

The University of Alabama Huntsville
Graduate Council Meeting
Minutes

Friday/ September 15, 2023
2:00 p.m. in SSB 201

Members Present: Mike Anderson, COE*
Maria Pour, COE
Keith Hollingsworth, COE
Nicholas Loyd, COE
Wafa Hakim Orman, COB*
Sophia Marinova, COB
Xiaotong Li, COB

c. College of Science

- i. Davidson, Rod (PhD) Approved as Full member with appointment coincident with that of current contract period expiring May 31, 2024; must reapply for graduate faculty status upon renewal of next contract period.
- ii. Sandoval, Betzy (MS) Approved

7. Removal of Expired Courses

Dr. Hakkila shared that Dr. Rhonda Gaede has been contacting colleges regarding courses that have not been taught in many years, equaling approximately 500 courses across all colleges; many of these are graduate courses. Each college is asked to review

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During the last Graduate Council on 8/18/23, the Graduate School proposed a revision to the part of the policy that states "If the appeal is filed within 30 days of dismissal, the student may be considered for readmission in the semester immediately following dismissal. Otherwise, the appeal must be submitted at least 14 days prior to the following deadlines for readmission: July 1 for Fall, November 15 for Spring, and April 1 for Summer."

During the graduate council meeting on 9/15/23, it was proposed to strike the first sentence (underlined in the previous paragraph) to time limitations between semesters to efficiently conduct the appeal and potential readmission process in time for the subsequent semester. It was also proposed to strike the first part of the second sentence (underlined in the previous paragraph) indicating that appeals must be submitted 14 days prior to the stated deadlines for spring, summer, and fall, which caused confusion as to which date was the actual deadline.

Dr. Lisa Vangness, commented, "I don't know if this is a good enough reason to oppose

is about 3.3, so approximately half of your students could get into JUMP if you set the limit at 3.3.

11. For the Good of the Order

Dr. Mike Anderson asked about the reason for requiring ~~two~~ week notices to the Graduate School for theses and dissertation defenses. Dr. Hakkila responded that, with the help of our Office of Marketing and Communications, within the next year we hope to establish a public advertising component for interested parties to be able to attend our students' theses and dissertation defenses

12. Reminder Next Graduate Council Meeting Friday/ October 13, 2023

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.