

## **GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**

The fifth and final meeting of the Graduate Council for 2022-2023 was held Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 3:30 pm in the Auditorium at Wake Forest Biotech Place (575 Patterson Ave. Winston-Salem, NC, 27101) There was also a virtual option available for those individuals not able to join in person.

**Present:** Dwayne Godwin, Brad Jones, Erik Brady, Jennifer Rogers, Ron Von Burg, Mark Ferris, Elizabeth Jensen, Jeff Katula, Ravi Singh, Sarah Simpson, Jennifer Rogers, Grey Ballard, Fred Salsbury, Christian Waugh, Mackenzie Anderson, Brandon Eberl, Ashleigh Jennings, Dixie Ross, Leslie Poole

**Absent:** Lucy D'Agostino McGowan, Adam Hall, John Lukesh, Tracy Criswell

**Guests:** Elizabeth Shilling, Ralph D'Agostino

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. 3-14-23 Graduate Council Minutes

*Minutes were approved unanimously*

2. GSA Report (GSA co-Chairs)

*Elections just held, successfully recruited 7 new members of executive board including new president (Olivia Latham).*

3. Committee Reports

A. Curriculum Committee (Leslie Poole, Chair)

1. Course Change Proposals (approved)

Course Number	Course Name	Action
ARCH 701	Foundations of Addictive Disorders	Change
ARCH 712	Foundations of Addictive Disorders	Change
BIE 619	Concepts of Health and Disease	Change
BIE 690	Special Topics	Change
BIE 701	Historical Foundations of Bioethics	Change
BIE 702	Biomedical Research Ethics	Change
BIE 703	Bioethics Theory	Change
BIE 704	Public Policy, Medicine, and Justice	Change
BIE 705	Clinical Ethics	Change
BIE 706/707	Learning and Doing Bioethics: Methods, Professionalism, and Communication	Change
BIE 708	Research Methods	Change
BIE 709	Ethics of Health Communication	Delete
BIE 710	Global Bioethics	Delete
BIE 711	Current Topics in Clinical and Biomedical Research Ethics	Change
BIE 713	Medical Liability and Treatment Relationships	Change

BIE 715	Bioethics and Religion	Change
BIE 717	Ethics, Economics, and Health Policy	Delete
BIE 721/722	Research/ Independent Study	Change
BIE 723	Bioethics at the Movies	Delete
BIE 725	Health Care Law and Policy	Change
BIE 727	Performable Case Studies in Bioethics	Delete
BIE 729	Bioethics as a Profession	Delete
BIE 731	Bioethics at Work: The IRB	Change
BIE 733	Bioethics at Work: The Clinical Context	Change
BIE 737	Genetics and Bioethics	Change
BIE 739	Neuroethics	Change
BIE 741	Narrative and Bioethics	Change
BIE 757	Biotechnology Law & Policy	Change
BIE 777	Health Related Research: Law, Regulation and Policy	Delete
BIE 790	Biotechnology and Ethics	Change
BIE 794	Bioethics and Law	Delete
BIE 795	Capstone Project	Change
BMSC 713	Applications of Epidemiology	Change
BMSC 792	Capstone Project I	Add
BMSC 793	Capstone Project II	Add
BMSC 794	Capstone Project III	Add
ENG 681	Studies in African American Literature	Change
ENG 687	African-American Fiction	Change
MPHY 712	Ethics and Professionalism in Medical Physics	Add
MPHY 793	Internship	Add
SUS 625	Environmental Decision-Making	Add
SUS 630	Global Coastal Management	Add
TIS 789	Independent Study	Change

*A motion was made to approve all courses. Motion was seconded. All courses approved unanimously.*

## **B. Credentials Committee (Grey Ballard, Chair)**

### **1. Nominations for Graduate Faculty**

Name	Department/Graduate Program Affiliation
Amish Asthana, PhD	Surgery, SBES
Carlos Fasola, PhD	Interpreting and Translation Studies
César Gutiérrez, PhD	Spanish
Guiseppe Orlando, MD, PhD	Surgery/SBES
Polly Black, PhD	Communication
Ron Doyle, PhD	Computer Science
Timothy C. Sell, PhD	Musculoskeletal Institute, SBES

*(Credentials Committee continued)*

### **2. Spring 2023 Re-credentialing- Second batch (materials for committee in Google Drive)**

Elizabeth	Shilling	Surgery
Laura	Cox	Internal Medicine
Michael	Olivier	Internal Medicine
Jeffrey	Solomon	Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies / English
James	Yoo	Institute for Regenerative Medicine
Nicole	Levi-Polyachenko	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
Robert	Atchison	Communication
Stephen	Kritchevsky	IPP, CPTS, HES
Capri	Foy	Public Health Sciences - Social Sciences & Health Policy
Haiying	Chen	Public Health Sciences - Biostatistical Sciences
Janet	Tooze	Public Health Sciences - Biostatistical Sciences

*A motion was made to approval all Graduate Faculty nominations and re-credentialing forms. Motion was seconded. All were unanimously approved.*

**C.** Policy Committee (Fred Salisbury, Chair) – no updates

**D.** Long Range Planning Committee – no updates

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Addiction Research and Clinical Health (ARCH) Curriculum Edits – Minor edits to remove a track requirement for clinical and research students and add two ARCH courses to the core curriculum. (Elizabeth Shilling)

*A motion was made to approve the ARCH curriculum edits. Motion seconded.*

*Unanimously approved.*

2. Clinical Research Management (CRM) 4+1 agreement with Salem College – Plan for students to complete BS at Salem and MS at WFU in Clinical Research Management within an accelerated time frame. (Ralph D'Agostino)

*No arrangement exists yet for WFU or WSSU, but the CRM program is open to it.*

*A motion was made to approve CRM 4+1 agreement with Salem College. Motion seconded. Approved unanimously.*

3. Clinical Research Management (CRM) Program Changes – A decelerated plan of study that allows students to take classes over nine semesters rather than the current five-semester plan. (Ralph D'Agostino)

*Implication for students of the decelerated plan is that some semesters may not have a high enough load for federal financial aid.*

*A motion was made to approve CRM Program changes. Motion seconded. Approved unanimously.*

4. A one-year 12-credit hour certificate program in Project Management OR Regulatory Affairs. (Ralph D'Agostino)

*The certificate program would be based on the existing curriculum for Masters program. The Masters degree is still a more powerful means of promotion within an organization or entrance into the field.*

*A motion was made to approve the 1-year 12-credit hour certificate program in Project Management or Regulatory Affairs. Motion seconded. Unanimously approved.*

5. Computer Science Program Change (see below)

**Proposal to Remove CSC 702 From Core Courses in MS Program in Computer Science**

The MS Program for Computer Science currently has four core courses that all students must take:

The following courses are identified as the core courses for the degree and are required of all students (see p. 66 in Graduate Bulletin):

Code	Title	Hours
CSC 631	Software Engineering	3
CSC 641	Operating Systems	3
CSC 702	Theory of Computation	3
CSC 721	Theory of Algorithms	3

The CS Department has voted and approved to replace CSC 702 Theory of Computations with a general 700-level course. We will move the most important parts of the class into CSC 721 Theory of Algorithms in the future but no change to the course description of CSC 721 is requested at this time as we identify which parts to move.

The MS Program has three tracks, thesis, project, and course-only, as well as a 5Y BS/MS Program. This proposed change affects all of them.

*A motion was made to approve Computer Science program changes. Motion seconded. Approved unanimously.*

6. Statistics MS Program Change (see below)



Department of Statistical Sciences

3/27/2023

Dear WFU Graduate School Council,

On behalf of the WFU Department of Statistical Sciences Graduate committee, we would like to modify the required courses for the degree of Master of Science in Statistics. The [current bulletin](#) from the Graduate School of Art and Sciences describes the curriculum such that all students take four required courses: STA 612 Linear Models, **STA 710 Stochastic Processes and Applications**, STA 711 Advanced Statistical Inference, and STA 712 Generalized Linear Models; also **one additional 3-hour 700 level course** must be taken, in addition to other requirements.

We propose to modify the current requirements such that **we will no longer require STA 710** as a requirement for an MS in statistics, and we will now require **two** additional 3-hour 700 level courses. A summary of the changes are in the table below, with changes in bold:

	Old Requirements		New Requirements	
	Coursework	Thesis	Coursework	Thesis
Required 700-level classes	<b>STA 710, 711, 712</b>	<b>STA 710, 711, 712</b>	<b>STA 711, 712</b>	<b>STA 711, 712</b>
Required 600-level classes	STA 612	STA 612	STA 612	STA 612
Number of Additional 700-level classes	<b>One 3-hour course</b>	<b>One 3-hour course</b>	<b>Two 3-hour courses</b>	<b>Two 3-hour courses</b>
Number of Additional classes	Seven 3-hour courses	Three 3-hour courses	Seven 3-hour courses	Three 3-hour courses
Additional Requirements	none	STA791, 792	none	STA791, 792
Total Hours Required	36	30	36	30

These changes would keep STA 710 as an option for all MS students while also permitting future expansion of course offerings at the 700 level. These modifications have been approved by the graduate program committee as well as the faculty of the Department of Statistical Sciences. We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Daniel P. Beavers  
 Associate Professor  
 Graduate Program Director  
 Department of Statistical Sciences

*A motion was made to approve Statistics program changes. Motion seconded. Approved unanimously*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Meeting adjourned.*