentration:

Summary of Proposed Changes:
We are changing degree name only. The rationale, degree information, and related justification are given in the attached IHL paperwork, which has already been approved (effective June 14, 2018).
Approved:

[Signature]
Department Head

[Signature]
Chair, College or School Curriculum Committee

[Signature]
Dean of College or School

[Signature]
Chair, University Committee on Courses and Curricula

[Signature]
Chair, Graduate Council (if applicable)

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Chair, Deans Council

Date:

06/29/2018

06/29/18

8/31/18
June 14, 2018

NOTIFICATION OF BOARD APPROVAL

TO: Richard Blackbourn
   Dean, College of Education

FROM: Judy Bonner
      Provost and Executive Vice President

This is your official notification that permission to rename the following academic program was approved by the Mississippi Board of Trustees of Institutions of Higher Learning at the April 2017 meeting.

From: Ph.D. in College/Postsecondary Student Counseling & Personnel Services (CIP 13.1102)

To: Ph.D. in Counselor Education
   (CIP 13.1102)

c: Mark E. Keenum, President
   Peter Ryan, Associate Provost and Interim Dean of the Graduate School
   Nancy Pultz, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President
   John Dickerson, Assistant VP, Enrollment
   David Morse, Head, Counseling, Educational Psychology & Foundations
   Amy Adkerson, Associate Registrar
   Tim Chamlee, Office of Institutional Research & Effectiveness
   Teresa Jayroe, Associate Dean and Professor
   Dana Franz, Chair, University Committee on Courses and Curricula
Appendix 9a: Modifications to Existing Degree Program Proposal
(Renaming)

Institution: Mississippi State University

Date of Implementation: 8/1/2018

Present Six Digit CIP Code(s): 13.1102
New Six Digit CIP Code: 13.1102

Present Program Title(s) as Appear(s) on Academic Program Inventory, Diploma, and Transcript:
Ph.D. in College/Postsecondary Student Counseling & Personnel Services

New Program Title as will Appear on Academic Program Inventory, Diploma, and Transcript:
Ph.D. in Counselor Education

Degree(s) to be Awarded:
Ph.D. in Counselor Education

Credit Hour Requirements:
81

List any institutions within the state offering similar programs:
University of Mississippi

Responsible Academic Unit(s):
Counseling, Educational Psychology and Foundations

Institutional Contact:
Phone: Dr. David Morse
Email: DMorse@colled.msstate.edu

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Program Summary:
The program for the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Counselor Education is designed for experienced counseling practitioners who wish to become leaders and trainers of counselors. Program candidates learn executive and supervisory skills, theory, ethical decision making and behavior, advanced training in research methodology, evidence-based methods for an increasingly diverse population, and hands-on internship and practicum experiences in applying their own skills, honing supervisory skills, and becoming an effective trainer of counselors.

The proposed degree name change will not involve curricular changes, any additional costs, or changes in the requisite personnel needed to deliver the program.

Chief Academic Officer Signature

Institutional Executive Officer Signature

Date 1/29/18
Date 1/30/18
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| **1.** Describe how the proposed modification fits within the mission of the institution.  
The name change makes clear the intended role of the degree program—that of training persons to be leaders and trainers of counselors. In the field of counseling, a master's degree (albeit with more semester hours than for other MS programs, 48-60) is the requisite credential. The PhD is not to train practitioners, and this will help make the distinction less ambiguous. |
| **2.** Is this modification unnecessarily duplicative of other programs within the System?  
No. |
| **3.** Describe the anticipated institutional impact including any research efforts associated with this program.  
The proposed name change is: (a) less likely to be confused by students applying for the PhD; and (b) more consistent with how peer and peer-plus programs around the country identify their programs. We do not anticipate any effects or structural changes to the curriculum or to research efforts associated with the program. |
| **4.** Are there any anticipated budget savings associated with the proposed modification?  
No. |
| **5.** Are there any changes to the educational objectives of the degree program associated with the proposed modification?  
No. |
| **6.** Are there any changes to the curriculum of the degree program associated with the proposed modification?  
No. |
| **7.** Describe how the proposed modification will affect program faculty.  
No impact to faculty other than more readily identifiable degree program and making marketing/promotion of the program to potential new students simpler. |
| **8.** Describe the evaluation process which led to the request for the proposed modification.  
The original name was driven more by the lonesome CIP code that was applicable to the emphasis areas of the degree includes than anything else. However, program faculty have discussed at length, and agreed upon the advantages of changing the program name to one that is less likely to confuse potential students. Further, we have had instances wherein students had inadvertently applied to the wrong program because of misunderstanding the degree name. Peer- and peer-plus programs were reviewed, and generally have adopted a broader, simpler name (as we propose) to make clearer the identity of the program. |
TO: Box Council and UCCC Committee Members

FROM: David Morse

RE: Support of proposed degree title change to PhD in Counselor Education

DATE: 01/30/2018

This letter of support is offered by the Counseling faculty for the proposed change of degree title from PhD in College/Postsecondary Student Counseling & Personnel Services to PhD in Counselor Education. As indicated by the signatures below, a majority of the program area faculty have approved the proposal as written for submission to the Box Council and the UCCC.

Program Area Faculty

Campus 1

[Katherine Dooley, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Rebecca Goldberg, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Deborah Jackson, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Cheryl A. Justice, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Joan Looby, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Laith Mazahreh, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Charles Palmer, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Daniel Wong, Ph.D.] [Date]

Campus 2

[Kim Hall, Ph.D.] [Date]

[Darren Wozny, Ph.D.] [Date]

【A list of the names of the program area faculty who did not sign the letter should be attached.】