

**Graduate Council**  
**November 12, 2015**  
**Minutes**

**Members Present**

Joy Townsend	Teresa Hamill
Johnnie Sue Wijewardane	Scott Tollison
Marty Brock	Brian Anderson
David Carter	Bridget Pieschel
Mark Bean	Dee Dee Larson
Kendall Dunkelberg	Lorraine Gaddis
Irene Pintado	Monica Riley
Lynn Dobbs	Tom Richardson
Marty Hatton	Sheila Adams

The Graduate Council met on November 12, 2015, in the Welty Boardroom. The minutes of the September meeting were approved by a unanimous vote.

**Council Actions**

**College of Arts & Sciences – MFA in Creative Writing**

Kendall Dunkelberg presented the following proposals for the MFA in Creative Writing program.

1. Modify an Existing Course – EN 504 Graduate Internship in Writing
  - a. Change to variable credit 1-6 hours
2. Modify an Existing Course – EN 529 Special Topics in Writing
  - a. Change to variable credit 1-3 hours
3. Modify an Existing Course – EN 598 Special Topics in Literature
  - a. Change to variable credit 1-3 hours

Mark Bean made a motion to approve the proposals as presented. Dee Dee Larson seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

## **College of Business & Professional Studies**

Dee Dee Larson presented the following proposals for the MS in Global Commerce program.

4. Modify Title of Degree Program
  - a. From Master of Science in Global Commerce
  - b. To Master of Business Administration
5. Modification of Curriculum -- Master of Business Administration (pending approval by IHL of Appendix 9a)
6. Offer a New Course – EC 515 Managerial Economics (pending approval of Appendix 9a by IHL)
7. Offer a New Course – ACC 535 Advanced Managerial Accounting (pending approval of Appendix 9a by IHL)

Bridget Pieschel made a motion to approve the proposals as presented. Sheila Adams seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

## **New Business**

- Teaching Assistants and Tuition Waiver  
Council members were given 'homework' to review their individual programs and be prepared to discuss this topic at the next meeting.
- Recommendation to remove GRE test score requirement for the MA in Women's Leadership
  - Bridget Pieschel presented this recommendation for the Women's Leadership program. Kendall Dunkelberg made a motion to approve the removal of the GRE test score requirement as presented. Marty Brock seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.
  - Additionally, Mark Bean, Irene Pintado, and Dee Dee Larson will form a subcommittee to review if removing test scores will be problematic for any program-specific or institutional accreditation standards.
- International Financial Backing Statement  
Council members were given 'homework' to review their individual programs and be prepared to discuss this topic at the next meeting.
- On campus graduate events  
Marty Brock and Monica Riley are working on this and will report at the next GC meeting.

### **Old Business**

- Fire Engine-RED Update
- From the April meeting – Letters of Recommendation from Campus Sources was TABLED  
Was agreed to have letters of recommendation from MUW faculty and staff –  
Needs to be corrected on the Website.

Our next meeting will be December 10, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. Proposals will be due by noon December 3, 2015.

Noted we may not have a December Graduate Council meeting if no agenda items submitted; next would be in January 2016 if so.