

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Graduate Council**

Baker, Credence - <i>Chair</i>	Fragoso-Diaz, Gloria	Morgan, Ryan
Shipman, Brandon – <i>ex-officio</i>	Garcia, D. Elizabeth	Ryou, Myoung
Dunn, Elizabeth – <i>ex-officio</i>	Heller, Nathan	Sanderford, Max
Hancock, Michele – <i>ex-officio</i>	Joiner, Sue	Schuessler, Joseph
Freed, Rusty – <i>ex-officio</i>	Kinman, Lea Ann	Smith, Martha
Bagwell, Matt	Leach, Lesley	Stafford, Paul
Breedon, Jeff	Loya, Melody	Tarpley, Rudy
Cook, Scott	Mallernee, Emily [ <i>student</i> ]	Thomas, Charles
Cruz, Richard	Martin, Chet	Weber, Mark
Eichenberg, George	Mathewson, Heather	Westbrook, Gary
Faulkenberry, Eileen	McPherson, Cynthia	Xu, Jun
Faulkenberry, Thomas	Merriman, Julie	

**Minutes from the Meeting of May 19, 2020**

The Graduate Council met on May 19, 2020 at 1:30 pm via Zoom. The following agenda was presented along with the minutes of the meeting in April 2020.

**Members Present:** Baker, Hancock, Freed, Bagwell, Cook, Eichenberg, E. Faulkenberry, Fragoso-Diaz, Heller, Joiner, Kinman, Leach, Loya, Martin, Mathewson, K. Mollick for McPherson, Merriman, Morgan, Ryou, Sanderford, Schuessler, Smith, Stafford, Tarpley, D. Taylor, Thomas, Xu

**Members Absent:** Breedon, Cruz, T. Faulkenberry, Garcia, Mallernee, Weber, Westbrook

**Agenda Item 1:** New member: Dr. Jun Xu, *Dept. of Engineering and Computer Science*

**Agenda Item 2:** Minutes of the April 21, 2020 meeting

Dr. E. Faulkenberry moved to approve, Dr. Loya seconded, minutes approved.

**Agenda Item 3:** *Dept. of Engineering Technology*

Department	Program/Course	Change Request	Item No.	Effective Term
Engineering Technology	QEM-MS - QEM-MS: Master of Science in Quality and Engineering Management	Updating courses to reflect current course listing and content. Removed MGMT 5310 and replaced it with ENGT 5303 in the non-thesis option.	P94	Fall 2021

Dr. Stafford moved to approve, Dr. Morgan seconded, agenda item 3 was approved.

**Agenda Item 4:** *Dept. of Counseling*

Department	Program/Course	Change Request	Item No.	Effective Term
Counseling	CMHC-MS - CMHC-MS: Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Adding in the new elective courses.	P112	Fall 2021

Dr. Loya moved to approve, Dr. E. Faulkenberry seconded, agenda item 4 was approved.

**Agenda Item 5:** *Dept. of Engineering and Computer Science*

Department	Program/Course	Change Request	Item No.	Effective Term
Engineering and Computer Science	MEEN-MS - MEEN-MS: Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering	The prospective students that are interested in a graduate degree in mechanical engineering include traditional and non-traditional students. Many traditional students are interested in pursuing graduate degrees. We have also received many similar inquiries from non-traditional working professionals. A career in mechanical engineering allows a student to build a better future. This explains why 89% of engineers have high levels of job satisfaction and would choose the same career path again. The Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering is designed to prepare students for career advancement, or for further studies at the doctoral level. Bureau of Labor Statistics data suggests that the employment of mechanical engineers is projected to grow 4 percent from 2018 to 2028. Driving this growth are innovations within the automation, medical device, biotechnology, and aerospace industries. Conducting a job search of mechanical engineering at Indeed.com, a premier engineer job site, there are 20,779 active job openings, which demonstrate the demand of the mechanical engineers.	P296	Fall 2021

Dr. Frago-Diaz moved to approve, Dr. Morgan seconded, agenda item 5 was approved.

**Agenda Item 6:** Senior Scholarship-Admission Initiative

Dr. Baker announced the Senior Scholars scholarship available to graduating seniors. It includes \$1500 and a \$50 fee waiver.