### TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

#### **Graduate Council**

Fragoso-Diaz, Gloria	Merriman, Julie
Garcia, D. Elizabeth	Morgan, Ryan
Heller, Nathan	Mundine, Jennifer
Joiner, Sue	Ryou, Myoung
Kinman, Lea Ann	Sanderford, Max
Leach, Lesley	Schuessler, Joseph
Loya, Melody	Stafford, Paul
Mallernee, Emily [student]	Tarpley, Rudy
Martin, Chet	Thomas, Charles
Mathewson, Heather	Weber, Mark
McPherson, Cynthia	Westbrook, Gary
	Garcia, D. Elizabeth Heller, Nathan Joiner, Sue Kinman, Lea Ann Leach, Lesley Loya, Melody Mallernee, Emily [student] Martin, Chet Mathewson, Heather

### Minutes from the Meeting of September 17, 2019

The Graduate Council met on September 17, 2019 at 2:00 pm in the Library Training Center. The following agenda was presented along with the minutes of the meeting in July 2019.

Members Present: Lambert, Baker, Cook, Cruz, Eichenberg, E. Faulkenberry, T. Faulkenberry Fragoso-Diaz, Heller, Leach, Loya, Mallernee, Martin, McPherson, Merriman, Morgan, Ryou, Herrmann for Sanderford, Stafford, Tarpley, Thomas, Weber, Westbrook

Members Absent: Freed, Breeden, Garcia, Joiner, Jones, Mundine, Schuessler

Agenda Item 1: New member introductions

Dr. Lambert announced Dr. Scott Cook, Dr. Jennifer Mundine, Dr. Kristin Herrmann filling in for Dr. Sanderford, Ms. Emily Mallernee, our student rep., and Dr. Adam Mitchell filling in for Dr. Heather Mathewson.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes of the July 15, 2019 meeting.

The minutes from the July 15th meeting were approved.

Agenda Item 3: Consent curriculum items

Dr. Tom Faulkenberry moved to approve, Dr. Eileen Faulkenberry seconded, consent items were approved.

Department	Program/Course	Change Request	Item No.	Effective Term
Biological Sciences	BIOL 5361	Updating pre-requisite courses	C361	Fall 2020
Biological Sciences	BIOL 5331	Prerequisite BIOL 3403 no longer exists. Changed to the updated genetics course code. Catalog Editor requested that we list graduate course pre-requisites as topics as opposed to our course numbering.	C251	Fall 2020
School of Kinesiology	KINE 5088	Updating prerequisite from KINE 5301 to KINE 5303 since 5301 is no longer being taught.	C1203	Fall 2020
Mathematics	MATH 5376	Modifying course title and course description to clarify the content of the course and to meet SACSCOC credentialing requirements for our program graduates.	C1558	Fall 2020
Fine Arts	MUSI 5351	Updating to remove educator preparation designation	C3777	Fall 2020

Agenda Item 4: Department of Animal Science and Vet. Tech.

Dr. Lea Ann Kinman presented the item. Dr. Tarpley moved to approve and Dr. Eileen Faulkenberry seconded, item was approved.

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Animal Science & Veterinary Technology	ANSC 5328	This course has been offered as a Special Problems course with the undergraduate ANSC 4308. Making it an official course for graduate students so it can be applied to graduate degree plans.	C3879	Fall 2020

# Agenda Item 5: Department of Communication Studies

Dr. Stafford presented the items. Dr. Morgan moved to approve and Dr. Fragoso-Diaz seconded, items were approved.

Department	Program/Course	Change Request	Item No.	Effective Term
Communication Studies	ORCO-CER - ORCO-CER: Certificate in Organizational Communication	Because Small Group Communication and Organizational Communication Theory rotate each summer students have to delay their graduation to receive the certificate. This change allows for earning the certificate in a timely manner.	P188	Fall 2020
Communication Studies	COMS-MA - COMS-MA: Master of Arts in Communication Studies	To update the curriculum to reduce the number of course substitutions and increase flexibility. There has also been a new course proposed (COMM 5313 Social Media Analytics) which was previously part of the program requirements as a Special Topics course. This will clear up that confusion for prospective and enrolled students. Changes were made to remove the confusion of the "approved statistics course" requirement.	P146	Fall 2020
Communication Studies	COMM 5313	This course is to extend understanding of how data is being used to track social media impressions and other usage metrics. Traditional statistics courses are focused on statistical tests and techniques that differ from the metrics used to assess social media performance and effectiveness. It is essential in today's communication environment to provide students with a contemporary understanding of how to use social media analytics to evaluate social media campaigns.	C3928	Fall 2020

# Agenda Item 6: Discussion Items

- 1. Reminder to review Graduate Faculty Listing online: Updates to Brandon
- 2. Graduate Program Handbooks reminder
- 3. Dr. Heller gave a brief update regarding the return of the MS in Management degree.