Graduate Studies Committee Report to the Policy Council for 2006-2007

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Meetings: Three completed; one scheduled for the end of April

Course Proposals

Approved:
N510
K529
T515 – Approved pending clarification of course title

Not Approved (To Date):
A631 – Issues concerning course number – sent back to Toutkoushian for review

Other Submissions to Committee

Monroe County Teacher Leader Program
This program for MCCSC teachers was submitted to the GSC in order to obtain approval to refocus its mission. Committee passed it with revisions.

Revision of the Science Education Ph.D. Comprehensive Qualifying Exam
Passed with the understanding that during the transition the department will be accommodating to students.

Retired Faculty Guidelines
The committee addressed the issue of emeritus faculty and their role on dissertation committees. It was agreed that department chairs should have ultimate say since the number of faculty able to serve on this committees varies greatly by discipline. Proposal was passed and forwarded to Policy Council.

Waiver of GRE Requirement for IST Certification Students Applying for a Masters
This proposal is specific to certification students with a cumulative GPA of 3.7 moving from certification to masters. It is similar to a measure in ELPS. The measure passed and was forwarded to Policy Council

Name Change for Masters in Educational Psychology to Learning and Developmental Sciences, and Establish a Learning Sciences and Educational Psychology Tracks Within the Renamed Degree
The committee returned to the department for clarification on the various tracks since there was no indication that this is even an existing program.

**Proposal for Inquiry Methodology Ph.D. Program**
The committee was very appreciative of this new program and approved it pending minor changes which were made. It was forwarded to Policy Council. Along with this new program the following New Course Requests were also approved:

Y515 Foundations of Educational Inquiry
Y521 Methodological Approaches to Educational Inquiry
Y525 Survey Research Methodology
Y600 Methodological Implications of Social & Psychological Theories
Y612 Critical Qualitative Inquiry I
Y613 Critical Qualitative Inquiry II
Y625 Latent Variables & Structural Equation Modeling
Y630 Narrative Theory and Inquiry
Y631 Discourse Theory and Analysis
Y637 Longitudinal Modeling
Y638 Multilevel Modeling
Y639 Categorical data analysis
Y660 Affinity Research Group
Y671 Knowledge, Reflection & Critique in Methodological Theory
Y672 Communicative Action Theory

**Changes to Language Education Program**
Approved by the committee pending a course change request for L601 and syllabus.

**Other Issues**

**Composition of Committee**
The GSC is mostly composed of C&I faculty. While the committee does not want to be overly large, better representation of departments in the future is preferable.

**Committee Fatigue**

**Pending Items**

1. A631
2. Correspondence with Galindo Regarding Committees
3. Art Education Program would like to clarify and revise procedures for taking the qualifying exam within our program area