

Graduate Council
Thursday, October 23, 2025
MCCC 319
Minutes

Present: Kaitlin Ensor, Connie Stout, Gerda Kumpiene, Robin Meadows, Mari Clements, JD Carpenter

Absent: Dwight Heaster, Kevin Evans, Scott Beatty

Guest: Rachel Adams, Ann Reed, Adrian Duelley, Ashley Nicholas

- Call to Order
 - The Council discussed the voting rights of the Admissions position. Since their position on the council is an ex-officio member, they do not have voting rights.
 - They also discussed the Criminal Justice department having only one representative and if that person should have 2 votes for 2 positions or if they should appoint another CJ faculty member to the Council. They asked if I could let Scott know about this and we will discuss it further at the next scheduled meeting.
 - Approval of the minutes from September 25, 2025, meeting. JD motioned to approve; Robin seconded. Motion passed.
- Old Business
 - Rolling Admissions, this item was tabled to be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.
 - Teaching Assistant, this item was tabled to be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.
 - Peregrine Process, this item was tabled to be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.
 - Accelerated Programs, this item was tabled to be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.
- New Business
 - Learning Outcomes, Kaitlin let the Council know that since we will be going to a digital catalog, these outcomes need to be updated and reviewed by each department.
 - JD stated that the Business department is working on theirs and will submit them as soon as they are done.

- Connie and Gerda stated that the Education department's outcomes are good and do not need any changes or updates.
 - Criminal Justice will need to look over theirs and get back to us.
- Auditing Graduate Level Courses, what should this policy look like for grad students?
There is already a policy in place for undergraduate students.
 - Kaitlin said do you see the value in this. JD commented that concentration courses offered through rize would not be able to be audited.
 - Ashley let the Council know that the undergraduate course auditing policy is currently being discussed in Academic Policy. Once this passes, she will update the Council on the policy.
- Clinical Psychology Intent to Plan
 - The intent to plan has been approved by the BOG. The complete plan will be presented to the council during one of the November meetings, along with the course outlines and catalog pages. The document that was presented today was the one sent to HEPC for review.
- Micro Credentials
 - JD asked about the Council's take on using rize courses as a micro credential.
 - Mari stated that the proposed micro credentials should be based on industry need as well as recommendations of the departments advisory boards. She will provide the Council information about HEPC approval of micro credentials.
- Meeting Adjourned

October 31, 2025

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