

MINUTES
COALS GRADUATE PROGRAM COUNCIL
January 17, 2018
AGLS 501, 1:30 p.m.

Attendees: Morgan Farnell, Sandun Fernando, Patricia Klein, Wes Osburn, James PEtrick, Tracy Rutherford, Won Bo Shim, Loren Skow, C. Wayne Smith, Pete Teel, David Reed, Dawn Kerstetter (minutes), Jenna Kurten (guest)

Guest: Jenna Kurten

- **Graduate Assessment Data**

Presented latest drafts of Faculty Assessment Learning form (approved by GPC) and Student Self Evaluation form (GPC recommended changes). Final drafts are forthcoming.

- **Certificates offered at a distance** (See IARM screenshot)

We encouraged departments to proactively request approval to teach certificate programs at a distance. As more courses become available online, there is a risk of students taking most of the credits toward a certificate online and then failing to receive the certificate credential because a certificate program is not approved via distance education. The process for requesting distance approval requires only a program edit in CARS. If a certificate program is 15 credit hours or less, all approvals happen at TAMU and no approval is necessary through THECB.

I. MINUTES

a. November 15, 2017-*APPROVED*

II. NEW COURSE REQUESTS <https://nextcatalog.tamu.edu/courseadmin/>

N/A

III. CHANGE IN COURSE/INACTIVATION REQUESTS View courses here (after login): <https://nextcatalog.tamu.edu/courseadmin/> Type the course name in the “Search” box.

a. WFSC 636 : Wildlife Habitat Management-*APPROVED*

IV. NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL *N/A*

V. CHANGE IN PROGRAM/CERTIFICATE *N/A*

VI. GRADUATE FACULTY NOMINATIONS

Committee voted to change the requirements for the college letter template to included proof of non-TAMU nominee’s current participation on a graduate faculty committee. An email to Dawn Kerstetter is sufficient with documentation from the nominee’s university.

a. SCSC Bell, Jourdan-*APPROVED*

b. SCSC Byrd, Seth-*APPROVED*

c. SCSC Carson, Katherine-*APPROVED*

d. SCSC Gardunia, Brian-*APPROVED*

e. SCSC Ritchie, Glen-*APPROVED*

f. WFSC Isasi-Catala, Emiliana-*TABLED*

Exact position title and clarification on appointment needed for nominee.

VII. GRADUATE OPERATION COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. FY19 Merit Fellowship Guidelines

College Merit Fellowship guidelines/criteria will match OGAPS guidelines.

- o *College Excellence and Merit Fellowships call was sent January 22. Deadline for submission to college is February 16.*

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

a. OGAPS GPC Poll

GPC poll regarding graduate program questions from OGAPS was completed and sent to OGAPS.

GPC Dates for 2017-2018 Academic Year (Every third Wednesday)

All meetings will be in 501 AGLS at 1:30 PM unless otherwise noted:

February 21, 2018

March 21, 2018

April 18, 2018

May 23, 2018

June 20, 2018

July 18, 2018