California State University, Northridge
Graduate Studies Committee
Annual Report 2013-2014

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Meetings

September 10
October 8
November 12
December 10
February 11
March 11
April 15
May 13

The Graduate Studies Committee (GSC) met eight times during the 2013-2014 academic year (specific dates listed above). Committee members participated in program reviews for the following departments: Anthropology, Computer Science and Software Engineering, Family and Consumer Sciences, Humanities, Linguistics and TESL, and Recreation and Tourism Management.

This year the committee reviewed and approved curriculum from eight academic colleges, which included new programs: two options in Teaching as a Second Language and Instructional Games and Simulations for the M.A. in Education; and two options in Hospitality Management and Tourism Management for the M.S. in Tourism, Hospitality, and Recreation Management. The committee also approved new certificate programs: Certificate in Hospitality Management; Certificate in Tourism Management; Graduate Certificate for Instructional Games and Simulations; and University Certificate in TESL.

The GSC moved to approve the Graduate Probation and Disqualification Policy and the Post-baccalaureate Credential Probation and Disqualification Policy. The committee chose to revise and clarify the existing policy to help students understand the thresholds and processes for probation and disqualification. The policy was passed by the Faculty Senate and approved by President Harrison on May 7, 2014.

The GSC moved to approve the Written Syllabi for All CSUN Courses Policy. The GSC and the Educational Policies Committee (EPC) wanted to revise the existing policies and have one policy for graduate and undergraduate students. Students and faculty will both benefit when the syllabus is made available no later than the first class meeting: students will be able to gauge more quickly what will be required of them, and faculty will have a written plan in place to support teaching and learning beginning with the first class meeting. The proposed changes will also provide greater clarity for students with respect to course content, requirements, expectations, and including additional contact information will make it easier for students to reach faculty. Adding dates of revision when the syllabus changes will protect both students and faculty in the case of a grade appeal. The GSC and EPC sent the policy recommendation to the Faculty Senate for review in fall 2014.

The GSC moved to approve the revised GSC Operating Standard Procedures and Curriculum Review Process Manual. The committee wanted to revise the current manual since it had not been updated since 2007-2008.
Summary of Approved Curriculum

College of Arts, Media, and Communication

Art

Course modification:
ART 437-Printmaking III: Change requisites.

New course:
ART 510-Methods and Practice of Art History

Cinema and Television Arts

Course modification:

Music

Course modifications:
MUS 483ME-Music Entrepreneurship: Change unit value, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.
MUS 687-Graduate Chamber Music: Change course classification.
MUS 694-Seminar in the Aesthetics of Music: Delete the course.

New course:
MUS 483MEL-Music Entrepreneurship Lab

Theatre

Course modification:
TH 594-Internship in the Arts: Change course classification.

College of Business and Economics

Accounting and Information Systems

Course modifications:
ACCT 610-Tax Research and Communication: Change course title, course abbreviation, and subject abbreviation number.
ACCT 611-Ethics and Communication for Accounting Professionals: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, subject abbreviation number, and requisites.
ACCT 615-Contemporary Issues in Accounting: Change subject abbreviation number and requisites.
ACCT 620-Income Tax Concepts and Their Business Applications: Change subject abbreviation number.
IS 630-Accounting Information Systems: Change subject abbreviation number and requisites.

New course:
ACCT 697-Directed Comprehensive Studies in Accountancy

Program modifications:
Change program requirements for the M.S. in Accountancy.
Change program requirements for the M.S. in Taxation.

**Business Administration**

Experimental topics course:
GBUS 695K-Seminar in Marketing (1st offering)

**College of Education**

**Education**

New program:
Graduate Certificate for Instructional Games and Simulations

New courses:
EDUC 601-Introduction to Instructional Games and Simulations
EDUC 602-Introduction to Game Scripting and Development
EDUC 603-Instructional Games and Simulations
EDUC 604-Assessing Learning from Educational Media
EDUC 605-Instructional Games and Simulations Seminar

**Educational Leadership and Policy Studies**

Course modifications:
ELPS 684-Field Based Leadership: Change unit value.
ELPS 685-Inducation Plan: Change unit value.
ELPS 686-Assessment of Candidate Competence: Change unit value.
ELPS 689-Practicum: Change unit value.

Program modification:
Decrease total number of units for the Clear Administrative Services Credential Program.
**Educational Psychology and Counseling**

New programs:
New option in Teaching English as a Second Language for the M.A. in Education.
New option in Instructional Games and Simulations for the M.A. in Education.

**Elementary Education**

Course modification:
EED 651-Curriculum Assessment: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.

New courses:
EED 672-Family Literacy and Community Assets: Teacher Advocacy in Multicultural/Multilingual Settings
EED 676-Multicultural Arts Education

Program modifications:
Decrease total number of units for the Reading Language Arts Specialist Credential Program.
Change the name and program requirements for the M.A. in Education, Elementary Education Option in Multicultural/Multilingual.

**Secondary Education**

Experimental topics course:
SED 595K-Foundations of Literacy: Theory and Practice (1st offering)

**College of Engineering and Computer Science**

**Computer Science**

Course modifications:
COMP 589-Software Metrics: Change course description and requisites.
COMP 680-Software Engineering: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.

Experimental topics courses:
COMP 595MC/L-Mobile Computing and Lab (2nd offering)

**Electrical and Computer Engineering**

Experimental topics courses:
ECE 595DEG-Distributed Energy Generation (2nd offering)
ECE 695DFP-Microelectronics Device Fabrication Principles (3rd offering)
Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management

Experimental topics course:
MSE 695SUS-Sustainability for Engineers (2nd offering)

Mechanical Engineering

Course modifications:
AE 697-Directed Comprehensive Studies: Change course description.
AE 698A,B,C-Thesis or Graduate Project: Change course description.
ME 697-Directed Comprehensive Studies: Change course description.
ME 698A,B,C-Thesis or Graduate Project: Change course description.

Experimental topics course:
ME 496FCT-Fuel Cell Technology (1st offering)

Program modification:
Change program requirements for the M.S. in Mechanical Engineering.

College of Health and Human Development

Environmental and Occupational Health

Experimental topics course:
EOH 595TL-Critical Analysis of the Technical Literature in Environmental and Occupational Health (1st offering)

Family and Consumer Sciences

Experimental topics course:
FCS 496S-Sustainability in Family and Consumer Sciences (2nd offering)

Course modifications:
FCS 690J-Seminar: Advances in Family and Consumer Sciences: Change the number of times the course may be taken.
FCS 690I-Seminar: Advances in Family and Consumer Sciences: Change the number of times the course may be taken.

New courses:
FCS 413/L-3D Computer Applications for Interior Design
FCS 422-Family Financial Counseling
**Health Sciences**

Experimental topics course:  
HSCI 595D-Public Health Policy: Processes and Development (5th offering)

**Kinesiology**

Course modification:  
KIN 428-Aesthetics of Human Movement: Change course description and requisites.

New courses:  
KIN 405-Ethics and Kinesiology  
KIN 410-Psychosocial Aspects of Athletic Injury  
KIN 421-Advanced Urban Contemporary Dance

**Physical Therapy**

Course modifications:  
PT 700/L-Applied Human Anatomy for Physical Therapists I and Lab: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.  
PT 701/L-Applied Human Anatomy for Physical Therapists II and Lab: Delete the lecture and lab.  
PT 752A-Evidence-Based Physical Therapy Practice II: Change catalog description and requisites.  
PT 752B-Evidence-Based in Physical Therapy Practice III: Change catalog description and requisites.  
PT 752C-Supervised Doctoral Project: Change catalog description and requisites.

Program modification:  
Decrease the total units in program for the Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

**Recreation and Tourism Management**

Course modifications:  
RTM 610-Sustainable Tourism: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.  
RTM 620-Organizational Theory in Recreational Sport: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.  
RTM 684-Advanced Research Methods and Design: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.

New courses:  
RTM 500-Foundations in Tourism Hospitality and Recreation  
RTM 614-Advanced Food and Beverage Management  
RTM 634-Contemporary Issues in Accommodations Management  
RTM 660-Crisis Management for Tourism, Hospitality, or Recreation Organizations
RTM 698D-Graduate Culminating Project

New programs:
Certificate in Hospitality Management
Certificate in Tourism Management
New option in Hospitality Management for the M.S. in Tourism, Hospitality, and Recreation Management
New option in Tourism Management for the M.S. in Tourism, Hospitality, and Recreation Management

**College of Humanities**

*English*

Experimental topics courses:
ENGL 595PB-Picture Book Theory (2nd offering)

*Linguistics/TESL*

New program:
University Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL)

**College of Science and Mathematics**

*Biology*

Course modification:
BIOL 410/L-Medical Microbiology and Lab: Change course description and requisites.

New course:
BIOL 467/L-Bacterial Genetics and Lab

*Chemistry and Biochemistry*

Experimental topics courses:
CHEM 595P-Investigating Protein Structure and Function (2nd offering)
CHEM 595Q-Structure, Function, Engineering, and Therapeutic Uses of Antibodies (1st offering)

**College of Science and Mathematics**

Experimental topics course:
SCI 495-Ultra Microscopy (2nd offering)
**Geological Sciences**

Course modification:
GEOL 699A-C-Independent Study: Change the number of times the courses may be taken.

New course:
GEOL 548/L-Seismology and Lab

**Physics and Astronomy**

Course modification:
PHYS 489-Mathematical Physics: Change course title, course abbreviation, and requisites.

Experimental topics course:
PHYS 595CL-Math Physics Climate Change (3rd offering)

New course:
PHYS 585-Computational Materials Theory

**College of Social and Behavioral Sciences**

**Anthropology**

Course modifications:
ANTH 697-Directed Comprehensive Studies: Change the course description and basis of grading.

New course:
ANTH 490E-Seminar in Anthropology: Applied Anthropology

**Geography**

Course modifications:
GEOG 690A-Special Topics in GIS: Change the course description and number of times the course may be taken.
GEOG 690C-Digital Cartography: Change the course description and number of times the course may be taken.
GEOG 690E-Image Interpretation: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
GEOG 690F-Methods in GIS: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
GEOG 690G-Applications in GIS: Change the course description and number of times the course may be taken.
GEOG 690H-Environmental Applications in GIS: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
New courses:
GEOG 690I-Advanced Geospatial Project Management
GEOG 698D-Graduate Project

Program modifications:
Change the name for the M.A. in Geography, GIS Option.
Change program requirements for the M.A. in Geography, GIS Option.

Political Science

Experimental topics course:
POLS 496LP-Latina/o Politics (2nd offering)

Program modification:
Change program requirements for the M.A. in Political Science.

Psychology

Experimental topics course:
PSY 496RL-Object Relations, Romantic Love, and Attachment Theories (1st offering)

Program modification:
Change program requirements for the graduate options in Clinical Psychology and General Experimental Psychology and correct the number of units for the General Experimental program.

Public Administration

Program modification:
Add one 3-unit elective to the Health Administration Option for the Masters in Public Administration program.

Sociology

New courses:
SOC 415-Gender and Criminal Justice
SOC 428-Domestic Violence