




Graduate Council

MEMORANDUM

To: President Stephen J. Kopp

From: Tracy Christofero – Chair, Graduate Council 

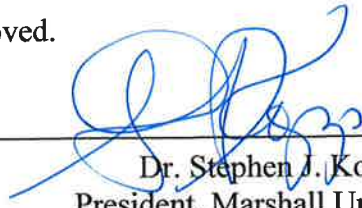
Date: March 7, 2014

Subject: **Approval of Graduate Council Minutes: February 28, 2014**

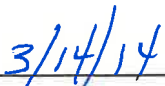
Attached are the minutes of the February 28th Graduate Council meeting for your review. Approval of these minutes will also serve as approval of curricular motions, graduate faculty status, etc.

Please advise if you have any comments/concerns/questions.

Minutes approved.



Dr. Stephen J. Kopp
President, Marshall University



Date

Note to President's secretary:

Please return the signed original to Tracy Christofero with .pdf copies e-mailed to:

Dr. Tracy Christofero, MUGC 328, South Charleston Campus
Dr. David Pittenger, Dean, Graduate College, Old Main, Huntington campus
Dr. Cam Brammer, Secretary, Graduate Council, SH 248, Huntington campus
Mr. Tim Melvin, Office of Academic Affairs, Old Main, Huntington campus
Ms. Jennifer Lauhon, Office of Academic Affairs, Old Main, Huntington campus
Ms. Crystal Stewart, Information Technology, Drinko 313A, Huntington campus

Graduate Council Minutes
February 28, 2014
South Charleston – Thomas Boardroom

Members Present: Anderson, Edington, Swindell Brammer, Christofero, Edington, Frank, Heaton, Karabetsos, Lankton, Lassiter, Sollars, Spatig, Swindell, Trzyna, Watts

Members Absent: Larsen (excused), Morris, Kreig (excused)

Ex-Officio Members Present: Dean Eagle, Dean Pittenger

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Provost Ormiston, John Maher

Guests: Zach Garrett & Gary McIlvain; David Mallory & Dean Somerville

Christofero convened the meeting at 1:00 P.M.

Agenda

Christofero	Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
Christofero	Approval of previous meeting Minutes (Attachment 1)
Christofero	Report of graduate faculty status candidates (Attachment 2)
Watts	Academic Planning, Standards, & Policies (Attachment 3)
Anderson	Curriculum Committee (Attachment 4)
Swindell	Program Review & Assessment Committee
Edington	Credentialing Committee
Pittenger	Policy Recommendations (Attachment 5)
Christofero	Miscellaneous business of the Council

2013-2014 Graduate Council Meetings – Please reserve these dates

- March 28, 2014 – Huntington – Don Morris E210
- April 25, 2014 – South Charleston – Thomas Boardroom

Minutes of January 24, 2014 Graduate Council Meeting (Attachment 1) – Approved

Graduate Faculty Status Candidates (Attachment 2) – Approved with editorial change of addition of the name of the department of 'Criminal Justice'

Academic Planning, Standards, & Policies (Attachment 3)
Watts recommended the Intent to Plan for MS in Computer Science– **Approved**

Watts recommended the new catalog description for program in GLY/Physical Sciences – **Approved**

Curriculum Committee (Attachment 4)

Anderson recommended to Table the following for clarification:
COEPD Course Changes #1, 2, and 3. Tabled by the committee for clarification

COHP #5 - 10 HS 512, 515, 525, 634, 645, 655
Approved from the November agenda

COHP Course Title Changes recommended for approval:
#11-16 PT 710, 731, 732, 741, 750, 751 Approved

COHP Course Description Changes recommended for approval:
#17-20 HS 522, HS 510 to HS 609, HS 540 to HS 639, HS 579 to HS 679
Approved

COLA New Course Additions recommended for approval:
#21-23 from the November agenda HST 527, 547, 548 Approved with addition of
title of courses.

COLA #24 PSC 566 from the November agenda. Approved

COLA Course Title Changes, Credit Hours Changes, and Course Grading
Changes recommended for approval: #25-30 ENG 682, 683 Approved

COS New Course Additions recommended for approval: #31 and 32
PLS 505, 533 Motion by committee to Table—Approved

COS Course Description Change recommended for approval: #33
MTH 589 Approved

COS Course Title Change recommended for approval: #34
MTH 589 Approved

COS Change in Catalog Description for a major recommended for approval:
#35 MA MTH – Approved

#36 Previously approved from Academic Planning

SOJMC Course Description and Title Changes recommended for approval:
Change title to *"Narrative Reporting"*
#37 and 38 JMC 606 – Approved

SOP New Course Addition Committee recommended to table until March: #39
PHAR 711 - Approved

SOP New Course Addition recommended for approval: #40-51
PHAR 721, 722, 731, 741, 751, 761, 801, 802, 815, 816, 817, 818 -Approved

Program Review & Assessment Committee:

Swindell thanked all members of Council for their work on reviews and reported that all reviews had been given to Dr. Marybeth Reynolds.

Credentialing Committee:

Edington reported that the Committee had completed the all but two colleges and those were to be completed by next meeting. The committee is going to develop a standardized letter to give to colleges when credentialing has been completed with satisfaction. It was discussed that not all colleges required everyone teaching graduate courses to be listed in the Redbook. The Committee will make a recommendation to Council so there is a common practice among colleges.

Policy Recommendations (Attachment 5)

Council decided that more information was needed before any action in editing and revising of the Graduate Catalog discussed by Dean Pittenger was taken..

Motion to Table – Approved

Miscellaneous business of the Council – No Other Business

Christofero stated it was time to start thinking about the Outstanding Graduate Advisors' awards. Pittenger reported that funds were received and he would follow-up on the amounts for these two awards.

Christofero adjourned the meeting at 2:35 PM

Submitted by Cam Brammer 3/6/14; Reviewed by Tracy Christofero 3/6/14

Attachment 2

Type	Faculty Member	College/School	Department/Division	Graduate Faculty Level	Term Start	Term Expires
Add	Bora, Dhruva	COS	Criminal Justice	Graduate	01/29/14	01/29/19
Add	Dragovich, Michael	CITE	Applied Science and Technology	Instructor	07/17/14	07/17/16
Add	Gardner, Billy	SOM	Forensic Science	Associate	02/11/2014	02/11/2017
Add	kelli, Williams	COHP	Dietetics	Graduate	01/24/2014	01/24/2019
Add	Kopchick, John	SOM	Anatomy & Pathology	Associate	02/01/14	02/01/17
Add	Levstein, Ian	SOM	Forensic Science	Associate	2/11/2014	2/11/2017
Add	Long, Timothy	SOP	Pharmaceutical Science & Research	Doctoral	01/02/14	01/02/19
Add	McCunn, Laura	COS	Chemistry	Graduate	02/03/14	02/03/19
Add	Rakus, John	COS	Chemistry	Graduate	01/23/14	01/23/19
Delete	DeTardo-Bora, Kimberly	COS	Criminal Justice	Graduate	03/31/09	03/31/14
Delete	Hand II, Leonard	SOM	Forensic Science	Instructor	04/30/08	04/30/10
Delete	Hayden, Jennifer	SOM	Forensic Science	Associate	09/01/12	09/01/15
Delete	Johnson, Rebecca	SOM	Forensic Science	Instructor	02/01/11	02/01/13
Delete	Kramer, James	SOM	Forensic Science	Associate	08/30/09	08/30/12
Delete	Rankin, John	SOM	Forensic Science	Graduate	09/30/09	09/30/14
Delete	Shepard, Ray	SOM	Forensic Science	Instructor	07/31/09	07/31/11
Delete	Stephen Lawson	COFA	Music	Graduate	February 1, 2011	February 1, 2016
Delete	Stephen, Michael	SOM	Forensic Science	Instructor	07/01/11	07/01/13
Edit	Chen, Yuanyuan	LCOB	FIN/ECN	Graduate	03/27/13	03/27/18
Edit	Claudio, Pier Paolo	SOM	Biochemistry & Microbiology	Doctoral	1/1/14	12/31/16
Edit	DeTardo-Bora, Kimberly	COS	Criminal Justice	Graduate	1/29/14	1/29/19
Edit	Holland, Pamela	COHP	Communication Disorders	Associate	11/09/12	11/09/15
Edit	Karim, Mohammad	LCOB	FIN/ECN	Graduate	03/26/13	03/26/18
Edit	Primerano, Donald	SOM	Biochemistry & Microbiology	Doctoral	03/01/14	02/28/17

Edit	Rankin, Gary	SOM Pharmacology, Physiology & Toxicology	Doctoral	2/1/14	1/31/17
Edit	Valentovic, Monica	SOM Pharmacology, Physiology & Toxicology	Doctoral	03/01/14	02/28/17
Edit	Wait, Isaac	CITE Engineering & Computer Science	Graduate	2/17/14	2/17/19
Edit	Willis, William	LCOB MGT/MKT/MIS	Associate	04/04/13	04/04/16

Attachment 3: Academic Planning, Standards, & Policies

Intent to plan for MS in Computer Science

Department:

New Major or Degree:

Credit Hours:

Rationale:

Department: Weisberg Division of Computer Science

New Major or Degree: Master of Science in Computer Science (MSCS)

Credit Hours: 30.0

Rationale: According to a recent Forbes report, the occupation that created the most jobs is Software Development (Applications and System Software). A total of 70,872 new software engineering jobs have been added since 2010 (a 7% growth). Synergistic confluence of powerful desktop computers, multimedia-capable mobile devices and sensors, gigapixel cameras, and social media is generating heterogeneous data whose volumes are unprecedented in scale and complexity -- Big Data. The latter is the next frontier for groundbreaking scientific discoveries, innovation, productivity, new products and services. The emergence of Big Data is contributing to even more rapid job growth in the CS field. Demand outstrips supply and salaries are increasing substantially. According to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average pay for software engineers is \$90,530 a year, and the Bureau expects a 30% increase in the number of software developers by 2020 (relative to 2010 baseline). As impressive as the phenomenal growth of the Computer Science (CS), so much more is the demand on software professionals to stay abreast of the fast changing discipline. For this reason, a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science (BSCS) is often inadequate for advancing one's career. A large percentage of BSCS graduates pursue post BSCS: a Master of Science in Computer Science (MSCS) degree; graduate certificates in specialized areas of CS; or simply enroll in CS graduate courses as an effective means for continuing professional education. Given the above backdrop, introducing MSCS degree at Marshall is of strategic importance for the following reasons:

There is only one Computer Science Master's degree program for the entire state of West Virginia, which is offered by the West Virginia University. MSCS degree will significantly increase graduate student enrollment at Marshall, especially foreign students through both direct and INTO program channels (based on info from INTO recruiters from China and India). This is a direct consequence of current and future job growth rates in the US and globally. MSCS will enable introducing an Accelerated Masters Degree (AMD) program in Computer Science. AMD allows outstanding undergraduate students to complete a traditional four-year Bachelor's degree in Computer Science and then, with one additional year, earn a Master's degree. AMD will help attract even more undergraduate students to Marshall.

New catalog course description for program in GLY/Physical Sciences

Attachment 4: Graduate Curriculum Requests

COEPD

NEW COURSE ADDITIONS:

COURSE CHANGES:

(1)

College:

COEPD

Department:

Adult & Technical Education

Major or Degree:

Ed.S. Adult Education

Type of Change:

Change

Rationale:

To align the EDS program in ATE with the other EDS programs in the College of Education and Professional Development. This change is brought about as a part of moving the supervision of the ATE program to Leadership Studies and makes use of core courses from other programs within the college. This change is part of the BOG directive to reduce the number of programs to be more in line with the capacity of the limited number of faculty members in the program while still meeting the need for a post-masters program in ATE.

Contact:

Mike Cunningham, 304-746-1912

(2)

Catalog Change:

College:

COEPD

Department:

Adult & Technical Education

Major or Degree:

Ed.S. Adult Education

Contact:

Mike Cunningham, 304-746-1912

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must have a master's degree in an appropriate field. Applicants should follow the admissions process described in this catalog or at the Graduate Admissions website at www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissionsrequirements.asp

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Students must apply for graduation by the published deadline in the semester they expect to graduate. All coursework included as part of a Plan of Study must not be more than seven years old at the time of graduation.

COURSE NUMBER	Course Name	Credit Hours	Course Availability	Semester Taken	Grade
Required ATE Courses					
ATE 618	Literature of Adult & Continuing Education	3	Summer		
ATE 689	Grant Writing	3	All		
ATE 701	Community & Technical College	3	Fall		
ATE 703	Applied Research in Career & Technical Center Teaching	3	Summer		
ATE 723	Perspectives & Strategies for Workforce Education	3	Summer		
Required Core Courses					
LS 703	Research Design	3	Fall		
EDF 625	Qualitative Research in Education	3	Fall		
CIEC 700	Technology and Education	3	Fall		
EDF 711	Survey Research in Education	3	Summer		
CI 677 or HUM 604	Writing for Publication Expository Writing	3	Spring		
Capstone Course					
ATE 679	Problem Report	3	Spring		
TOTAL		33			

Student	Date	Advisor	Date
DR. MICHAEL L. CUNNINGHAM, Program Director	Date	DR. TERESA EAGLE, Dean	Date

Ed.S. with Area of Emphasis in Adult and Technical Education

Program Description

The program is designed to permit specialization in the field of Adult and Technical Education. ~~Upon admission, the department will assign an advisor who will work with the student in developing an approved program. The program is considered approved when an agreement is signed by the student, advisor and one other member of the ATE program.~~

Admission Requirements, M.S.

Applicants must have a master's degree from a regionally accredited institution and work experience that provides an applicable background for the program. Applicants should follow the admissions process described in this catalog or at the Graduate Admissions website at www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissionsrequirements.asp.

Program Requirements

All programs must be completed in seven years from admittance and conform to the following standards:

1. Completion of a minimum of ~~36~~ 33 hours of planned, approved graduate study with a 3.25 GPA, including the following:

Core Coursework	2415
(NOTE: credit will not be approved for courses used in a master's program)	
Minor field (approved area of specialization).....	6
Adult and Technical Education Coursework.....	15
Research Component (ATE 677 or equivalent course by approval 679).....	3
Applied Research (Thesis, 6 hours)	6
TOTAL HOURS.....	3633

2. A Plan of Study will be sent to the student at the time of admission. Changes in required courses and the choice of any elective courses must be approved, and signed off by the advisor on the office copy of the Plan of Study. The Plan of Study is a student's "blueprint" for completing graduation requirements.

~~3. Completion of a comprehensive oral examination covering the coursework and thesis. The examination will be administered by three full-time ATE faculty members selected by the student.~~

(3)

College:

COEPD

Department:

Adult & Technical Education

Degree:

Ed.S. Community & Technical College Studies

Type of Change:

Deletion

Rationale:

The EdS in Community College offered by the ATE program is intended for the same students as a program housed in the Leadership Studies Program; the EDS in Community College Administration. Since both of these programs are administratively housed within the LS/ATE program within COEPD, this arrangement is not an efficient model or wise use of scarce faculty resources. In another action request the remaining EdS in the ATE program is being revised to use a common core from the COEPD EdS program. These two actions will make the ATE program much more efficient and easier to communicate to prospective students.

Contact:

Mike Cunningham, 304-746-1912

COHP**NEW COURSE ADDITIONS:****(4)**

College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 New Course Number and Title: PT 798 - Independent Study
 New Catalog Description:

Independent study of a specific nature under the supervision of a qualified faculty member. Hours of credit are determined by the magnitude of the project (PR: permission of Chair of School of Physical Therapy)

Prerequisites: Permission of Chair of School of PT
 Credit Hours: 1 - 4
 Comments: Contact Pam Holland (304-696-2985).

(5)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 512 – Practical and Emergency Techniques in Athletic Training

Catalog Description: Taping, bracing, spine boarding, airway and oxygen administration, and other advanced emergency and practical care techniques used in athletic training. (PR: program admission; CR: HS522)

Prerequisites: Program Admission
 First Term Offered: Fall 2015
 Credit Hours: 3
 Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

(6)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 515 – Athletic Training Clinical Experience I
 Catalog Description: To begin developing athletic training evaluation and treatment skills under the direction of a BOC certified Athletic Trainer. Requires 150 clinical hours. (CR: HS522)

Prerequisites: Program Admission
 First Term Offered: Fall 2015
 Credit Hours: 2
 Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

7)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 525 – Athletic Training Clinical Experience II

Catalog Description: To continue developing athletic training evaluation and treatment skills under the direction of a BOC certified Athletic Trainer. Requires 150 clinical hours. (PR: HS 515)

Prerequisites: HS 515
 First Term Offered: Spring 2016
 Credit Hours: 2
 Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

(8)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 634 - Athletic Training Externship
 Catalog Description: Approved allied health externship supervised by an MD, EMT, PT, PA, or ATC. Requires 225 clinical hours, of which 75+ must be in a non-orthopedic setting. (PR: HS525, program permission)
 Prerequisites: HS 525; program permission
 First Term Offered: Summer 2016
 Credit Hours: 3
 Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

(9)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 645 - Athletic Training Externship III
 Catalog Description: To continue developing athletic training evaluation and treatment skills under the direction of a BOC certified athletic trainer and/or other qualified allied health professionals.
 Prerequisites: passing HS 525 and 150 clinical hours
 First Term Offered: Fall 2016
 Credit Hours: 2.0
 Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

(10)

College/School: COHP
 Department: SOK
 Course Number and Title: HS 655 – Athletic Training Externship IV
 Catalog Description: Capstone clinical experience supervised by an MD, PT, PA, or ATC at an approved site. Requires 150 clinical hours.
 Prerequisites: HS 579 enrollment and passing HS 545
 First Term Offered: Spring 2017
 Credit Hours: 2.0
 Comments: Contact Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

COURSE CHANGES:

(11)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE/CREDIT HOUR CHANGE

College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 710 - Intro to Human Movement

Old Catalog Description:

Lecture and laboratory introducing students to basic histology of connective, nervous, epithelial and muscle tissue utilized in human movement and to palpations skills of tissues utilized in movement.

New Catalog Description:

Lecture and laboratory introducing students to basic histology of connective, nervous, epithelial and muscle tissue utilized in human movement, palpations skills, goniometry and manual muscle testing.

Old Credit Hours: 2
New Credit Hours: 3
Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).

(12)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 731 - Clinical Skills I

Old Catalog Description:

Lecture and laboratory covering basic evaluation skills including clinical decision making, history taking, postural and functional assessment, surface palpation, manual muscle testing, and goniometric measurement.

New Catalog Description:

Theory/practice of essential physical therapy skills, including clinical decision making, interview, postural and functional assessment, safe patient handling techniques of positioning, bed mobility, transfers, and use of assistive devices.

Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).
Recommendation: approve

(13)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 732 - Clinical Skills II

Old Catalog Description:

Theory and practice of clinical decision making, modalities, and safe patient handling techniques of positioning, bed mobility, transfers, and use of assistive devices.

New Catalog Description:

Theory and practice of essential physical therapy skills, including therapeutic massage, electrotherapeutic modalities, physical agents and mechanical modalities.

Old Credit Hours: 3
New Credit Hours: 2
Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).

(14)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE/CREDIT HOUR CHANGE

College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 741 - Medical Pathology I

Old Credit Hours: 1
New Credit Hours: 2
Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).
Recommendation: approve

(15)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE
 College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 750 - Foundations of Physical Therapy

Old Catalog Description:

Introduces students to medical terminology, historical foundations, and contemporary practice of physical therapy, traditional and emerging roles and responsibilities and professional behaviors of the physical therapist.

New Catalog Description:

Introduces students to medical terminology, historical foundations, and contemporary practice of physical therapy, traditional and emerging roles and responsibilities and professional behaviors of the physical therapist and issues of self-awareness and communications.

Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).

(16)

Type of change request: COURSE TITLE CHANGE/COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE
 College/School: COHP
 Department: PT
 Course Number and Title: PT 751 - Professional Practice I

Old Catalog Description:

Development of cultural competence, analysis and practice of communications skills including patient-therapist interaction, documentation, professionalism, group dynamics and leadership to assume roles of practitioner, instructor, supervisor, and leader.

New Catalog Description:

Development of cultural competence, analysis and practice of communications skills including documentation, professionalism, group dynamics and leadership to assume roles of practitioner, instructor, supervisor, and leader.

Old Credit Hours: 3
 New Credit Hours: 2
 Comments: Contact Penny Knoll (304-696-5614).
 Recommendation: approve

(17)

COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

Department: School of Kinesiology
 Course Number and Title: HS522 Prevention, Care, and Treatment of Athletic Injuries

Rationale: In 2012, the national accrediting agency (CAATE) updated its list of required skills and competencies and mandatory patient population exposures. As such, new material was added to the existing core content of this course. The catalog description change reflects the broader scope of this combined material and recognition of injuries in the general population.

Course Description (old)

This course is designed to prepare the athlete for competition, the prevention and protection of the athlete from accidents, the etiology, examination and immediate care of the athlete, and the

Course Description: (new) rehabilitation of the athlete following injury. Orthopedic skills and procedures used by athletic trainers to assess patients to determine baseline physical and fitness data and the best course of action for injury prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation.

COURSE TITLE CHANGE

College/School: COHP
 Course Number and Title: HS522 Prevention, Care, and Treatment of Athletic Injuries
 Department: School of Kinesiology
 Current Course Number/title: HS522 Prevention, Care, and Treatment of Athletic Injuries
 New Course Title: HS522 Orthopedic Skills and Procedures
 Rationale: In 2012, the national accrediting agency (CAATE) updated its list of required skills and competencies and mandatory patient population exposures. As such, new material was added to the existing core content of this course. The name change reflects the broader scope of this combined material and recognition of injuries in the general population.

Catalog Description: Orthopedic skills and procedures used by athletic trainers to assess patients to determine baseline physical and fitness data and the best course of action for injury prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation.

Comments: Zach Garrett, MS, MHA, ATC (304-696-2924).

(18)

COURSE NUMBER CHANGE

Department: School of Kinesiology
 Course Number and Title: (old) HS 510 Organization and Administration in Athletic Training
 Course Number and Title: (new) HS 609 Organization and Administration in Athletic Training
 Rationale: The course is designed to investigate current trends in administration and organization in the field of athletic training, and to investigate laws and billing/diagnosis codes associated with the profession.

Catalog Description: This course will investigate current trends in administration and organization in the field of athletic training. Focus will be placed on current state/federal practice laws and the financial management of running an athletic training clinic.

Credit Hours: 3

COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

Department: School of Kinesiology
 Course Number and Title: HS609 Organization and Administration in Athletic Training
 Rationale: In 2012, the national accrediting agency (CAATE) updated its list of required skills and competencies and mandatory patient population exposures. As such, new material was added to the existing core content of this course. The catalog description change reflects the broader scope.

Course Description: (old) This is a course that investigates current trends in administration and organization in the field of athletic training.

Course Description: (new) This course will investigate current trends in administration and organization in the field of athletic training. Focus will be placed on current state/federal practice laws and the financial management of running an athletic training clinic.

(19)**COURSE NUMBER CHANGE**

Department: School of Kinesiology

Course Number and Title: (old) HS 540 Health Assessment for the Athletic Trainer

Course Number and Title: (new) HS 639 Health Assessment for the Athletic Trainer

Rationale: The course is designed to study common general medical problems and illnesses common with athletics and physically active individuals while utilizing evidence based medicine.

Catalog Description: This course will investigate common general medical conditions and illnesses in relation to athletics and physically active individuals while utilizing evidence based medicine.

Credit Hours: 3

COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

Department: School of Kinesiology

Course Number and Title: HS639 Health Assessment for the Athletic Trainer

Rationale: In 2012, the national accrediting agency (CAATE) updated its list of required skills and competencies and mandatory patient population exposures. As such, new material was added to the existing core content of this course. The catalog description change reflects the broader scope.

Course Description: (old) A study of common problems and illnesses of athletes and other physically active individuals and the proper methods of evaluating these complaints.

Course Description: (new) This course will investigate common general medical conditions and illnesses in relation to athletics and physically active individuals while utilizing evidence based medicine.

(20)**COURSE NUMBER CHANGE**

Department: School of Kinesiology

Course Number and Title: (old) HS 579 Trends in Athletic Training

Course Number and Title: (new) HS 679 Trends in Athletic Training

Rationale: The course is designed to enhance students knowledge in evidence based practice by utilizing decisions made in current clinical practice. The class will incorporate research papers/presentations to enhance learning outcomes.

Catalog Description: To provide an in-depth analysis of current trends with regard to evidence based practice, current practice position statements, and current research methods being utilized in athletic training.

Credit Hours: 3

COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE

Department: School of Kinesiology
 Course Number and Title: HS679
 Rationale: In 2012, the national accrediting agency (CAATE) updated its list of required skills and competencies and mandatory patient population exposures. As such, new material was added to the existing core content of this course. The catalog description change reflects the broader scope.

Course Description: (old) To provide an in-depth analysis of current trends with regard to administration, liability and insurance. In addition, will cover current standards in surgery, rehabilitation and evaluation of sports related injuries.

Course Description: (new) To provide an in-depth analysis of current trends with regard to evidence based practice, current practice position statements, and current research methods being utilized in athletic training.

COLA**NEW COURSE ADDITIONS:****(21)**

College/School: COLA
 Department: History
 Course Number and Title: HST 527
 Catalog Description: This course explores the Second World War. It probes the nexus of diplomacy, politics, ideology, military strategy and operations, economics, and technological innovation that generated a truly global “total war”.

Prerequisites: None
 First Term Offered: undecided
 Credit Hours: 3.0
 Comments: full syllabus attached
 Contact – Phillip Rutherford, 304-696-2719

(22)

College/School: COLA
 Department: History
 Course Number and Title: HST 547
 Catalog Description: This course explores the nature and importance of empire through the reading of key texts and the study of selected films.

Prerequisites: None
 First Term Offered: Spring 2015
 Credit Hours: 3.0
 Comments: full syllabus attached, syllabus states that a selected bibliography is attached, when the form requires a complete bibliography.
 Contact – William Palmer, 304-696-2720

(23)

College/School: COLA
 Department: History
 Course Number and Title: HST 548
 Catalog Description: This course explores selected aspects of British history through the study of films and key texts.
 Prerequisites: none
 First Term Offered: Spring 2015
 Credit Hours: 3.0
 Comments: Assessment mechanisms are not included in the syllabus, nor is a grading system.
 Contact – William Palmer, 304-696-2720

(24)

College/ School: COLA
 Department: Political Science
 Course Number and Title: PSC 566: Appalachian Politics
 Catalog Description: Explores Appalachia as both a geographical region and a political construct, focusing on how politics shapes regional identity and the region's relationship to the United States
 Prerequisites: None
 First Term Offered: Spring 2013
 Credit Hours: 3.0
 Comments: Okay except missing some signatures
 Contact – George Davis, 304-696-2766

COURSE CHANGES:**(25)****COURSE TITLE CHANGE**

College/ School: COLA
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 682: M.A. Graduate Portfolio
 New Course Number/Title: ENG 682: Portfolio
 Rational: Align with departmental capstone language
 Catalog Description: Extensive revision and creation of new original writing for the purposes of demonstrating knowledge and ability, as well as preparing students for further graduate study or the job market.

(26)**COURSE CREDIT HOUR CHANGE**

College/ School: COLA
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 682: M.A. Graduate Portfolio
 Current credit hours: hrs.
 New credit hours: 1-9 hrs.
 Rationale: Change is necessary for TAs who have completed course work to enroll in nine hours while completing portfolio. Only 3 hours will be applied to degree as in the past.

(27)**COURSE GRADING CHANGE**

College/ School COLA
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 682: M.A. Graduate Portfolio
 Current course grading system: Letter grade
 New course grading system: Credit/No Credit
 Rationale: Align with disciplinary norms
 Contact person: Kristen Lillvis (66269)

(28)**COURSE TITLE CHANGE**

College/School: COLA
 Department: English
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 683: M.A. Comprehensive Exams
 New Course Number/Title: ENG 683: Comprehensive Exams
 Rational: Align with departmental capstone language
 Catalog Description: Preparation and extensive reading for exams in three areas of study. Students are expected to demonstrate expertise in these three areas through completion of essay exams.

(29)**COURSE CREDIT HOUR CHANGE**

College/School: COLA
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 683: M.A. Comprehensive Exams
 Current credit hours: 3 hrs.
 New credit hours: 1-9 hrs.
 Rationale: Change is necessary for TAs who have completed course work to enroll in nine hours while completing comprehensive exams. Only 3 hours will be applied to degree as in the past.

(30)**COURSE GRADING CHANGE**

College/School: COLA
 Department: English
 Current Course Number/Title: ENG 683: M.A. Comprehensive Exams
 Current course grading system: Letter grade
 New course grading system: Credit/No Credit
 Rationale: Align with disciplinary norms
 Contact person: Kristen Lillvis (66269)

COS

NEW COURSE ADDITIONS:

(31)

Type of Change Requested:	COURSE ADDITION
College/School:	COS
Department:	IST/NRRM
Course Number and Title:	PLS 505 – Park/Recreation Ecology
Catalog Description:	The course is designed to help students identify and evaluate the level of resource impact, understand factors that cause resource impacts, and suggest appropriate management actions to minimize impacts under given conditions.
Prerequisites:	N/A
First Term Offered:	Fall 2013
Credit Hours:	3 hours
Contact:	Contact Person – Min Kook Kim (x63748)

(32)

Type of Change Requested:	COURSE ADDITION
College/School:	COS
Department:	Department of Integrated Science & Technology / Natural Resources & Recreation Management
Course Number and Title:	PLS 533 GIS/RS in Natural Resources
Catalog Description:	Focusing on natural resource management, the course will explore techniques and procedures required for spatially explicit data analysis in parks and protected areas.
Prerequisites:	N/A
First Term Offered:	Spring 2014
Credit Hours:	3 hours
Contact:	Contact Person – Min Kook Kim (x63748)

COURSE CHANGES:

(33)

Type of Change Requested:	COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE
Department:	Mathematics
Type of Change Requested:	COURSE NUMBER CHANGE
Course Number and Title:	MTH 589 ITA Seminar
Rationale:	This course is taken by graduate mathematics students, including all mathematics Graduate Assistants. When the course was originally developed, the title was chosen because all mathematics graduate assistants were Teaching Assistants, but this is no longer the case. Moreover, in the time since the course was created, its content has been revised to serve the needs of mathematics graduate students generally, not only Teaching Assistants. The revised title and description clarify the current nature of the course.

Course Description (old): An introduction to techniques of teaching mathematics with emphasis on lower-level mathematics courses.

Course Description (new): A seminar on topics relevant to graduate students in mathematics, including college-level teaching, conducting research, professional ethics, and mathematics careers. This course does not satisfy any degree requirements.

Contact: Dr. Alfred Akinsete, 304 696 6010

(34)

Type of Change Requested: COURSE TITLE CHANGE
 Department: Mathematics
 Current Course Number/Title: MTH 589 ITA Seminar
 New Course Title: Graduate Mathematics Seminar
 Rationale: This course is taken by graduate mathematics students, including all mathematics Graduate Assistants. When the course was originally developed, the title was chosen because all mathematics graduate assistants were Teaching Assistants, but this is no longer the case. Moreover, in the time since the course was created, its content has been revised to serve the needs of mathematics graduate students generally, not only Teaching Assistants. The revised title and description clarify the current nature of the course.

Catalog Description: An introduction to topics relevant to graduate students in mathematics, including college-level teaching, conducting research, professional ethics, and mathematics careers. This course does not satisfy any degree requirements.

Contact: Dr. Alfred Akinsete, 304 696 6010

REQUEST FOR GRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF A MAJOR OR DEGREE

(35)

Department: MATHEMATICS
 Major or Degree: M.A. Mathematics
 Type of Change: Change in Curriculum
 (addition, deletion, change)
 Rationale: About 50% of our graduate students take thesis option. However, the number of credit hours for thesis does not count towards the required 18 credit hours of 600 level courses for graduation. Thesis option is additional work for students. The other option is to take the comprehensive oral examination. The current graduate program requirements do not offer any incentive for doing a thesis rather than taking an oral exam. Without changes in this requirements, the proportion of students interested in thesis would

dwindle. A credit of not more than 3 hours of thesis towards graduation requirements will address this problem and encourage students to do research.

Contact: Dr. Alfred Akinsete, 304 696 6010

3. Current Catalog Description

Insert the Current Catalog Description and page number from the latest catalog for entries you would like to change. (May attach separate page if needed)

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Degree Requirements:

A Plan of Study approved by the department/program and the graduate dean must be filed in the Graduate College office before the student registers for the 12th semester hour. For graduation, a student is required to pass at least 36 approved credit hours, of which 18 credit hours must be at the 600 level. These 18 credit hours may include Special Topics, but neither Thesis nor Independent Study. A maximum of 6 credit hours of Thesis shall count toward the 36-hour requirement. Students must pass or be exempted from each of MTH 528 - Advanced Calculus II, MTH 546 - Probability and Statistics II, and MTH 552 - Modern Algebra II. Students may choose either to write and defend an acceptable thesis or pass a comprehensive oral examination. Teaching Assistant Seminar hours do not count toward graduation.

The specific coursework requirements for the program are:

- 18 credit hours of 600-level courses, excluding Thesis and Independent Study.
 - 18 additional credit hours at the 500-level or higher, which will include MTH 528, 546, and 552 unless exempted.
- These additional credit hours may also include an optional 6 credit hours at the 500-level or higher from another department at Marshall offering a graduate program as a minor.

5. New Catalog Description

Insert a 'clean' copy of your proposed description, i.e., no strikethroughs or highlighting included. This should be what you are proposing for the new description. (May attach separate page if needed)

Degree Requirements:

A Plan of Study approved by the department/program and the graduate dean must be filed in the Graduate College office before the student registers for the 12th semester hour. For graduation, a student is required to pass at least 36 approved credit hours, of which 18 credit hours must be at the 600 level. These 18 credit hours may include Special Topics, not more than 3 credit hours of Thesis (for student taking the thesis option), but not Independent Study. Students must pass or be exempted from each of MTH 528 - Advanced Calculus II, MTH 546 - Probability and Statistics II, and MTH 552 - Modern Algebra II. Students may choose either to write and defend an acceptable thesis or pass a comprehensive oral examination. Teaching Assistant Seminar hours do not count toward graduation.

The specific coursework requirements for the program are:

- 18 credit hours of 600 level courses, including not more than 3 credit hours of Thesis, but excluding Independent Study.
- 18 additional credit hours at the 500-level or higher, which will include MTH 528, 546, and 552 unless exempted. These additional credit hours may also include an optional 6 credit hours at the 500-level or higher from another department at Marshall offering a graduate program as a minor.

REQUEST FOR GRADUATE NON-CURRICULAR CHANGES

(36)

Department: GLY/Physical Sciences
 Major/Degree: PHYSICAL AND APPLIED SCIENCE, M.S.
 Request type: Catalog description change
 Contact: William L. Niemann, Ph.D., 304-696-6724
 Rationale: Provides greater detail for program requirements.

To be added after current catalog description:

Admission Requirements

- a. Applicants must have an undergraduate Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale in their major;
- b. Applicants with a GPA between 2.5 and 3.0 in their major may be provisionally admitted to the program with the unanimous approval of Geology Faculty
- c. Applicants who do not meet Marshall's requirements for a B.S. in Geology may be required to take additional courses (as determined by the Geology Faculty), in addition to graduate coursework, to provide an adequate foundation in the area of emphasis. The foundation courses may be undergraduate courses.

Program Requirements

1. The M.S. candidate must pass a qualifying examination during the first eight weeks of their first semester of graduate work. The exam will be administered orally by the Geology faculty and will be coordinated by the student's thesis advisor. The candidate will be allowed two attempts to pass the qualifying exam. If the candidate fails to pass the qualifying exam after two attempts, the candidate must withdraw from the program at the end of his/her first semester and may not re-enter the program until the following academic year.
2. Following successful completion of the qualifying exam, and prior to the end of the first semester of graduate work, the candidate must submit to the Graduate College a Plan of Study approved by the Geology faculty. The Plan must include a total of at least 32 hours, at least 16 of which must be earned in classes numbered 600 or above. In addition, the curriculum must include at least 12 hours of 500-600 level geology courses. A maximum of six hours may be taken as thesis credit.
3. Following approval of the Plan of Study, the candidate must form a thesis committee with the mutual consent of his/her advisor, and nominated faculty. The committee will consist of at least three faculty members with graduate status, at least two of whom are faculty members from the Geology Department. All faculty members on the committee must hold a terminal degree in their field. If agreed by the candidate and his/her advisor, a person from outside the university and familiar with the thesis topic, such as a professional from government or industry, may be added to the committee as an ex-officio member. (Any ex-officio members of the committee will not participate in the qualifying exam).
4. The candidate must submit a thesis proposal by the end of his/her second semester. This document will contain an introduction to the thesis subject, with a clear statement of the significance of the work to be done. Sufficient background on the topic and a proposed plan of research methods to complete the thesis are also required.
5. The candidate will be evaluated by a letter grade in all graduate coursework with the exception of the 6 hours of thesis work, which will be evaluated by a CR/NC grade. No candidate will earn his/her degree unless he/she obtains a "CR" grade for the thesis.
6. The candidate should submit an application for graduation to the Graduate College at the beginning of the semester in which he/she plans to graduate.
7. Upon completion of his/her thesis work, the candidate will submit a draft of the thesis to his/her advisor. Once the draft thesis has been approved by the advisor, the candidate will submit the draft thesis to his/her thesis committee.
8. The candidate must orally present and successfully defend his/her thesis before his/her thesis committee. The oral presentation will not exceed 45 minutes, and will be open to the public. The subsequent question and answer session by the committee will focus solely on the candidate's research, and will be closed to the public. Upon completion of the Q & A session (which should not last more than 45 minutes), the candidate will be asked to leave the room, while the committee members deliberate. The candidate's thesis advisor

~~will communicate the results of deliberation to the candidate. Should the candidate not pass his/her thesis defense, he/she will be allowed two more attempts at defending the thesis. Should the candidate be unsuccessful in defending the thesis after the third attempt, he/she will be removed from the M.S. in Physical and Applied Science. Conference or meeting presentations will not substitute for the oral defense.~~

~~9. The candidate must submit a final copy of his/her thesis with all revisions requested by the committee members to the committee for final approval. Once the committee approves the thesis, the candidate will be given permission to upload a pdf version of the thesis on the Graduate College ETD Administrator website. The candidate's advisor is responsible for proof-reading this version to ensure that it is identical to the version approved by his/her thesis committee.~~

SOJMC

COURSE CHANGES:

(37)

Type of change request:	COURSE DESCRIPTION CHANGE
Department:	SOJMC
Course Number and Title:	JMC 606 Depth Reporting
Rationale:	New description better accommodates web and mobile storytelling tools used for in-depth narrative reporting.
Course Description (old):	Depth reporting of social and environmental activities and problems, with emphasis on thorough research and documentation. Articles will be submitted for publication.
Course Description: (new)	In-depth narrative reporting, with emphasis on thorough research, documentation and use of multimedia storytelling tools for publication.
Catalog Description:	In-depth narrative reporting, with emphasis on thorough research, documentation and use of multimedia storytelling tools for publication.
Contact	Rebecca Johnson, 304-696-2726

(38)

Type of change request:	COURSE TITLE CHANGE
Department:	SOJMC
Current Course Number/Title:	JMC 606 Depth Reporting
New Course Title:	JMC 606 Narrative <u>Storytelling Reporting</u>
Rationale:	Title reflects the growth in long-form narrative storytelling form increasingly used by news organizations. Also, it better fits the New Media graduate program recently approved by the graduate council.
Description:	In-depth narrative reporting, with emphasis on thorough research, documentation and use of multimedia storytelling tools for publication.
Contact	Rebecca Johnson, 304-696-2726

SOP**NEW COURSE ADDITIONS:****(39)**

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 711 Medication Therapy Management
 Catalog Description: The student will learn to resolve medication-related problems to reduce costs and improve outcomes.
 Prerequisites: P3 standing
 First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 1
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

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Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 721 Therapeutics 7: Special Populations
 Catalog Description: This course will emphasize the unique needs and differences in therapeutic recommendations for patients at the extremes of ages, diverse cultural backgrounds, and those with co-morbidities and other health conditions.
 Prerequisites: P-3 Standing
 First Term Offered: Spring 2015
 Credit Hours: 2
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(41)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 722 Pharmacy Practice Management III:
 Patient Safety
 Catalog Description: Further professional development in the management of patient safety policies and procedures. Areas covered include: robotics, medication reconciliation, discharge planning, risk management, and other methods of improving patient safety.
 Prerequisites: P3-Standing
 First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 2
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

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Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: Phar 731 Case Studies
 Catalog Description: Students will apply the principles of patient care, practice management, and public health to drug therapy issues through student-centered, problem-based instructional processes.
 Prerequisites: P3 standing
 First Term Offered: Spring 2015
 Credit Hours: 3
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(43)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 741 Therapeutics 5- Endocrine diseases, genitourinary diseases, and reproduction
 Catalog Description: Students will learn about the therapeutic use of medication and non-medication interventions for both treatment and prevention of endocrine diseases, genitourinary diseases, and reproduction (including conception and disease processes). Exploration of normal human physiology, disease pathophysiology, and the pharmacologic and chemical properties of medications will precede discussions of therapeutic use. This course will emphasize performance of the activities of the pharmacist as a health care provider. Activities emphasized include patient assessment, consultation, monitoring, communication, drug effectiveness (safety, interactions, and adverse events) and the professional and legal dynamics encountered in pharmacy practice.
 Prerequisites: P3-Standing
 First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 4
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(44)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 751 Neurologic and psychiatric diseases
 Catalog Description: Students will learn treatment and prevention of neurological and psychiatric diseases including the physiology, pathophysiology, pharmacology and therapy. This course emphasizes the pharmacist as a health care provider.
 Prerequisites: P3 status
 First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 5
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(45)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 761 Hematology, oncology, nutrition, hepatic and musculoskeletal disorders
 Catalog Description: Students will learn treatment/ prevention of heme-one, nutrition, hepatic and musculoskeletal diseases including the pathophysiology, pharmacology and therapy. This course emphasizes the pharmacist as a health care provider.
 Prerequisites: P3 status
 First Term Offered: Spring 2014
 Credit Hours: 6
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(46)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 801 Special Topics I
 Catalog Description: An opportunity for individual students to gain advanced experiences in practice, research, or service. Students will identify a faculty mentor and jointly develop individualized learning outcomes and a learning plan.
 Prerequisites: P1 or greater standing in the School of Pharmacy with good academic standing. Development of a learning plan(see appendix) with learning outcomes must accompany request for enrollment. Learning plan requires approval of the Associate Dean of Academic and Curricular Affairs.
 First Term Offered: Summer 2014
 Credit Hours: 1 to 6
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(47)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 802 Special Topics II
 Catalog Description: An opportunity for students to didactically explore advanced topics within the profession of pharmacy.
 Prerequisites: P3 standing
 First Term Offered: Summer 2014
 Credit Hours: 1 to 6
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(48)

Department: SOP
 Course number and title: PHAR 815 Ambulatory Care Skills (IPPE 5)
 Catalog Description: Introduces pharmacist student to the ambulatory care setting. Student will demonstrate the ability to develop a therapeutic plan that includes the selection of appropriate drug therapy based on patient characteristics
 Prerequisites: P3 Standing
 First term offered: Fall 2014
 Credit hours: 1
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(49)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 816 Inpatient Clinical Skills
 Catalog Description: The Pharmacist Student will individualize patient therapy and recommend dose adjustment as indicated, assess and apply laboratory information, demonstrate the ability to develop and initiate a therapeutic plan, critical thinking and problem solving, select appropriate drug therapy based on patient characteristics.
 Prerequisites: P3 standing

First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 1
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

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Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 817 Introductory Pharmacy Practice
 Experiences in Practice Management (IPPE 7)
 Catalog Description: Pharmacy management practice in a supervised setting. Students are exposed to the to the role and responsibilities of a pharmacy team leader, manager, or director and the application of management strategy, tools, and responsibilities.
 Prerequisites: P3 Status
 Co-requisite: Intern Licensure per policy
 First Term Offered: Fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 1
 Contact: Glenn Anderson – 62305

(51)

Department: SOP
 Course Number and Title: PHAR 818 Introductory Pharmacy Practice
 Experiences in Education (IPPE 8)
 Catalog Description: The Pharmacist Student will develop and present continuing education programs or active learning exercises, apply instructional as well as learning techniques, and demonstrate mentoring skills. Course Goal: Provide front line experience & exposure to the responsibility of teaching, scholarship, & service demanded of an academic career. Reinforce professionalism through faculty mentorship.
 Prerequisites: P3 standing, Intern Licensure per policy
 FirstTerm Offered: fall 2014
 Credit Hours: 1 (one)

Attachment 5:

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Tracy M. Christofero, Chair, Graduate Council

From: Dr. David J. Pittenger, Associate VP and Dean of the Graduate College

Date: February 18, 2014

RE: Matters related to the editing and revision of the Graduate Catalog

At the last meeting of the Graduate Council, you asked that I revise the format for course lists presented in the various Program Descriptions in the Graduate Catalog. Indeed, there is much variability within the catalog in how courses are listed. As I began to review the matter, I discovered that this inconsistency is a symptom of a larger problem as we have an inefficient workflow that slows the revision of the catalog, creates inconsistencies, and creates opportunities for error.

Most changes to the Graduate Catalog occur when graduate programs make changes to the curriculum. Proposals are posted on the College's SharePoint site for review and revision, as necessary. Once the Graduate Council issues its approval, the minutes are submitted to the president for approval. With this final step, the revision to the Catalog begins. It is at this point that problems arise. The following is a brief list of factors that create problems.

- 1) The minutes are inconsistent in providing complete documentation regarding the changes to be made. Often the minutes refer to an approval but do not include the text of the changes to be made, referring only to a SharePoint site to which the catalog editor does not have access. Although it is possible to request the information from the department in question, this defeats the purpose of using what is approved for the catalog update, since there is no way to compare them.
- 2) The documents that are attached are often not in a computer format that can be readily transferred to the software used to edit the catalog. The PDF documents, while the most appropriate for posting on the Web, are often not editable, and when they are, the text still requires considerable effort to edit and causes errors because of image-to-text conversions.
- 3) The text that programs submit often has errors in grammar and format.
- 4) Departments often request the Catalog's editor to make changes to the program description noting a change in the department's policies. Unless the correction fixes a typographical, spelling, or grammatical error, the requested change has not been approved by the Graduate Council.

I believe we can remedy these problems with dispatch. To begin, we can use MSWord rather than PDF. Su Tams and I agree that it will be easier if we have

faculty use MSWord files as this will make the editing process more efficient. As the forms were created in MSWord we can post those on the College's web page in short order.

A second step will be to create a central archive of all approved revisions that will be accessible by the Catalog's editor, Registrar, members of the Graduate Council, and select members of the administration. Recently, the Provost created a SharePoint site which will serve as the archive for all policies, procedures, and other documents related to Academic Affairs. Within this site, we can create a specific archive for all Graduate Council curricular matters. The Graduate College will continue to maintain its archives (paper copies and electronic files). The Academic Affairs archive will archive the final drafts of documents, in MSWord format, that the Graduate Council has approved. In general, the primary steps will be:

- 1) Department submits to Graduate Council action items using the appropriate MSWord forms.
- 2) Graduate Council subcommittee(s) post forms on Graduate Council SharePoint site for review by members of Graduate Council.
- 3) Graduate Council reviews recommended proposals. The review process may require departments to resubmit forms with revised language.