

10/31/2017 GAC minutes

Minutes of the Graduate Academic Council meeting of October 31, 2017, 3:00 PM, UAB320  
Approved by the Council 12/05/17

In attendance: K. Asaro-Saddler, G. Berg, K. Chan, M. DeJesus, S. Faight, Z. Lawrence, C. Lawson, S. Rafferty,  
N. Turner, J. Whyte-Dixon,  
K. Williams, J. Bartow (staff)

Guests: Prof. Alan Wagner, Education Policy and Leadership  
Melissa Powers – Registrar's Office  
Shanise Kent – Graduate Education

- 1) Draft minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting were amended and approved by vote of 9-0-0.
- 2) Dean's Report – Dean Williams reported that the Master of Science program proposal in Data Science was approved and the new program registered by NYS Education Department.
- 3) Chair's Report – Chair Rafferty had no report.
- 4) Proposal for new program – Master of Arts in International Education Management
  - a) Prof. Alan Wagner presented the proposal.
  - b) It is an opportunity to prepare practitioners to work in International Education Management, in settings similar to our own Center for International Education and Global Strategy.
  - c) 30 credit program and aimed at being online.
  - d) It is expected that there is a global market for students
  - e) A demand survey was conducted and led to this proposal. Only two other similar programs exist.
  - f) Capstone course E APS 680 is an opportunity to draw all the program training together via practicum or internship.
  - g) A question was raised regarding ancillary support services, particularly since this program will be delivered online. Prof. Wagner indicated that faculty will provide the advisement and the Department expect to create a digital "commons" for students and faculty to interact.
  - h) The program focus will be data driven. There have been expressions of anticipated demand for the program from international Education administrators.
  - i) Concerns were expressed about need to fast track movement to online program delivery, as there is not likely a sufficiently large market at the local level.

The Council voted 10-0-0 to approve the proposal and recommend the same to the University Senate for final governance action.

Motion made to adjourn and motion was approved 10-0-0

End of 10/31/2017 GAC Minutes