# Graduate Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 21, 2018  
**Place:** 3150 Beardshear  
**Start Time:** 4:15 pm  
**End Time:** 5:30 pm

### Call to Order
- Introductions
- Seating of substitute council members - Justin Walley for Miller

### Consent Agenda
- Minutes of Graduate Council Meeting, January 17, 2018
- Agenda for February 21, 2018 meeting
- GCCC approval items
  - Proposal for Graduate Certificate: Meat Science
  - Proposal for Graduate Certificate: Cyber Security
  - Proposal for Graduate Certificate: Finance
  - Status change for VPM grad program: Interdepartmental to Departmental
  - Discontinue Graduate Minor only: Technology and Social Change
- Graduate Faculty Membership Committee (GFMC)
  - FYI. Approval of Associate Graduate Faculty Status: Olivia Genther-Schroeder-Animal Science; Xuhao Wang-CCE E; Sunghwan Kim-CCE E; Katelyn Freeseman-CCE E; Fatih Bektas-CCE E; Alhasan Ahmad-CCE E.
  - Ogilvie noted that many new certificates indicate how they will be marketed to new students, but they do not note how they may be advertised to current students. He suggested some sort of communication to new students about new certificates.

### Announcements and Remarks
- Graduate Council Chair, Steven Lonergan
  - Lonergan noted that there will need to be a new Policy Library Advisory Representative, so interested Council members should let him know. He presented Chapter 9 updates, possible double degree changes, and graduate faculty membership information at the DOGE meeting. These were all met with positive feedback. The Assistant Deans of Graduate Affairs offered support for the math certificate program and the outside committee member serving in a compliance role for exam committees. He also noted that direction from GFMC was that 2 members of a Masters committee and 3 members of a Ph.D. committee should be full
- Graduate Dean, William Graves- Absent
- Assistant Graduate Dean, Craig Ogilvie
  - Ogilvie noted spring applications for the Preparing Future Faculty program, the Emerging Leadership Academy, and the Graduate Research Symposium.
- Graduate College Office, Judy Strand- No report

### Old Business
- Chapter 9. Revisions have been sent to University Counsel for review. Sub-Committee: Deb Marquart, Dan Russell, George Weston, Steven Lonergan, Bill Graves, Judy Strand
Lonergan reported that Chapter 9 revisions had been received from University Council with track changes, and the document will be disseminated to the ad hoc committee for review and then for presentation at the March Graduate Council meeting.

New Business

- Graduate assistantships for certificate students – New Graduate Certificate in Mathematics.
  Proposal for Graduate Certificate: Mathematics
  Discuss and vote
  - Hal Schenk and Bernard Lidicky were present to answer questions about this certificate primarily because the program would fund certificate students through teaching assistantships. Current Handbook language does not state that certificate students are eligible for TA appointments. Council members asked whether all positions would be teaching positions, whether students in TA appointments should be required to continue to the Ph.D., and how the admissions process would handle course prerequisites. Shenk assured the Council that teaching assistantships are vital to the success of the program and that the certificate is a pipeline to a Ph.D. for URM students, but that students are in no way required to continue to the Ph.D., and that students will not be admitted who have not met prerequisites. Ogilvie mentioned that this program might lead the way for other post-baccalaureate certificates to offer assistantships to students. This certificate proposal, with the approval of exception for these certificate students to be funded through teaching assistantships, passed 13-0.

- Doctor of Education
  Proposal for Doctor of Education, ED.D
  Discuss and vote
  - Anne Foegen was present to answer questions about this new degree offering. The intent of this proposal is to discontinue the Certificate of Advanced Study, which is designed for P-12 superintendents, and to offer a full degree in its place. It will also offer a practice-focused alternative to the Ph.D. in Community College Leadership. This degree is in competition with already-existing programs at Drake and UNI, the latter of which is very supportive of ISU’s decision to offer the Ed.D. The University of Iowa is currently in the process of getting an Ed.D approved, too, and would like to present their degree proposal to the Board of Regents at the same time as we do. Marquart asked if this degree would be available online, and Foegen stated that it is likely that the degree can be completed online, or mostly online with a few trips to Ames on weekends. Ogilvie inquired about international student interest, and Foegen responded that they would be open to that, but they are not sure how much interest there would be because of the uniqueness of community colleges in the U.S. O’Connor mentioned that this degree option is more comparable to a Ph.D. than a professional degree like a DVM. This degree proposal passed 13-0.

- Graduate Faculty status for Post-doc supervisor - Ogilvie
  - Ogilvie noted that Chapter 10 of the Graduate College Handbook does not indicate that supervisors of post-doctoral appointees are required to be on the graduate faculty. Because we require graduate faculty supervision for master’s and Ph.D. students, he stated that post-docs should also be supervised by graduate faculty members. It seemed that this mostly affects appointments in Ames Lab and extension, as P&S senior scientists often advise post-docs there. Ogilvie had spoken with these areas, and they were supportive of this change. There are currently 26 post-docs who would be affected by requiring their mentors to be full graduate faculty, and only 18 supervisors who would need to complete the graduate faculty membership process. Weston noted that a grandfather clause for students currently working with mentors who are not graduate faculty would ensure that these relationships can continue to thrive, and Ogilvie assured him that no current relationships will be altered by this policy. Speer and Lonergan agreed to work on a grandfather clause before the full proposal reaches the Graduate Council at the next meeting for a potential vote.
### Committees

- **Outside Committee Member Committee:** **Report.** Isaac Gottesman, Chr., Annette O’Connor, Nicola Bowler, Tonglu Li, Allen Miller, Dan Russell, Raimund Nagel, Mark Kaiser, Judy Strand, Sebastian Speer
  - Gottesman reported that the survey from last month had been entered into Qualtrics, and after some tweaking and testing for length, it would hopefully be ready to present next month.

- **Double Degree Committee:** **Proposal for February vote:** Double Degree Policy. Carleton Basmajian, Chr. (non-GC), Matt O-Neal, George Weston, Travis Sapp (non-GC), Natalie Robinson, Judy Strand.
  - Lonergan again presented the changes to this program that were presented last month. Robinson noted that this proposal would allow for two coursework-only degrees to be double degrees despite the fact that there is no final oral exam or thesis/creative component, which was part of the original framework for developing the double degree programs. This proposal passed as written 13-0.

- **Admission Status Committee (Full/Restricted/Provisional):** Deb Marquart, Ken Moore, Gary Munkvold. **Submit Proposal for February vote.**
  - Marquart presented this proposal to remove restricted and provisional admission status. There will still be a requirement of 3.00 undergraduate GPA, and admission of students below that requirement will require justification. There were questions about where the forms that were included in the proposal would be housed. Those are for department use only and are not going to be kept in the Graduate College. Bowler was concerned that removing restricted and provisional status might be a pathway to lowering admissions standards, but the admission decision still ultimately lies with the department. There were also questions about the timeframe for implementation and what to do with students who were already admitted as restricted. The timeframe was approved for fall 2018 admission, though the Graduate College will accept requests to change summer 2018 admits to full. Students who are currently on restricted will be changed to full or remain on restricted at the discretion of their departments.

- **GFMC Committee:** **Update,** Pamela Riney-Kehrberg.
  - Riney-Kehrberg reported that GFMC is working on many incoming Associate Graduate Faculty membership applications.

### Other Items/Issues

Next Meeting: March 21, 2018, 3150 Beardshear