

GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, September 28, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 by Craig McLauchlan, Associate Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Membership/Student

Development Committee: Gary Hunter, May Jadallah, Sundeep Inti, Rick Nagorski, John Tovar
Curriculum Committee: Kim Astroth, Jennifer Barnes, Becky Beucher, Lily Thompson
Research Committee: Tom Hammond, Hyoil Han, Shawn Hitchcock, Anne McNamara
Graduate Students: Kierra Peterson, Henrique Villela

MEMBERS ABSENT

Membership/Student

Development Committee: Myoung Jin Kim,
Curriculum Committee: Meredith Downes, Jeffrey Wagman
Research Committee:

Also present: Rachel Caracci, Dana Davidson, Mindy Kinney, and Kim Shennett from the Graduate School

Approval of Minutes

Kim Astroth moved to approve minutes of April 25, 2022. Tom Hammond seconded. All approved.

Welcome and Introductions

Members of the Council and Graduate School were welcomed and introduced themselves.

Administrative report

- a. 10th Day Enrollment
 - i. Rachel Caracci provided enrollment figures. Current graduate total 2,633, last year 2,554, two years ago 2,700.
 - ii. Ten students have withdrawn from the University at this time. Last year total was 14.
 - iii. Total international undergraduate and graduate student enrollment largest in ISU history (330 total – 90% graduate).
- b. Marketing and Recruitment initiatives
 - i. New application services for graduate admissions – GradCAS and BusinessCAS to open on October 1 for summer and fall 2023 admissions. Third party service. No cost to university unless a waiver is provided. Application fees: \$63 for GradCAS, \$83 for BusinessCAS.
 - ii. Graduate School staff working closely with graduate coordinators on recruitment. Also staffing table at Bone Student Center (new) and offering virtual sessions.

Committee Reports

- a. Membership/Student Development
 - i. Committee members met after meeting to select a chair. May Jadallah was selected as chair and Rick Nagorski as co-chair.
- b. Curriculum
 - i. September curriculum report submitted. Kim Astroth moved to approve. Tom Hammond seconded. Motion passed with 2 abstentions.
 - ii. Jeff Wagman was selected as chair before committee's first meeting.
- c. Research
 - i. Committee members met after meeting to select a chair. Shawn Hitchcock was selected as committee chair.

Old Business

- a. Graduate Curriculum Committee Updated Bylaws
 - i. Under review by Rules committee of Academic Senate.
- b. Graduate School Strategic Plan Writing Process
 - i. Draft ready in mid-October.

New Business

- a. Add Duolingo and AE/Pathway to proficiency options for awarding MA.
 - i. Current language in Graduate Catalog includes 5 options for meeting requirement for MA degree: Under option 3: Students whose native language is not English may, with departmental or school approval, petition Graduate School to substitute proficiency in English language as fulfillment of language requirement. Proficiency is met by achieving university minimum total score on TOEFL or IELTS exams.
 - ii. Add to this option:
 - 1. Minimum Duolingo score of 105
 - 2. AE program and pathway students complete Academic English courses
 - iii. Duolingo test is affordable and widely used, now provides sub scores. Approved by Office of General Counsel for teaching assistants to meet language proficiency.
- b. Suggested updated language for option 3 of Master of Arts Degree Requirements
 - i. Students whose native language is not English may, with departmental or school approval, petition the Graduate School to substitute proficiency in the English language as fulfillment of the language requirement. Proficiency is met by achieving the university minimum total score on TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo exams. Academic English Program/Pathway students who have completed Illinois State Academic English Level 5 would also qualify.

Council members discussed. Some confusion if this only applies to meeting English language. Additional discussion to take place before a vote at next meeting.

Adjournment

GRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted to the Graduate Council September 28, 2022. For complete curriculum proposal information please see the University's Curriculum Proposal site:
[registrar.ilstu.edu/curriculumforms/](https://registrarform.ilstu.edu/curriculumforms/)

FOR INFORMATION

New Courses

AGR 495 College Teaching in Agriculture and Applied Sciences

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradNewCourseView.aspx?ID=2797>

CHE 465 Applied Computational Chemistry

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradNewCourseView.aspx?ID=2804>

COM 471 International Political Communication

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradNewCourseView.aspx?ID=2572>

ENG 462 Queer Theories and Cultures

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradNewCourseView.aspx?ID=2801>

MUS 493a21 Current Issues in Music Education

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradTWICourseView.aspx?ID=40>

THE 455 Creative Drama

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradNewCourseView.aspx?ID=2780>

Course Revisions

NUR 425 Organizational Experience

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradReviseCourseView.aspx?ID=1280>

NUR 560 Advanced Nursing Practice Experience

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradReviseCourseView.aspx?ID=1281>

Temporary Courses

MUS 489a01 Ensemble: Baroque Chamber Music

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradTWICourseView.aspx?ID=35>

MUS 489a50 Ensemble: Musical Theater Pit

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradTWICourseView.aspx?ID=34>

Editorial Revision to Courses

COM 302 Communication Criticism

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2513>

COM 318 Social Dynamics of Communication Technologies

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2491>

COM 323 Theory and Research in Small Group Communication

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2492>

COM 324 Theory and Research in Persuasion

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2493>

COM 325 Theory and Research in Interpersonal Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2494>

COM 329 Organizational Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2495>

COM 360 Mass Media: Theory and Effects
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2496>

COM 364 Media Management
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2497>

COM 372 Theory & Research in Intercultural Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2499>

COM 375 Communication and Leadership
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2498>

COM 385 Editorial and Feature Writing
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2500>

COM 409 Seminar in Health Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2501>

COM 410 Seminar in Family Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2502>

COM 424 Seminar in Persuasion
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2503>

COM 433 Seminar in Leadership Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2504>

COM 435 Seminar in Communication Training & Development
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2505>

COM 463 Seminar in Mass Media Effects
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2506>

COM 472 Seminar in Intercultural/Interethnic Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2507>

COM 481 Seminar in Communication Education: Communication Pedagogy
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2508>

COM 482 Seminar in Communication Education: Communication Assessment
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2509>

COM 483 Seminar in Communication Education: Instructional Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2511>

COM 495 Seminar in Organizational Communication
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2512>

MAT 406 Advanced Topics in Assessment in Elementary & Jr High Math
<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2477>

Editorial Revisions to Programs

Degree Programs:

ART

Art Teacher Ed M.S.

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2243>

MAT

PhD in Mathematics Ed. – Co-Curricular program requirements Information

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2466>

WGS

WGSS Graduate Certificate

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/EditorialRequestView.aspx?ID=2079>

Revisions to Program

Sequence:

MUS

M.M. in Music Composition

<https://registrarforms.illinoisstate.edu/CurriculumForms/GradReviseProgramView.aspx?ID=296>