California State University, Northridge
Graduate Studies Committee
Annual Report 2014-2015

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Meetings

September 9
October 14
November 18
December 9
February 10
March 10
April 14
May 12

The Graduate Studies Committee (GSC) met eight times during the 2014-2015 academic year (specific dates listed above). Committee members participated in program reviews for the following departments: Assistive Technology Engineering, Assistive Technology Studies and Human Services, Cinema and Television Arts, Computer Science and Software Engineering, Family and Consumer Sciences, Humanities, Linguistics and TESL.

This year the committee reviewed and approved curriculum from eight academic colleges, which included new programs: concentrations in Entrepreneurship, Human Resources and Sustainability for the Masters in Business Administration program, M.S. in Finance, General Education Induction Credential for Multiple and Single Subject, option in Entrepreneurship and Innovation for the M.S. Engineering Management, option in Applied Epidemiology for the M.P.H. program, and M.S. in Applied Behavior Analysis. The committee also approved two new certificate programs: Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management for Engineering Professionals and Certificate of Preparation for Advanced Studies in Communication Disorders and Sciences.

The GSC moved to approve the CSUN Syllabus policy. The Educational Policies Committee and the Graduate Studies Committee chose to have a single syllabus policy for all classes (both graduate and undergraduate). The policy was passed by the Faculty Senate and approved by President Harrison on March 17, 2015.

The GSC formed a subcommittee to revise the culminating experience descriptions in the University Catalog. Beverly Cabello, Lesley Krane, Beth Halaas, Rick Moore, Maggie Shiffrar, Mary-Pat Stein and Andrew Weiss volunteered to serve on the subcommittee. The subcommittee created a survey for graduate coordinators to complete, describing their program’s culminating experience. The GSC members contacted their assigned graduate coordinators to ensure that the program’s information was correctly and accurately reflected. The committee will review the data to revise the Culminating Experience language in the Catalog.

Jack Solomon, Director of Academic Assessment and Program Review informed the GSC that WASC and the CSU Chancellor’s Office have now turned their attention to graduate assessment. He stated that WASC is requiring Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO) across the campus for graduate programs. Solomon suggested the GSC create campus-wide ILOs for all graduate programs. He recommended the committee review the Geological Sciences
catalog webpage as an excellent example of well developed and assessable Program Learning Outcomes and Student Learning Outcomes. The committee will review the Geological Sciences catalog webpage as well as contact Social Work, Business, Education and Physical Therapy for examples of assessment models that have passed accreditation.

Summary of Approved Curriculum

College of Arts, Media, and Communication

Art

Course modification:
ART 448-History of Contemporary Art: Change course description and requisites.

Cinema and Television Arts

Course modification:
CTVA 625-Writing the Feature Length Screenplay: Change number of times the course may be taken.

Communication Studies

New course:
COMS 406-Performance Composition

Journalism

Course modification:
MCOM 694C-Internships: Change the course classification.

College of Business and Economics

Business Administration

Experimental topics courses:
GBUS 695J-Negotiation (4th offering)
GBUS 695L-Entrepreneurship (1st offering)
GBUS 695M-Data Mining and Business Analytics (1st offering)

New program:
Add new concentrations (not to appear on the diploma) in Entrepreneurship, Human Resources and Sustainability to the Masters in Business Administration program.
**Finance, Financial Planning and Insurance**

New program:
M.S. in Finance

New courses for the M.S. in Finance:
FIN 631-Applied Financial Modeling
FIN 640-Seminar in Valuation
FIN 660-Derivatives
FIN 662-Fixed Income Securities
FIN 664-Mergers and Acquisitions
FIN 671-Wealth Management
FIN 673-Risk and Insurance Management
FIN 675-Tax Management
FIN 677-Advanced Topics in Wealth Management
FIN 691-Quantitative Methods
FIN 698D-Graduate Project

**College of Education**

**Educational Leadership and Policy Studies**

Program modification:
Change the program requirements for the M.A. in Educational Administration, Higher Education Option.

**Educational Psychology and Counseling**

Course modifications:
EPC 611-Seminar in Educational Psychology: Change course description.
EPC 641-Evaluation in the Bilingual Classroom: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description and requisites.
EPC 659E-Fieldwork in School Psychology: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description and requisites.
EPC 659F-Fieldwork in School Psychology: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description and requisites.
EPC 659Q-Fieldwork in Counseling Services: MFT Specialization: Change course description.
EPC 663A/L-Clinical and Psychometrics Assessment Techniques and Lab: Change course title and course abbreviation.
EPC 663B/L-Clinical and Psychometrics Assessment Techniques and Lab: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
EPC 665-School Based Counseling of Children and Teens: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
EPC 667-Introduction to School Psychology: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.
EPC 671-Law and Ethics and Professional Issues in Counseling: Change course description and the number of times the course may be taken.

Program modification:
Change the program requirements for the M.S. in Counseling: Option: School Psychology.

**Elementary Education**

Course modifications:
EED 520-Teaching Reading in the Elementary School: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.
EED 565S-Science Curriculum and Methods: Change unit value, course description and requisites.
EED 651-Curriculum Assessment: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.
EED 565M-Mathematics Curriculum and Methods: Change course description and requisites.
EED 577-Language Arts and ESL Instruction: Change course title, course abbreviation, and course description.

New course:
EED 502-Advancing Student Learning and Achievement: Systematic Formative Assessment, Research-Based Pedagogy, and Universal Access

New program:
General Education Induction Credential for Multiple and Single Subject

Program modifications:
Increase the total units in the program from 40 to 41 units for the Multiple Subject Credential Program - Accelerated Collaborative Teacher (ACT) Preparation Program Pathway.
Increase the total units in the program from 39 to 40 units for the Multiple Subject Credential Program - Internship Pathway.
Increase the total units in the program from 40 to 41 units Multiple Subject Credential Program - Accelerated Collaborative Teacher (ACT) Preparation Program Pathway.

**College of Engineering and Computer Science**

**Computer Science**

Experimental topics course:
COMP 595MC/L-Mobile Computing and Lab (3rd offering)
**Electrical and Computer Engineering**

Experimental topics courses:
ECE 595DEG-Distributed Energy Generation (3rd offering)
ECE 695DFP-Microelectronics Device Fabrication Principles (3rd offering)

**Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management**

Course modifications:
MSE 602-Engineering Innovation Management: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.
MSE 608B-Management of Engineering Professionals: Change course title, course abbreviation, course description, and requisites.
MSE 617-Seminar in Quality Management: Change course description and requisites.
MSE 698C-Thesis or Graduate Project: Change course abbreviation, course description, requisites, and number of times course may be taken.

New courses:
MSE 540-Sustainability for Engineers
MSE 600-Decision Tools for Engineering Managers
MSE 606-Production and Operations Management for Engineers
MSE 610-Engineering Supply Chain Systems
MSE 698D-Engineering Management Graduate Project

New programs:
Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management for Engineering Professionals was approved.
Add a new option in Entrepreneurship and Innovation for the M.S. Engineering Management.

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

**College of Health and Human Development**

**Assistive Technology Studies and Human Services**

Program Conversion:
CSU template proposal to convert the pilot program to regular program status for the M.S. in Assistive Technology Studies and Human Services was approved.

**Communication Disorders and Sciences**

New program:
Certificate of Preparation for Advanced Studies in Communication Disorders and Sciences
Program modification:
Update the catalog entry for the M.S. in Communicative Disorders program, Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential, and include the Certificate of Preparation for Advanced Studies in Communication Disorders and Sciences.

**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**

Course modifications:
FCS 570-Practicum in Nutrition Therapy: Change number of times the course may be taken.
FCS 571-Practicum in Food Service Systems Management: Change number of times the course may be taken.
FCS 572-Practicum in Community Nutrition: Change number of times the course may be taken.

**Health Sciences**

Course modifications:
HSCI 539-Seminar: Current Issues in Health Education: Change course title and course description.
HSCI 541-Administration, Supervision and Consultation in Health Education: Change course title and course description.

Experimental topics courses:
HSCI 595D-Public Health Policy: Processes and Development (3rd offering)
HSCI 595E-Women’s Global Health (1st offering)

New courses:
HSCI 592A-Advanced Biostatistics II
HSCI 695-Public Health Program Evaluation
HSCI 696-Advanced Epidemiologic Research Methods

New program:
Add a new option in Applied Epidemiology for the M.P.H. program.

**Kinesiology**

New course:
KIN 453/L-Evaluation, Assessment and Program Development for People with Physical Disabilities and Lab
Physical Therapy

Program modification:
Delete the Masters in Physical Therapy program.

Recreation and Tourism Management

Course modifications:
RTM 693B-Supervised Internship II: Change course units, course classification, and course description.
RTM 697-Directed Comprehensive Studies: Change course units and course classification.

Program modification:
Change program requirements in the options for the M.S. in Tourism, Hospitality, and Recreation Management.

College of Humanities

Chicana/o Studies

Program modification:
Change the program requirements for the M.A. in Chicana/o Studies.

English

New course:
ENGL 525A-Z-Topics in English and Cultural Studies

Program modifications:
Change the GRE requirement for the M.A. in English.
Change the catalog copy to reflect new course and to correct an error for the M.A. in English.

Linguistics/TESL

New courses:
LING 510-Foundational Concepts in Linguistics
LING 517-Foundational Concepts of Language Development and Acquisition
LING 541-Seminar in Sociolinguistics

Program modifications:
Increase the total units in the program from 30 to 39 units for the M.A. in Linguistics.
Decrease the total units in the program from 42 to 39 units for the M.A. in TESL.
College of Science and Mathematics

Biology

Program modification:
Add BIOL 551/L to the list of quantitative analysis courses for the M.S. in Biology.

Geological Sciences

Course modifications:
GEOL 430A-Summer Field Geology A: Change course classification, course description and requisites.
GEOL 430B-Summer Field Geology B: Change course classification, course description and requisites.

Mathematics

Program modification:
Delete the Mathematics for Educational Careers option for the M.S. in Mathematics.

Physics and Astronomy

Course modifications:
PHYS 402-Analytical Mechanics II: Change course description and requisites.
PHYS 410-Electromagnetism II: Change course description and requisites.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Anthropology

Course modification:
ANTH 694-Practicum in Cultural Resource Management: Change course description and basis of grading.

New courses:
ANTH 474-Quantitative Methods in Anthropology
ANTH 608-Problems in Applied Anthropology

Program modification:
Increase the total units from 30 to 33 units by adding a required seminar and change requirements for classification status for the M.A. in Anthropology, General Track.
History

New courses:
HIST 594-History Internship Program
HIST 692A-Z-Selected Topics in Research

Political Science

New course:
POLS 441A-Latina/o Politics

Psychology

New program:
Elevate the Behavioral Clinical Psychology option to a full degree program - M.S. in Applied Behavior Analysis.

Program modification:
Delete the Human Factors option for the M.A. in Psychology.