Graduate Council  
Meeting Minutes  
February 25, 2020  
220 Van Wormer Hall

**Attendees:** Quinn Ankrum, Flavia Bastos, Rhonda Brown, Doug Burgess, Ron Deby, Gary Dick, David Edelman, Amy Fathman, Ari Finkelstein, Dan Gottlieb, Ana Hincapie, James Mack, Stephen Mockabee, Chip Montrose, Mohan Pillai (for Sid Sridhar), GA Rassati, Chris Sullivan, Roger Worrell  
**Absent:** Olivier Parent  
**Staff:** Catherine Smith

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<td><strong>Meeting Minutes</strong></td>
<td>Approval of November 26, 2019 minutes</td>
<td>November minutes were not discussed. To be put on agenda for March 24 meeting.</td>
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<td>Approval of January 28, 2020 minutes</td>
<td>Approved unanimously.</td>
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| **PhD in Engineering Education and Master of Science in Engineering Education** | Presenters: PK Imbrie and Teri Murphy  
The presenters gave a history of both proposals. The committee then made the following comments/recommendations:  
- Speak with CECH to discuss students taking courses from that college.  
- Did they consider other courses from CECH about human learning?  
- Include oral communication skills.  
- Recommendation to be more deliberate about the 18 hours of advance study. Add cohesive focus area for student to choose.  
- Will the job these individuals get allow them to pay off their education? What will the MS offer job-wise?  
- The MS is needed as an exit/bridge to the PhD program | PhD vote: approved with one abstaining. Approved for review by Academic Committee after signatures from CECH and Mary Boat’s review of courses. MS vote: approved with 4 dissenting and one abstaining. |
| **Statistical Analytics Certificate** | Presenter: Michael Goldberg  
The presenter gave an overview of the certificate, with feedback from the committee as follows:  
- Are there any jobs on the market that would require this degree?  
- It doesn’t seem to include courses in data management.  
- What about including an ethics thought process, perhaps as a learning outcome incorporated into coursework? If not already included in degree program, incorporate into certificate. | The committee voted to put the proposal on hold until the presenter had a chance to respond to the feedback. They suggested a conversation with some of the other colleges and offered to suggest names at their colleges for the presenter to contact. |
| **Discussion Topics** | Graduate School Handbook  
- CCM recommended several changes to the handbook. | Chip Montrose will make the revisions and send out to the committee for an e-vote. |
Rolling out GSHI information

The stipend and GSHI information will go out to colleges soon. Grad Council was asked to not distribute the information from this informal discussion until college leaders have been notified. Grad Council will receive the information before it goes out to the “public” so they can answer any questions that come up in their colleges.

| Next Meeting | March 24, 2020 |  |