YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

**Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 27, 2021**

**TEAMS**

**4:00 p.m.**

Present: Valerie O’Dell, Chair, Patrick Bateman, Ewelina Boczkowska, Christopher Bellas, Lauren Cummins, Kendra Fowler, Douglas Genna, J. Paul Louth, Tomi Ovaska, Virgil Solomon, Sal Sanders, Angie Urmson Jeffries, Linda Hulburt-Blosser  GSAC Student Representatives: Joseph Spurio, Theresa Gorospe

Excused: Jake Protivnak,

00:00:00.000 --> 00:00:07.710
Sal Sanders
I just want to let everyone know I started the transcription as well as the recording.

00:00:23.660 --> 00:00:28.280
Valerie O'Dell
OK, can we, uh, we get started. We have enough people to start.

00:01:18.660 --> 00:01:29.130
Valerie O'Dell
Alright, well we'll call the meeting to order everybody. Good afternoon. Ah, the first item on the agenda is to approve the August September meeting minutes.

00:01:29.720 --> 00:01:30.350
Valerie O'Dell
Uhm?

00:01:31.920 --> 00:01:39.180
Valerie O'Dell
I guess we didn't do that electronically or I I I guess I can't remember which in turn I I guess now.

00:01:40.070 --> 00:01:45.850
Valerie O'Dell
Excuse me, so is anybody have a more there? Any additions or corrections to the minutes?

00:01:46.720 --> 00:01:50.180
Valerie O'Dell
I assume you would have sent them to the Angie if there were.

00:01:52.310 --> 00:01:55.270
Valerie O'Dell
So do we want approve those minutes all in favor?

00:01:57.000 --> 00:02:00.800
Valerie O'Dell
Say or wave your hand any opposed or abstained.

00:02:02.880 --> 00:02:06.290
Valerie O'Dell
OK, so the Minutes are approved for August September.

00:02:09.070 --> 00:02:14.340
Valerie O'Dell
We also have approval that October minutes is that I thought that was now or they're other minutes or.

00:02:18.330 --> 00:02:28.890
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
I'm sorry that's a typo it should say September**.**

00:02:32.410 --> 00:02:42.100
Valerie O'Dell
You're kind of breaking up the Angie. I'm not even a hard time hearing you, but those are September minutes. Then we need to prove. OK, so same goes for that any.

00:02:42.900 --> 00:02:44.670
Valerie O'Dell
Additions, corrections or.

00:02:45.240 --> 00:02:47.600
Valerie O'Dell
Ah, anything else. Before we vote on them.

00:02:50.130 --> 00:02:55.690
Valerie O'Dell
OK, so all in favor of approving the September minutes meeting minutes wave your hand.

00:02:57.830 --> 00:02:59.680
Valerie O'Dell
Any opposed or abstained?

00:03:01.680 --> 00:03:03.920
Valerie O'Dell
OK, so those are approved as well.

00:03:04.560 --> 00:03:08.630
Valerie O'Dell
Uh will move onto the UM committee chair, reports.

00:03:09.300 --> 00:03:12.340
Valerie O'Dell
So Paul, do you have anything for admissions or appeals?

00:03:13.010 --> 00:03:15.690
**Paul Louth**
**Nothing to report.**

00:03:15.750 --> 00:03:26.370
Paul Louth
Uhm, a change to the record I I meant to abstain for August and approved September 'cause I wasn't present for the first one, so I have to abstain for that.

00:03:27.720 --> 00:03:30.870
**Paul Louth**
**But to answer your question, I don't nothing to report.**

00:03:31.760 --> 00:03:32.890
Valerie O'Dell
OK, thank you.

00:03:33.630 --> 00:03:36.270
Valerie O'Dell
Uhm, grad curriculum chair Virgil.

00:03:36.740 --> 00:03:55.670
**Virgil Solomon**
**Yeah, yes, so Val thank you. Good afternoon everyone. So we had the 30 items. So to discuss for October.** Some of them were courses to delete or courses with the prerequisite change and then we use the fast track so those sore approve only by the.

00:03:55.730 --> 00:04:26.060
Virgil Solomon
Uh, the chairs of the the committee is the the curriculum committees, but eight of them have been brought to the attention to the Graduate Curriculum Committee, and we had one animite in voting, approving all of them. So we have change in the Master of Science in mathematics. We have a few courses in math related to those the the the change of the the program the graduate program.

00:04:26.590 --> 00:04:35.860
Virgil Solomon
Uh, and we have several courses from a doctoral degree in education and those have been approved.

00:04:36.610 --> 00:04:38.120
Virgil Solomon
And yes, so that's all.

00:04:39.180 --> 00:04:41.630
Valerie O'Dell
OK, thank you any questions for Virgil.

00:04:44.110 --> 00:04:46.780
Valerie O'Dell
OK, uh exceptions Sal.

00:04:51.880 --> 00:04:53.690
**Sal Sanders**
**I have no exceptions to report.**

00:04:57.150 --> 00:05:00.200
Valerie O'Dell
Uh grievance Chris. It's Chris here, yeah?

00:05:00.920 --> 00:05:02.840
**Christopher Bellas**
**Yeah, I'm here. Nothing to report.**

00:05:03.540 --> 00:05:04.130
Valerie O'Dell
OK.

00:05:05.380 --> 00:05:10.630
**Valerie O'Dell**
**Uh, anything for the Graduate Student Council committee.**

**00:05:12.260 --> 00:05:16.890**
**Valerie O'Dell**
**Now Jo, nothing shaking your head OK, nothing to report here.**

00:05:18.650 --> 00:05:25.820
Valerie O'Dell
So we'll move on to the results of the motion for the new distance education program. 9 approved one of stain.

00:05:26.530 --> 00:05:28.960
Valerie O'Dell
Uh, any comments now about that.

00:05:31.650 --> 00:05:35.000
Sal Sanders
No, I have no further comments.

00:05:36.400 --> 00:05:59.830
Sal Sanders
While back I sent out a document indicating where that form actually fits into the approval process. That was a request from I believe Dr. Bateman, so we wanted to kind of provide some context of where that form fit into the approval process but other than that we're hoping to get that on the agenda next for Academic Senate, since we will be seeking approval for the same process for the undergraduate programs as well.

00:06:03.960 --> 00:06:08.310
Valerie O'Dell
Thank you next. We have graduate faculty status proposals.

00:06:18.410 --> 00:06:29.460
Valerie O'Dell
Uh, I'm trying to read that the minutes here or the agenda. So is it the in the category 1P we're just. This is just informational. Is that what you have here, Angie?

00:06:31.540 --> 00:06:54.380
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
So the 1P was approved last month. That's on our website. We've started to let faculty know. We had several Category 1 applications in process this month but they were all moved to 1P and are on the bottom of the agenda as an FYI.

00:06:53.290 --> 00:06:54.420
Valerie O'Dell
It’s automatic.

00:06:55.440 --> 00:07:21.540
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
This agenda item, is because last month you guys mentioned that you wanted to talk about graduate faculty status in general. So we asked for proposals from this group to start that conversation and we received two proposals. One proposal from Dr. Genna and one proposal from Dr. Bellas. So those are included at the bottom of the agenda.

00:07:22.190 --> 00:07:26.040
Valerie O'Dell
OK, so that's what's our discussion then is for that correct?

00:07:26.820 --> 00:07:33.260
Valerie O'Dell
**So we don't we so we really don't have any graduate faculty to approve. We're just we're just discussing** OK.

00:07:49.050 --> 00:07:51.390
Valerie O'Dell
So that'll certainly be some time saving.

00:07:52.870 --> 00:08:18.530
Valerie O'Dell
Ah, for that category. OK, so we have the two proposals listed here, the first saying all faculty members who held a PhD or terminal doctorate be granted category one status in the eyes of the Graduate School with all teaching or thesis committee assignments being at the discretion of the department or department chair, and then the other proposal on.

00:08:19.230 --> 00:08:31.740
Valerie O'Dell
Uh, Chris commented, I believe that in order to chair doctoral dissertation or thesis, one should hold a research based doctorate from his reasons, so do either of you want to comment on what she what you dug you want to stop?

00:08:32.060 --> 00:08:43.630
Douglas Genna
Yeah, so we could amend mine to remove the parenthetical or terminal doctorate, 'cause by definition a PhD is a research doctorate as far as I'm aware. Have to write a dissertation on something. It's quite research whether it's.

00:08:44.420 --> 00:08:58.870
Douglas Genna
Experimental or not, and so to me that checks all the boxes. So any faculty member holds a PhD should be granted category one and then the department decides what they teach anyway and decides their regular involvement.

00:08:59.630 --> 00:09:14.060
Valerie O'Dell
So, and that's like Chris had mentioned about the research Dr. I will tell you I I do not have a PhD. I have a Dr. Nursing practice and ID thesis and would be perfectly capable of sharing.

00:09:08.510 --> 00:09:08.830
Douglas Genna
Yeah. That's why I wrote Terminal doctorates.

00:09:15.450 --> 00:09:21.120
Valerie O'Dell
Well, you know. I mean that's so there. I mean not every doctor it is is it is a PhD.

00:09:22.910 --> 00:09:44.700
Valerie O'Dell
You know, so I. I would not. I would not vote for that because I I don't think that you know that would necessarily apply. There's other types of doctoral, DDD, whatever out there, so I don't know. I mean, I think it's I. I personally, I would rather see a hold a terminal doctorate versus just the research. I mean, that's my opinion.

00:09:30.640 --> 00:09:30.910
Douglas Genna
Right?

00:09:44.750 --> 00:09:52.130
Douglas Genna
That's fine with me and still it's then whatever choices at the discretion of the department and department chair, which is how all of our teaching is handled anyway.

00:09:59.980 --> 00:10:13.050
Tomi Ovaska
Yeah, I I put a lot of our sample random sample of about 10 universities and their requirements and they all certain comment that the person has to teach graduate courses.

00:10:13.960 --> 00:10:16.920
Tomi Ovaska
And that has to share experience.

00:10:17.700 --> 00:10:31.460
Tomi Ovaska
Uh, with the candidate off the topic, they cannot be do for moved and the third one was that done there was some requirement that within certain period of time the chair had to have.

00:10:32.380 --> 00:10:42.270
Tomi Ovaska
Uh, published, you know, do 3/4 publications in respectable journals. So as a show of expertise.

00:10:45.540 --> 00:10:46.110
Valerie O'Dell
OK.

00:10:47.670 --> 00:10:49.710
Valerie O'Dell
Sal, did you have your hand up to or?

00:10:53.610 --> 00:10:59.410
Sal Sanders
I did, but I think maybe I'll wait till the end of the discussion. Mine is more of a logistics kind of thing.

00:11:02.460 --> 00:11:09.030
lcummins
One of the things that that is coming out of our leadership studies area in our college.

00:11:09.750 --> 00:11:17.290
lcummins
Is UM, the feeling that anyone who chairs a doctoral dissertation committee should have, at least at the present time?

00:11:17.350 --> 00:11:39.930
lcummins
I'm working research research so you know, I'm not sure if Chris intended his proposal to be an add on to this first proposal. It almost seems like it would be. In addition, those who chair, you know, dissertation committees, or if that was actually a separate proposal. But I know that Jane felt that.

00:11:42.550 --> 00:11:56.110
**lcummins**
**And I'll read what she emailed to me. I do think that dissertation chairs should have an established record of publications and research. Maybe this can be lessened as time goes on, but I would not agree to doing away with the research requirement altogether.**

00:12:00.300 --> 00:12:07.320
Valerie O'Dell
Right, which I think is what was part of that, but we had for category one anyways, isn't that what we have included as far as the you know, research background.

00:12:19.640 --> 00:12:31.040
Tomi Ovaska
I cannot quite remember that the requirement did. It did mention recent or just that there is research sometimes in in the back.

00:12:35.440 --> 00:12:39.630
Valerie O'Dell
Yeah I can't either, I thought each College had different.

00:12:46.810 --> 00:12:50.930
Sal Sanders
Angie, are you, are you able to pull up the criteria and share your screen?

00:12:51.910 --> 00:12:57.020
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
Yes, I can share my screen.

00:13:10.640 --> 00:13:11.870
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
Alright, can you see my screen?

00:13:14.300 --> 00:13:14.900
Valerie O'Dell
Yeah.

00:13:16.920 --> 00:13:20.950
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
Alright, So on our website under the resources tab.

00:13:30.880 --> 00:13:37.820
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
All the colleges are here with a different document.

00:13:40.620 --> 00:13:46.490
Sal Sanders
Can you click on one just to show - maybe click on the College of Ed? Since we're talking about them?

00:14:02.030 --> 00:14:02.560
Angie J Urmson Jeffries
Alright.

00:15:05.420 --> 00:15:12.050
Valerie O'Dell
Well, that doesn't address thought. I mean, it's certainly addresses scholarship. I'm sure they all do as far as the criteria.

00:15:16.810 --> 00:15:22.900
Sal Sanders
Yeah, and then in addition, all of them are required to have special criteria for doctoral programs.

00:15:36.490 --> 00:15:42.300
lcummins
It would seem that the issue comes in with the perpetual stage, you know, I'm.

00:15:43.010 --> 00:15:53.950
lcummins
So does this imply that the perpetual stage, especially for your doctoral students, will your doctoral programs will ensure that they maintain research or we?

00:15:54.010 --> 00:15:54.300
lcummins
Great.

00:15:55.440 --> 00:16:04.420
lcummins
So what is that I P mean? We've already approved that and it's basically you don't have to renew it. So is that assuming that they're going to maintain what's in one?

00:16:08.450 --> 00:16:09.080
Valerie O'Dell
Patrick

00:16:13.020 --> 00:16:19.740

00:16:20.780 --> 00:16:26.350
Patrick J. Bateman
And the non doctoral programs that only had it have teaching, and I think that's why this is coming back.

00:16:27.110 --> 00:16:33.440
Patrick J. Bateman
In this manner, is it the one P is being used in a manner it was never written or proposed to V?

00:16:38.340 --> 00:16:38.810
Valerie O'Dell
ah

00:16:43.560 --> 00:16:43.890
Paul Louth
Right?

00:16:44.270 --> 00:17:14.000
Paul Louth
If that is the case, as Patrick says, then I have are college even though we do not have a doctoral program would we would still have an issue with the emphasis on research, because in music we use the term scholarship. It's a much broader term because it needs to encompass artistic scholarship and you know, we have the majority of our faculty have terminal degrees that are not research oriented there. We we refer to the artistic scholarship as you know.

00:17:14.280 --> 00:17:42.570
Paul Louth
Performing and invited adjudicated performances and recordings and artistic endeavors and things like that so and that also would be, you know, these people need to teach graduate level, but they don't necessarily. They don't chair masters thesis so I I mean I like the idea of using the perpetual category for something like that, but I it does seem to be a problem if we over define it, that's all.

00:17:45.720 --> 00:17:46.220
Valerie O'Dell
correct.

00:17:47.130 --> 00:17:47.970
Valerie O'Dell
Did you have your hand up?

00:17:48.330 --> 00:17:54.770
Douglas Genna
Yeah, so I guess you know my original objection to the whole process had has more to do.

00:17:55.530 --> 00:18:25.920
Douglas Genna
With the I guess my opinion and it is what it is of like this committee's role in the whole process, like this committee doesn't seem like it is equipped to judge the scholarly abilities of people in a ride. A wide range of colleges, let alone departments. So then going back to kind of like each college and each department is different. We all have different, you know, scholarship requirements or what it means to be do scholarship.

00:18:26.200 --> 00:18:43.510
Douglas Genna
And you know, I have this. I said this last time too. I this argument when I'm CID on University Research Council that like I have no ability to judge what music or history scholarship means or what research is appropriate for. You know, URC awards and things like that. And that's just kind of. My objection is more to you know.

00:18:44.170 --> 00:18:56.830
Douglas Genna
But it almost shouldn't be at this committee or at the. You know it should be up to. At the most the college, if not the department, to make these decisions, 'cause they're the ones who know what people are capable of.

00:18:58.660 --> 00:19:01.310
Douglas Genna
That's so that's kind of why I proposed the change.

00:19:02.230 --> 00:19:04.460
Douglas Genna
And then still put it back in the hands of the department.

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Valerie O'Dell
Well, and I think that proposal that you had presented written out reflects that.

00:19:09.960 --> 00:19:10.440
Douglas Genna
Yes.

00:19:17.870 --> 00:19:19.810
Valerie O'Dell
So where where do we go from here?

00:19:20.600 --> 00:19:21.430
Valerie O'Dell
With this

00:19:22.280 --> 00:19:52.530
Sal Sanders
Well, I think since we have a proposal, unless people don't want to vote on it, as long as we get a second for it then it should be voted on. The HLC says we have to have a process to ensure that we have quality faculty. I think we can do that with Dr. Genna’s proposal. I don't think there's any problem ensuring that.

00:19:52.570 --> 00:19:59.470
Sal Sanders
Department chairs are the best people to be in control - who gets to chair those thesis and dissertation committees, or at least the dissertation committees?

00:20:00.780 --> 00:20:04.600
Sal Sanders
There was some objection to that a while back. I don't know if that's still the case or not.

00:20:05.230 --> 00:20:08.510
Douglas Genna
Doesn't the research advisor chaired the dissertation committee?

00:20:09.770 --> 00:20:19.760
Sal Sanders
In the language that's being proposed here, isn't it said in your proposal I think it mentions the department chair - right? I've heard that mentioned early on anyway.

00:20:20.060 --> 00:20:32.370
Douglas Genna
Uh, my proposal says that with all teaching or thesis committee assignments being at the discretion of the department or department chair. So if the department chair doesn't think I can take a research student than I can't take it research student, I guess.

00:20:31.960 --> 00:20:40.790
Sal Sanders
And and that's just my question... Is that where we want to leave the control for that? Because there was some concern about that a while back when we had the discussion about this.

00:20:41.430 --> 00:20:46.570
Douglas Genna
I mean, we could change the wording. I guess you know teaching assignments are at the discretion of the department chair now.

00:20:47.400 --> 00:20:47.790
Valerie O'Dell
Right?

00:20:47.660 --> 00:20:54.100
Douglas Genna
And so you know that's how I mean. It's usually done with collaboration, but the Cherokee an assignment they want.

00:20:49.660 --> 00:20:50.250
Sal Sanders
Sure.

00:20:52.710 --> 00:20:54.910
Valerie O'Dell
Who else posted this? Who else?

00:20:54.440 --> 00:20:56.130
Sal Sanders
Right now I'm fine with it.

00:20:56.960 --> 00:20:57.380
Valerie O'Dell
No.

00:20:57.640 --> 00:21:00.390
Sal Sanders
I just want to make sure that everyone is thinking along those lines.

00:21:00.580 --> 00:21:00.930
Douglas Genna
Sure.

00:21:02.620 --> 00:21:03.200
Valerie O'Dell
Natural.

00:21:06.620 --> 00:21:20.380
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, and you know, for background Douglas that with you I'm I'm with you with the the chair. So are are college majority of it. So I'm just all just talk pure. What was traditional business before the mergers?

00:21:21.000 --> 00:21:30.310
Patrick J. Bateman
We don't oversee thesis. We don't oversee doctoral dissertations. Leave it at the charity, determine whether somebody was able to teach a graduate level course or not.

00:21:30.900 --> 00:22:03.140
Patrick J. Bateman
And that's why I proposed 1P is like once you've met these benchmarks at some point in time, that should be quality enough for this larger oversight body. If that they need to play a role at all and just have it go down that road and then from there on out once the person has their one P card, the chair is responsible for if that person is appropriate to be in a classroom or not. And I think that that initial proposal then got stretched into this perpetual for everyone category.

00:21:39.150 --> 00:21:39.560
Valerie O'Dell
Uh-huh

00:22:03.280 --> 00:22:18.090
Patrick J. Bateman
In my mind, when it was proposed, it was supposed to live alongside the normal category one which I'm going to call just the normal you oversee some type of scholarly production, whether it's a dissertation or a thesis, and that's the outcome that you need to produce the graduate.

00:22:26.690 --> 00:22:27.240
Valerie O'Dell
Tomi?

00:22:34.490 --> 00:22:35.460
Tomi Ovaska
Did you say Tomi?

00:22:35.780 --> 00:22:38.360
Valerie O'Dell
Yeah, I thought you had your is your hand up or.

00:22:38.000 --> 00:22:46.410
Tomi Ovaska
Oh oh, I did. Yeah yeah, I don't think we have to do the same thing. So over this all other universities do but.

00:22:47.580 --> 00:22:52.190
Tomi Ovaska
It is so that, uh, I saw no exceptions to the practice that.

00:22:52.850 --> 00:22:58.100
Tomi Ovaska
Alternately, all the committee members, including the chair there, are approved by.

00:22:58.840 --> 00:23:02.610
Tomi Ovaska
By the Dean of graduate studies or something equivalent.

00:23:03.300 --> 00:23:04.680
Tomi Ovaska
And if so, then.

00:23:05.370 --> 00:23:10.570
Tomi Ovaska
You know it brings back the point that you know that if we don't have the expertise.

00:23:11.430 --> 00:23:17.030
Tomi Ovaska
1215 people how does cell have the expertise as one person?

00:23:18.170 --> 00:23:25.070
Sal Sanders
I'll speak to that, I use the guidelines that each college proposes. I just make sure they're following them.

00:23:26.260 --> 00:23:28.370
Sal Sanders
And that's what I do when I approve anything.

00:23:29.160 --> 00:23:50.600
Sal Sanders
Because I don't have the expertise individually, I have to have some faith that you know, we do have experts over each of these areas on the faculty and so there are really broad guidelines - like so many years of experience - that is how I approve them. I use the guidelines that come from the college - the ones that Angie just showed you.

00:23:54.830 --> 00:24:23.260
Douglas Genna
And maybe this is just like a stem issue and I'm only in speak for the whole STEM college, but I know like what used to be the chemistry department and the STEM Dean like. Hate the whole process so and I'm just, you know, on their behalf, voicing kind of our displeasure with the whole graduate, one application process. And you know I won't speak for Virgil and engineering or anybody else. But I know just talking all the chemistry faculty and Wim that this is kind of our.

00:24:23.920 --> 00:24:24.800
Douglas Genna
Our take on it.

00:24:25.460 --> 00:24:28.100
Douglas Genna
And we would rather not have to do it, but that's, you know.

00:24:32.480 --> 00:24:46.450
**Sal Sanders**
**I'll just say that I think the category 1P will eliminate a lot of that need to have people approved, and I think that was a great move overall. I'm not opposed at all to Dr Genna’s proposal, so long as we can figure out a way to operationalize it.**

00:25:00.510 --> 00:25:02.670
Valerie O'Dell
Tell me, did you have your hand up again?

00:25:09.080 --> 00:25:09.530
Valerie O'Dell
No.

00:25:12.100 --> 00:25:13.930
Valerie O'Dell
OK, anybody else Patrick yeah?

00:25:15.140 --> 00:25:24.530
Patrick J. Bateman
So I have a question with mudit. Is even the proposal is it to add what is in that document as one of the options to check off for one P or.

00:25:28.560 --> 00:25:31.790
Douglas Genna
My proposal is to granted to any.

00:25:29.630 --> 00:25:30.300
Valerie O'Dell
Remember this.

00:25:32.450 --> 00:25:58.650
Douglas Genna
Doctoral holding faculty gets automatic graduate one status. I mean, I said pH. D and I put terminal doctorate just 'cause I wasn't sure I didn't want to strain against other doctorates so that I was going to open that for discussion, but basically that was my proposal that you know, and that wasn't considering level 2 or Level 3, that we can still do. However, normally we do it, but I was giving permanent level one status to anybody holding a doctorate or PhD.

00:25:39.590 --> 00:25:40.020
Patrick J. Bateman
OK.

00:26:03.690 --> 00:26:11.300
Valerie O'Dell
So just to clarify, that was in addition to what's already listed for graduate one versus in place of.

00:26:11.690 --> 00:26:23.290
Douglas Genna
I think that's gonna replace graduate. I mean I or whatever I mean. I guess I you know if I'm imagining some masks, I guess Sal can answer this. I was. I think some masters holding.

00:26:23.920 --> 00:26:35.560
**Douglas Genna**
**Faculty can get graduate one status, assuming they meet some criteria, but one of the stipulations would be anybody with Dr. It automatically gets it. That was, I guess, that was kind of my my my point.**

00:26:36.320 --> 00:26:38.080
Douglas Genna
Not exclusionary, but just.

00:26:40.150 --> 00:26:55.880
Sal Sanders
**There are some professions that do not have a a doctorate as their terminal degree. Respiratory Care is one of them. So those folks, their highest level (terminal degree) would be a master's degree, and so there are people with master’s degrees that do have Category 1 status.**

00:26:57.130 --> 00:27:06.380
Sal Sanders
There are likely others like MFA's. I would consider them to have the terminal degree in their field and would be suitable to chair a thesis committee obviously.

00:27:08.720 --> 00:27:34.440
Tomi Ovaska
Here, here is a hypothetical question for you. I had a friend friend this defending her dissertation a month ago, and three members and that one of them was a member who had just defended her own dissertation two weeks earlier and she was approved as a member of the committee, and I do not think that served my friend well.

00:27:38.260 --> 00:27:40.520
Tomi Ovaska
To experience, experience was lacking.

00:27:41.980 --> 00:27:43.730
Douglas Genna
Yeah, I would agree with that. That makes sense.

00:27:46.280 --> 00:27:46.810
Valerie O'Dell
After

00:27:46.490 --> 00:27:47.250
Sal Sanders
So it's.

00:27:47.820 --> 00:27:48.110
Valerie O'Dell
or.

00:27:48.290 --> 00:27:56.270
Patrick J. Bateman
And so the Douglas this point I I actually brought up my version of that when this came forward and I had Sal. Sort of.

00:27:57.810 --> 00:28:03.800
Patrick J. Bateman
Echoed what was behind that is before HLC, there needed to be some metric of.

00:28:04.850 --> 00:28:08.410
Patrick J. Bateman
We were checking quality and the degree itself wasn't that check enough.

00:28:09.810 --> 00:28:21.200
Patrick J. Bateman
So basically it's like once you with the one P again, what was supposed to be his. Once you either get a professorship or 10 year and you have your terminal degree. You don't have to bother with that paperwork process again.

00:28:23.780 --> 00:28:28.250
Douglas Genna
Is that true? Sal data that the degree is not good enough for the HLC Higher Learning Commission?

00:28:29.480 --> 00:28:31.500
Sal Sanders
Well, it depends what the degree is, right?

00:28:32.510 --> 00:29:03.340
Sal Sanders
And then we have all kinds of different things with graduate faculty status. One of the key issues doesn't really deal just with thesis and dissertations, but who can even teach graduate courses. And so we do have minimal years of experience for that. If you wanted to add a year of experience or something to this criteria, you could certainly do that and have an amendment to the proposed item here. But I also think that a lot of these things could be dealt within the departments, like if you do have a strong chair and you guys are saying they get to approve who's on the committee.

00:29:03.460 --> 00:29:17.550
Sal Sanders
We just change our form so that the chair is approving them and if we have confidence that they'll make sure people have adequate experience and adequate research or scholarly work, then this this can work and save a lot of paperwork and a lot of headaches.

00:29:18.780 --> 00:29:35.520
Douglas Genna
Sal, do you approve these those committees, though I feel like at least in chemistry we just did with the research advisor and the student picks two other faculty members or maybe three other faculty members. And there's all of a sudden thesis committee like. I don't think I've ever had them submit anything to you and Angie for something, and we've been doing it wrong all these years.

00:29:30.090 --> 00:29:30.530
Sal Sanders
No.

00:29:41.350 --> 00:29:41.630
Douglas Genna
K.

00:30:02.210 --> 00:30:02.510
Douglas Genna
Right?

00:30:03.020 --> 00:30:04.490
Sal Sanders
And so that at times becomes a problem.

00:30:03.540 --> 00:30:03.820
Douglas Genna
I mean.

00:30:04.920 --> 00:30:17.420
Douglas Genna
So yeah, chemistry now has in place that you're supposed to pick it any year, first year or somewhere around there. Your actual whole committee, or at the end you know, but well, you know several months before you ever even think about defending. So if there's a form that were supposed to send over, then.

00:30:18.070 --> 00:30:24.040
Douglas Genna
You know we can talk about that offline that didn't have to be everybody's business, but send me the form and I'll make sure it gets sent to you guys.

00:30:21.340 --> 00:30:22.350
Sal Sanders
Yeah, yeah.

00:30:25.430 --> 00:30:25.780
Douglas Genna
So.

00:30:26.230 --> 00:30:27.200
Sal Sanders
That would be helpful.

00:30:27.430 --> 00:30:29.610
Douglas Genna
Sure, trying to trying to be helpful.

00:30:32.600 --> 00:30:37.300
lcummins
So just for clarification here, if we're allowing the department chairs too.

00:30:38.040 --> 00:30:48.420
lcummins
Uhm, Beese decision maker here. Will there be something in writing so that faculty know what will be expected and what the department chair is thinking?

00:30:49.230 --> 00:30:54.520
lcummins
In terms of years of experience and research, or you know performance.

00:31:05.960 --> 00:31:15.300
Tomi Ovaska
Valerie I'm I'm I'm not sure about that, but it it's related. Uh, economics was merged with the Accounting and finance.

00:31:16.240 --> 00:31:17.160
Tomi Ovaska
A year ago.

00:31:18.150 --> 00:31:34.060
Tomi Ovaska
And we are social science, the other one. Are, you know, business disciplines and we don't share much of anything and that the chair comes from the other side. From the business side. I don't think he knows much.

00:31:34.590 --> 00:31:40.570
Tomi Ovaska
Uh, about economics in particular, and be able necessarily to.

00:31:40.630 --> 00:31:44.330
Tomi Ovaska
Uh, you know, determine who is qualified to. It's none.

00:31:54.180 --> 00:32:24.110
Douglas Genna
I guess once again do like. I mean, maybe it my my wording was not as kind of what I intended. I think for teaching the chairs is usually what decides it, or at least what we would call. Now what the division, director or whoever you know we have a biology one. Now since our chairs a chemist but once again, at least in chemistry that the thesis committee is chosen by the thesis advisor or in conjunction with the student, you know the department chair has no rule saying it.

00:32:24.600 --> 00:32:32.950
Douglas Genna
Uh, maybe we want to change that to graduate program director or something like that, but you know then, that puts. I don't know, I mean.

00:32:35.660 --> 00:32:42.350
Douglas Genna
I understand not wanting to arrest a give up control to now that we have all these merged departments.

00:32:42.960 --> 00:32:46.460
Douglas Genna
But I don't know. Maybe I'll? Maybe we're overthinking it. I don't, I don't know.

00:32:47.410 --> 00:32:49.380
Douglas Genna
But I'm happy to take amendments. Go ahead.

00:32:50.650 --> 00:33:04.420
Valerie O'Dell
If you know I'm looking at your proposal, Doug. And if I I don't know if it would even make sense or not, but if we just stop the sentence at the discretion of the department, period instead of or the chair.

00:33:05.340 --> 00:33:13.340
Valerie O'Dell
Yeah, I mean, that's very broad that way. At like Kuva, whoever is in that department I, I mean I don't know if that would make sense or not to do that and then.

00:33:14.270 --> 00:33:15.710
Valerie O'Dell
It it's a little more.

00:33:17.500 --> 00:33:21.330
Valerie O'Dell
All encompassing as far as who you know that might.

00:33:20.860 --> 00:33:32.050
Douglas Genna
Because that puts like the governance document in play and things like that. And like 'cause like our Gov Dog has these types of things in it as well. Once again I can't speak for other departments, but so yeah I think that is a solid.

00:33:32.660 --> 00:33:33.380
Douglas Genna
Deletion.

00:33:33.890 --> 00:33:40.090
Valerie O'Dell
No, no way it. It could be the chair, but it could also just be like like you're doing it now or or whatever.

00:33:41.490 --> 00:33:48.680
Sal Sanders
OK, when the first dispute happens then who decides what the criteria is?

00:33:41.500 --> 00:33:42.040
Valerie O'Dell
Patrick

00:33:51.020 --> 00:33:53.310
Sal Sanders
If we just say the department, that's kind of nebulous.

00:33:57.160 --> 00:33:59.110
Valerie O'Dell
Thatcher you're muted.

00:34:00.690 --> 00:34:13.770
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, so two things in there is. One is the the chair. I don't know what. Obviously I don't know what your governance documents are, but the how a chair becomes a chair has changed in the past year.

00:34:15.100 --> 00:34:43.140
Patrick J. Bateman
Right, they're they're now really formally like knowledge that they are appointed by administrator as opposed to the faculty, and it was made clear at the contract, so I don't know if that impacts anything with with folks decisions, and I don't know if you know to Tony's point. Actually, his chair, his PhD is in economics but yet told me that feels it disconnected. So is the chair really the right place at the faculty? Don't feel it's the right person to be overseeing things.

00:34:45.070 --> 00:34:55.190
Patrick J. Bateman
That's I think, where all this is going I I just wanna make this simple as possible, like like you all the one P came from the the traditional business departments didn't see any value in the process.

00:34:56.160 --> 00:35:00.130
Patrick J. Bateman
So whatever we can do to to get their great.

00:35:01.650 --> 00:35:07.930
Tomi Ovaska
Yeah, I I agree with your letter point that it was in economics, though it was 20 years ago.

00:35:08.670 --> 00:35:11.710
Tomi Ovaska
And so that's a long time.

00:35:13.160 --> 00:35:23.040
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, and so that actually works to some of the points where somebody was mentioning well, does the there have to be some recency and I I get this that these don't affect.

00:35:24.130 --> 00:35:28.850
Patrick J. Bateman
A lot of the faculty and or any of the Faculty MBA part we don't thesis is we don't have.

00:35:29.640 --> 00:35:47.330
Patrick J. Bateman
Dr it's I? I just don't want people who don't have to oversee those things that we have to go through a paperwork process every how long and the sooner we can eliminate that the better. But I also to Sal's point, there needs to be a checked in somewhere along the way and they don't know that that necessarily is a chair.

00:35:49.210 --> 00:36:18.840
Douglas Genna
One of the problems with the recency, and like you know, some of us I. I'm a very research active professor, but not all my colleagues are, and that's due to the fact that we're not in R1 institution and it's, you know, really hard to do undergraduate research, especially if you were hired 20 years ago when expectations were different and I've had a ton of reassigned time when my older colleagues have not. So it's somewhat unfair to penalize them for being hired when YSU was a different place in the YSU changes what it is. Every other year, it seems like.

00:35:59.470 --> 00:35:59.940
Patrick J. Bateman
Correct?

00:36:19.220 --> 00:36:35.590
Douglas Genna
But still whole, you know times were different when most of the department of once again, at least in chemistry, was hired. And so to penalize them for that doesn't seem fair. The fact that they haven't published a paper in five years and click preclude them from, you know, still participating.

00:36:37.590 --> 00:36:52.850
Douglas Genna
They still can ask reasonable questions. They still know what good science looks like. I guess would be what you know. It might not know what the most current trendy hot topic is, but they at least know what could sciences. And so I just want to kind of least push back on that on on that comment.

00:36:53.910 --> 00:36:58.000
Patrick J. Bateman
No, no no. I'm with you. It's but by person may not be suited to be a chair.

00:36:59.550 --> 00:37:14.780
Douglas Genna
Yeah, but once again, if they're the research advisor or not, you know that's that's the chair of the committee, is at least once again at least in chemistry, the chair of the committee is the research advisor, and I would imagine that's true at least throughout STEM. And I I couldn't speak for everybody else.

00:37:15.350 --> 00:37:17.000
Douglas Genna
Uh, but.

00:37:17.690 --> 00:37:47.750
Douglas Genna
You know, so if you're conducting research with the student now, we could argue whether that people should be allowed to take research students. But once again, I don't think I could judge anybody in outside my own department and is not really fair for me, judging me within my own department. Whether they could take students. And now that the departments are so big like I can't charge anybody in biology like I don't know anything about them. I just met them for the first time I've been here for eight years. So, and they've been below me. You know, in the 4th floor, and I'm on, yo. So like it, just you know, to kind of come to the merge departments being an issue.

00:37:47.810 --> 00:37:50.350
Douglas Genna
I totally get that like that is a huge concern.

00:37:51.170 --> 00:38:21.960
Paul Louth
Ah, I was just gonna say, but Douglas isn't that a little bit to Patrick's point, the concern that that someone may in a chair position be outside their area of expertise. I think we have to disambiguate. Are we talking about department chair or Chair research committee? 'cause they they they're. They're potentially two different people, right? So the concern is whether the chair, the department chair, who maybe someone inserted in that position, or it may be a forced merger or completely different discipline or something like that.

00:38:22.230 --> 00:38:29.770
Paul Louth
May not be in an optimal position to be making a judgment call about content. If I, if I understand the issue correctly.

00:38:30.410 --> 00:38:31.040
Douglas Genna
But they would be the.

00:38:31.370 --> 00:38:46.100
Douglas Genna
The the closest person of authority that's capable of making that decision right. If the department chair can't decide if faculty in their own department are capable of being capable researchers, then how the hell is our committee kind of be able to do it?

00:38:45.810 --> 00:38:58.630
Paul Louth
Or if they're if they're, if they're placed there for for I'm sorry, but if they're placed there for business reasons, not not because they're experts in that field that then they may not be capable of that. I I I.

00:38:55.490 --> 00:38:55.780
Douglas Genna
Right?

00:38:58.290 --> 00:39:15.730
Douglas Genna
Yeah, I get that were kind of concerned about what department chairs are going to look like, you know, I mean that a Patrick point, you know. I mean, in theory, department chairs had always been at the point at the will of the Provost. Although faculty voted to suggest it. I mean, there is never been anything stopping them from appointing whoever they want to be the department chair.

00:39:17.420 --> 00:39:25.280
Paul Louth
Right, but we're in a different environment now where shared governance means something a little different. I think than it used to or whatever had any meeting.

00:39:23.580 --> 00:39:24.020
Douglas Genna
Sure.

00:39:26.820 --> 00:39:28.460
Valerie O'Dell
Virgil, did you have your hand up?

00:39:28.560 --> 00:39:43.920
Virgil Solomon
Yes Valerie. So just to add to that, comments in the stem. So the engineering the the research advisor is the chair of the thesis or dissertation committee, so it's the same as in the campus in chemistry. Now, regarding the.

00:39:43.970 --> 00:39:54.020
Virgil Solomon
Uh, uh, the the checkpoints actually the the way that it works. Dog right now it starts from the chair, so the with the category one.

00:39:54.070 --> 00:39:55.840
Virgil Solomon
In a category one.

00:39:55.890 --> 00:40:16.500
Virgil Solomon
I'm, uh, application. So the uh and it goes. So there are a few checkpoints to check for the category one, so it starts with the chair recommendation goes to the STEM to the College committee, and after that comes here. So at this level you already have the base people checking.

00:40:17.130 --> 00:40:35.510
Virgil Solomon
And approving the category one faculty. So of course I cannot. I cannot check somebody from business or from arts, but I I rely on what the the chair of the department and the Graduate college team recommended.

00:40:36.790 --> 00:40:53.440
Virgil Solomon
So we have a few, at least in the the the current system. We have a few checkpoints. That being said, definitely I like to to to to have something, uh, something. Much simpler to go, and at least in I don't know if we can if we can divide this for.

00:40:53.490 --> 00:41:23.920
Virgil Solomon
Uh, this process for college is it will be too complicated maybe, but another way to do it? It's as you mentioned earlier, just we have the list eventually. Eventually the that the committee member of the thesis Committee member, or the dissertation comma Committee member sent to Sal and the South to check them or send to Angie and somebody to check them. And I I. I just recently I. I have a doctoral student and it happened that one of the committee member.

00:41:23.970 --> 00:41:54.100
Virgil Solomon
It's from a different university and I know a Angie asked me for the the ASK the the the the member that committee member for the CV for the updated CV just to make sure that the person it's right for the OR also we had another committee member in that dissertation that his category one faculty wasn't updated and Angie check that and ask that faculty to so we have at least in the current system. I know it's complicated.

00:41:54.160 --> 00:41:55.420
Virgil Solomon
But we have a few checkpoints.

00:41:56.210 --> 00:41:56.880
Valerie O'Dell
That's true.

00:41:56.530 --> 00:41:57.000
Virgil Solomon
OK.

00:41:57.620 --> 00:41:58.130
Valerie O'Dell
Warranty.

00:41:57.700 --> 00:41:58.230
Sal Sanders
So.

00:41:58.980 --> 00:41:59.670
Valerie O'Dell
And upper.

00:42:01.570 --> 00:42:08.130
lcummins
Yes, it there seems to be two things. First, there is the checkpoints of who this goes through. But there's also the criteria.

00:42:08.730 --> 00:42:17.950
lcummins
Uhm, to avoid any kind of bias, I mean, depending on a chair, and even if they're not experts in the field, if they have written criteria by which they're judging.

00:42:18.310 --> 00:42:47.740
lcummins
Uhm, whether this person gets category one or not. There is no bias here there. It's kind of like. Well, yes they have this research. Yes, they've been teaching this long yes and yes. So should that criteria maybe be in our governance documents and the proposal that Doug wrote say something like in the eyes of the Graduate School with criteria identified in department governance documents or something like that where we at least have.

00:42:48.170 --> 00:43:01.020
lcummins
Specific criteria where we can eliminate biases. If department chairs do get in UM and evidence is there, you can't deny it and you can't make it up.

00:43:01.720 --> 00:43:03.180
lcummins
So that's just my thoughts.

00:43:03.530 --> 00:43:04.750
Valerie O'Dell
That's that's a good point.

00:43:05.740 --> 00:43:06.340
Valerie O'Dell
Sal

00:43:07.200 --> 00:43:23.470
Sal Sanders
Or if we have faith that the chairs can be the ones to okay/approve this, all we really need to do is add a chair signature to the committee form and have them approve it. That way we could consider it OK as long as they meet the other criteria, have a doctorate or the terminal degree in their field, and as far as the criteria goes, whether it's in the governance document or not, we have it published up on our website and so the departments could add more detail to that, but that makes it a lot harder to be biased because the criteria is out there for everyone to see. I think that it could still be posted up on the website - students and others knowing what the criteria is in order to chair a thesis or at dissertation committee will be very helpful.

00:43:55.430 --> 00:43:57.820
Valerie O'Dell
Virgil, did you have something else to add?

00:43:58.820 --> 00:44:00.900
Virgil Solomon
No, I'm fine. Yes, thank you Bob.

00:44:03.900 --> 00:44:05.930
Valerie O'Dell
OK, any other comments?

00:44:08.810 --> 00:44:30.200
Tomi Ovaska
Valerie, just a small comment. I myself for some reason I cannot get excited about this decentralized decision making. I'd much rather see a university policy with some minimum requirements, and then we know that you know that applies to YSU rather than having 16 different.

00:44:30.870 --> 00:44:36.760
Tomi Ovaska
March another different policies and we are not sure it is this as good as that and so on.

00:44:41.890 --> 00:44:49.100
Valerie O'Dell
Well, I I think we do have a minimum university requirements that we sell for for this.

00:44:51.170 --> 00:44:52.450
Valerie O'Dell
So we do.

00:44:53.180 --> 00:45:10.050
Sal Sanders
You know it depends where you want to go with this. Like we could leave the criteria that we currently have and just say in addition, if they have their doctorate or their terminal degree, they would be approved without any further review other than to be the chair for the committee.

00:45:27.290 --> 00:45:39.440
Virgil Solomon
I I'm L Val I'm I'd like to add here, so definitely I. I agree with dog approaching the STEM college is going to work. Having a terminal degree. It's absolutely it's fine.

00:45:40.050 --> 00:45:52.610
Virgil Solomon
OK, and you can be a you can be part of the thesis or dissertation committee. So from the perspective perspective of engineering and stem foliage, I'll say that that's that's fine.

00:45:53.280 --> 00:46:01.650
Virgil Solomon
Again, if we try to, as Tommy mentioned, just to keep a a unified system for all the colleges.

00:46:02.510 --> 00:46:07.960
Virgil Solomon
Uh, definitely the the best one is the one that you have in place right now, I think.

00:46:10.790 --> 00:46:21.850
Sal Sanders
And I think if you have your terminal degree in the field or if you have a doctorate in that field, you do have some evidence of achievement, right?

00:46:26.400 --> 00:46:42.940
Valerie O'Dell
Well, not to mention, as you're being evaluated periodically, you know through your chair, whomever I mean. You have to, you know, or you know side from. From this you still have to maintain. You know much of this, these activities anyways.

00:46:46.760 --> 00:47:00.070
Valerie O'Dell
So what do we wanna do with this with these proposals then? Or are we? Do we wanna try to tweak it to make it simpler or or just leave it as what we already have or what it what do we want to do with this?

00:47:01.700 --> 00:47:11.450
Sal Sanders
Well, I think if you have a proposal. If if there's a second it should be voted on either up or down, and then you could take it from there. Unless there's some discussion with a friendly amendment or two that would fix it.

00:47:06.810 --> 00:47:07.240
Valerie O'Dell
OK.

00:47:11.740 --> 00:47:18.400
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, I I just I just want to go back to one. I said last meeting and you were going to check into it. Do we even have to do anything?

00:47:22.780 --> 00:47:27.880
Virgil Solomon
So Patrick, you mean that having the one P now that we have would not agree one thing.

00:47:26.360 --> 00:47:27.780
Patrick J. Bateman
Correct, we even need to have.

00:47:28.570 --> 00:47:30.470
Patrick J. Bateman
Fact graduate faculty status.

00:47:30.610 --> 00:47:40.120
Sal Sanders
So do we need to have graduate faculty status? Right now we do because all this is in board policy, so we don't have an option right now. We have to do something.

00:47:41.340 --> 00:47:45.810
Sal Sanders
It's just been approved by the board of trustees again.

00:47:44.510 --> 00:47:50.140
Patrick J. Bateman
I I get that, but you had mentioned there was another university in Ohio. Know if it was right state or whatnot that they don't.

00:47:49.700 --> 00:48:18.710
Sal Sanders

 It's the University of Dayton.

00:47:52.080 --> 00:47:52.440
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah.

00:48:23.280 --> 00:48:50.170
Sal Sanders
My concern is I have seen some of these problems where we're trying to put people who are unqualified to even teach graduate courses, so the category two is one of the places where I see a need to hold the line for quality.

00:48:52.370 --> 00:48:53.320
Virgil Solomon
I thought Sally.

00:48:52.600 --> 00:48:55.660
Douglas Genna
Yeah, and I think you convince me that last time, which is why I dropped.

00:48:56.550 --> 00:48:58.490
Douglas Genna
Like we kept it category one.

00:48:59.110 --> 00:48:59.570
Douglas Genna
Uhm?

00:48:59.160 --> 00:49:03.020
Sal Sanders
And I wish I wish I could say different, but I I can't really from what I've seen.

00:49:01.640 --> 00:49:15.570
Douglas Genna
I, I mean I I I, I believe you and I I, I've heard stories myself, and you know, and this might be like a really what we're arguing about is like a really a philosophical university issue of whether the colleges.

00:49:16.240 --> 00:49:23.580
Douglas Genna
Should be held, not held to different standards, but they all functioned differently, and so should we have different criteria since they're different.

00:49:24.510 --> 00:49:38.200
Douglas Genna
Or should we have one universal set of criteria to make it blank, you know? And I think that's kind of maybe what, Virgil and and and told me and I are kind of a neighboring, also kind of like arguing or discussing is, yeah, a blanket.

00:49:39.060 --> 00:49:54.620
Douglas Genna
For all YSU or for almost in going back to the college and let the college designed decide its own criteria is like a personal said like how I worded this, the STEM college would be fine and you know, and that's the only college I really know how to comment on because that's the college I work in.

00:49:56.080 --> 00:50:01.130
Sal Sanders
Yeah, I think the way it's worded it, if we change if we change it to scholarly work it will be better.

00:50:01.760 --> 00:50:06.670
Sal Sanders
I think it works for a lot of the colleges in fact, I think it could work for all of them, with just some minor tweaks.

00:50:06.640 --> 00:50:07.060
Douglas Genna
Sure.

00:50:08.220 --> 00:50:24.850
Sal Sanders
The HLC does have requirements on who can teach graduate level courses, which would include thesis and dissertations, and the doctorate or terminal degree is a minimum requirement. We have to have criteria to say why are they so exceptional with just a master's degree that they can still teach at the graduate level.

00:50:26.710 --> 00:50:29.760
Douglas Genna
Right, and so I didn't comment on that. I guess why I kept it to people with dark.

00:50:29.210 --> 00:50:29.800
Sal Sanders
Yeah.

00:50:30.860 --> 00:50:43.090
Sal Sanders
At this level. We have very few problems with who, chairs thesis, and dissertation committees, so whatever is happening out there in the colleges - is working - we usually get qualified people to chair them.

00:50:47.890 --> 00:50:48.380
Valerie O'Dell
Well.

00:50:48.700 --> 00:51:01.730
Tomi Ovaska
Sal would something go wrong in the nomination process? And I don't know. Department chair makes a mistake or so. Would you still maintain the power to overrule?

00:51:04.180 --> 00:51:05.380
Tomi Ovaska
I, I think you should.

00:51:04.290 --> 00:51:15.380
Sal Sanders
 I've never overruled a committee once it's been formed. I have sent stuff back and asked them to fix it, when I've seen you know something really bad come through.

00:51:15.630 --> 00:51:17.010
Tomi Ovaska
OK, I fixed O

00:51:16.830 --> 00:51:26.200
Sal Sanders
And Chris is aware of that as well. We actually put those expectations together after some experiences, but I've never overruled a committee. I don't know that I want to get into that for the same reasons we just discussed. I mean, I can see minimal qualifications pretty easily, but I don't know enough about every field to say that I should be the final authority.

We really do depend on the faculty for that and so far - like I said, they do a pretty good job putting committees together. We don't usually have a lot of issues.

00:51:52.910 --> 00:52:00.610
Valerie O'Dell
So do we want to vote on this proposal then to either accept it or or or not?

00:52:01.200 --> 00:52:01.830
Valerie O'Dell
Uhm?

00:52:04.930 --> 00:52:08.640
Valerie O'Dell
Do we want to do any tweaking took before we vote on the proposal?

00:52:11.670 --> 00:52:13.250
Valerie O'Dell
We had a.

00:52:14.090 --> 00:52:26.280
Valerie O'Dell
Down here, hold a PhD or terminal doctorate on. Do we wanna like you know what Paul was saying? You know they don't have, you know the doctor is not their their terminal degree.

00:52:26.880 --> 00:52:30.170
Valerie O'Dell
We wanna say a terminal degree or something.

00:52:31.390 --> 00:52:32.970
Valerie O'Dell
Category 1 status.

00:52:33.900 --> 00:52:40.530
Sal Sanders
I think that would be appropriate, at least change it to terminal degree.

00:52:42.390 --> 00:52:50.820
Valerie O'Dell
Like we would just change that to all faculty members who hold a terminal degree, be granted, granted category one status in the eyes of the Graduate School.

00:52:51.450 --> 00:52:54.920
Valerie O'Dell
With all teaching or thesis committee assignments.

00:52:55.510 --> 00:52:56.220
Valerie O'Dell
Uhm?

00:52:57.710 --> 00:53:01.540
Valerie O'Dell
We wanted to keep being at the discretion of the department or department chair.

00:53:01.490 --> 00:53:04.980
Douglas Genna
I like your amendment to keep it at the discretion of the department.

00:53:05.560 --> 00:53:06.080
Douglas Genna
'cause that?

00:53:06.850 --> 00:53:08.870
Douglas Genna
You know, decentralized the power to the chair.

00:53:06.970 --> 00:53:07.340
Valerie O'Dell
OK.

00:53:08.920 --> 00:53:15.990
Douglas Genna
There or you can go now we called them divisions. I don't know if that or program. I don't know what word is best.

00:53:17.260 --> 00:53:24.840
Douglas Genna
But I'm fine with just department is also, you know 'cause that makes it ambiguous enough that it doesn't centralized the power to the chair and.

00:53:25.480 --> 00:53:28.080
Douglas Genna
The you know interested parties can.

00:53:29.600 --> 00:53:30.240
Douglas Genna
Have their say.

00:53:32.450 --> 00:53:42.740
Sal Sanders
So how do we know when they've come to agreement if everyone gets their say that that's my concern, 'cause I have to operationalize this with Angie at some point. So how do we know when we have an agreement?

00:53:45.770 --> 00:53:57.840
Douglas Genna
I'm gonna guess what's there to agree on when someone hired you validate their degree. You know what their degree status is when they're hired it to the department. Should he met the sign? Anything, it's HR knows that I have a doctorate and she go right to you.

00:53:59.060 --> 00:54:05.210
Sal Sanders
OK, so then why do we need anyone's approval then? I'm going back to Tomi’s comments were earlier.

00:54:04.500 --> 00:54:29.130
Douglas Genna
I'm talking about teaching assignments now, right? Like I've got like so like because I think one of the complaints we had last month was that, OK, you grant someone graduate graduate one status? That doesn't necessarily mean they could teach everything. Of course, it doesn't mean they could teach everything like I can't teach all graduate classes. That's what Tim Wagner helps decide what I'm allowed to teach. So like to me, it's just restating what's already done.

00:54:06.680 --> 00:54:09.700
Sal Sanders
Oh, I'm talking about the thesis and dissertations.

00:54:30.080 --> 00:54:30.920
Douglas Genna
At YSU

00:54:30.310 --> 00:54:34.730
Sal Sanders
No, yeah, I'm OK with that. I'm just worried about the thesis and dissertations.

00:54:36.490 --> 00:54:39.040
Valerie O'Dell
Did you say with all the teaching or committee?

00:54:39.870 --> 00:54:41.570
Valerie O'Dell
Is this committee assignments?

00:54:42.100 --> 00:54:45.870
Valerie O'Dell
Uh, like as needed by the department.

00:54:46.630 --> 00:54:47.200
Valerie O'Dell
Or

00:54:48.190 --> 00:54:50.030
Valerie O'Dell
I'm just trying to think of some other.

00:54:49.380 --> 00:55:03.560
Douglas Genna
I mean, do we even need the language? I guess right? Because there's no. Is there language in the graduate one faculty status now about who I mean? Once you have graduate one status, you can do whatever you want. You have all the rights that the gradual one faculty member has.

00:55:04.850 --> 00:55:05.290
Sal Sanders
Yep.

00:55:06.370 --> 00:55:08.370
Douglas Genna
So you almost don't need this statement I guess.

00:55:09.360 --> 00:55:23.730
Virgil Solomon
How about if we keep the statement for one POK so automatically when the faculty with a doctoral degree came into the college, it applies, but it gets the the one P status.

00:55:27.180 --> 00:55:33.560
Virgil Solomon
And that's permanent. So as long as that faculty is going to be there and is going to do research is going, it's just.

00:55:40.080 --> 00:55:40.970
Virgil Solomon
OK, so.

00:55:42.410 --> 00:55:53.440
Virgil Solomon
Because I see that in on the we have category 1P approved for the following for some of the the STEM college faculties in here.

00:55:54.220 --> 00:55:58.940
Virgil Solomon
So just having the one P from the beginning and it's going to stay.

00:56:00.340 --> 00:56:01.620
Virgil Solomon
Permanently with that.

00:56:02.200 --> 00:56:05.590
Virgil Solomon
You want the the person will have to apply again. Yes, Patrick.

00:56:08.780 --> 00:56:09.810
Sal Sanders
Patrick, you're on mute.

00:56:10.920 --> 00:56:12.760
Patrick J. Bateman
Doing that a lot, I'm a Webex person.

00:56:12.990 --> 00:56:13.460
Sal Sanders
You

00:56:14.260 --> 00:56:17.830
Patrick J. Bateman
There seems to be no different, no need to have a one in a 1P.

00:56:19.670 --> 00:56:20.840
Sal Sanders
not. If we're going to do this.

00:56:22.360 --> 00:56:33.330
Patrick J. Bateman
Right and then it goes back to what the original intent of 1 P was is 1 would be reserved for people actively involved in overseeing research, and one P was for those who just going to be teaching.

00:56:33.930 --> 00:56:43.130
Patrick J. Bateman
So can we just do a want category one and I put it in the chat, all faculty members who hold a terminal, Dr. Green, there feel would be granted Category 1 status.

00:56:45.960 --> 00:56:46.480
Valerie O'Dell
Period.

00:56:46.240 --> 00:56:49.210
Patrick J. Bateman
Is that not address all the issues?

00:56:51.870 --> 00:56:52.320
Douglas Genna
Sure.

00:56:52.780 --> 00:56:59.890
Sal Sanders
Well, we have to. We have to say more than that though if we're going to include the people who have a masters, that's a terminal degree like the MFA.

00:56:59.900 --> 00:57:01.390
Valerie O'Dell
So that, I think, is that.

00:57:00.580 --> 00:57:07.150
Patrick J. Bateman
I I'm going to delete, it just was supposed to be terminal, Dr Green or terminal doctorate. So called a typo.

00:57:05.420 --> 00:57:06.030
Sal Sanders
OK.

00:57:05.620 --> 00:57:06.640
Valerie O'Dell
For free

00:57:07.540 --> 00:57:08.490
Sal Sanders
OK, yeah.

00:57:08.790 --> 00:57:17.110
Valerie O'Dell
so all faculty members who hold a terminal degree be granted casually, walked in in their field that agree one step.

00:57:12.500 --> 00:57:13.590
Patrick J. Bateman
In their field.

00:57:16.150 --> 00:57:17.870
Patrick J. Bateman
Be granted Category 1 status.

00:57:25.350 --> 00:57:26.880
Valerie O'Dell
So do we wanna vote on that?

00:57:27.480 --> 00:57:28.030
Valerie O'Dell
Statement.

00:57:27.720 --> 00:57:28.730
Patrick J. Bateman
And that's permanent.

00:57:29.280 --> 00:57:31.790
Virgil Solomon
That's fine with me. Yes, sounds OK.

00:57:32.310 --> 00:57:36.410
Valerie O'Dell
The category one for perpetual status or.

00:57:32.360 --> 00:57:32.720
Douglas Genna
Yep.

00:57:36.060 --> 00:57:40.360
Patrick J. Bateman
It's just it's just category 1101 P go way, it's just category one.

00:57:40.850 --> 00:57:42.200
Sal Sanders
And it doesn't expire.

00:57:41.500 --> 00:57:41.810
Patrick J. Bateman
At.

00:57:43.210 --> 00:57:43.630
Patrick J. Bateman
Right?

00:57:44.360 --> 00:57:45.400
Patrick J. Bateman
So basically, wait.

00:57:46.430 --> 00:57:58.390
Patrick J. Bateman
What used to be is when you were hired, you get this down. I was a three year probation period before you had officially apply, and now you're hired. You have a terminal degree, your graduate faculty, congratulations.

00:57:58.510 --> 00:58:04.390
Douglas Genna
I got an email from Sal six months in asking why I was teaching a graduate course, never filled out the application, so that's how it went down for me.

00:58:07.290 --> 00:58:13.600
Sal Sanders
I won't look unkindly on this change as long as we preserve the quality - 'cause it all eliminate a lot of extra work.

00:58:13.840 --> 00:58:15.570
Douglas Genna
You're right, I think that's yeah.

00:58:17.290 --> 00:58:28.650
Patrick J. Bateman
And I don't know that these standards were doing the quality catching the quality anyway. I mean, what all this stuff seems to be aimed at, his catching the bad stuff that happens in that bottom of things.

00:58:29.660 --> 00:58:29.960
Patrick J. Bateman
At.

00:58:29.790 --> 00:58:40.370
Sal Sanders
The one the one thing that we still have to work on is the research - going through the research training, 'cause that's one place where we still do have problems. Even with people that have doctorates.

00:58:41.130 --> 00:58:46.180
Patrick J. Bateman
And you can do that when they're applying for their IRB to do the research right.

00:58:42.620 --> 00:58:44.110
Sal Sanders
So we'll do it some other way.

00:58:46.560 --> 00:58:49.580
Sal Sanders
Yeah we can. We can do it. We'll figure out something.

00:58:50.260 --> 00:58:50.660
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah.

00:58:52.380 --> 00:58:56.970
Sal Sanders
Our problem is they go ahead and conduct the research without getting IRB approval. That's where the problem is.

00:58:57.770 --> 00:59:00.740
Patrick J. Bateman
Well, then the status isn't fixing that one way or another.

00:59:01.120 --> 00:59:06.980
Sal Sanders
Well, those right now because in order to get your renewal for category one you have to go through the training or sign a waiver.

00:59:05.460 --> 00:59:05.820
Patrick J. Bateman
So.

00:59:07.890 --> 00:59:09.210
Sal Sanders
What will work on that part?

00:59:12.880 --> 00:59:16.210
Douglas Genna
Well, I second the new amend, the motion or whatever the vote on it.

00:59:16.910 --> 00:59:26.810
Valerie O'Dell
Well, let's put it out for officially, the proposal will be all faculty members who hold a terminal degree in their field be granted Category 1 status.

00:59:28.140 --> 00:59:32.010
Valerie O'Dell
So all in favor of that raised her hand or say I.

00:59:33.520 --> 00:59:36.010
Valerie O'Dell
Any opposed or abstained?

00:59:38.090 --> 00:59:41.520
Valerie O'Dell
OK, alright with that motion puke.

00:59:42.720 --> 00:59:44.060
Valerie O'Dell
That motion passes.

00:59:45.780 --> 00:59:46.360
Valerie O'Dell
Seriously?

00:59:48.130 --> 00:59:51.300
Linda A Hulburt-Blosser
I'm sorry what's that one? Was there one abstention?

00:59:48.230 --> 00:59:48.960
Valerie O'Dell
OK, I'm sorry.

00:59:52.730 --> 00:59:54.390
Linda A Hulburt-Blosser
What was the vote again, please?

00:59:55.940 --> 00:59:57.110
Valerie O'Dell
Did anyone abstain?

00:59:58.210 --> 00:59:59.530
Patrick J. Bateman
No, you have one objection.

01:00:00.290 --> 01:00:01.110
Christopher Bellas
22

01:00:00.350 --> 01:00:00.880
Linda A Hulburt-Blosser
OK.

01:00:01.860 --> 01:00:02.530
Patrick J. Bateman
Two up.

01:00:03.800 --> 01:00:04.470
Patrick J. Bateman
Sorry.

01:00:06.570 --> 01:00:07.170
Linda A Hulburt-Blosser
Thank you.

01:00:13.090 --> 01:00:14.960
Valerie O'Dell
OK UM.

01:00:16.300 --> 01:00:18.660
Valerie O'Dell
Next, we have graduate assistantships.

01:00:21.420 --> 01:00:27.450
Sal Sanders
Over the over the past year with the budget constraints, we've gone over the amount of money that we have to cover the tuition that's available to students, especially those where the grant is paying for the stipend, but not for the fringe benefit portion of an assistantship. It's a good thing that we've had a lot more people writing grants and the grants have gotten funded. In fact, I think they said it was a record year last year, but we've gone over the budget and so the Provost was asking me how we were going to cover that cost. We don't have a way to adjust our budget here at the Graduate College, so it was either that we weren't going to fund any more research oriented assistantships or we had to find another solution. So, for this year temporarily Sev through the Office of Research is going to cover the overage for this year which is a great solution, but that can't be a permanent one. So for next year I'm just letting this committee know that the solution we agreed to is that next year I would cut 15 of our current allocated assistantships in order to use that money to fund additional fringe benefits for assistants that are funded through external dollars, such as research grants.

01:01:40.510 --> 01:01:53.130
Sal Sanders
When the committee needs to give me advice on the next allocations there will be 15 less than there are this year because that funding is going to be used to cover the fringe benefit for research oriented assistantships.

If you have other ideas where I can find funding, I'm open, but that's the that's the only other place I know.

01:01:56.120 --> 01:01:56.950
Tomi Ovaska
And Sal.

01:02:03.280 --> 01:02:07.490
Tomi Ovaska
Sal, what is the total of assistantships we have now?

01:02:08.640 --> 01:02:16.650
Sal Sanders
170 I'll send out the actual number if I'm off I might be off by one or two, but it's around there.

01:02:18.550 --> 01:02:23.240
Sal Sanders
When we cut these 15 - wherever they come from - I know people are going to be upset about it.

01:02:25.150 --> 01:02:27.820
Douglas Genna
Art is the plan still to come.

01:02:28.930 --> 01:02:39.280
Douglas Genna
In the future, cover the fringe on on the grants or after this round of grants expire overall or for all future grants emissions we have to cover the fringes.

01:02:40.110 --> 01:02:50.280
Sal Sanders
We want tuition to be covered. Whenever the grant will cover it, it should be paid by the grant. but I want to use the money from these 15 that I'm cutting back on that will be in an account for me to use to continue to fund it.

01:02:47.770 --> 01:02:48.130
Douglas Genna
Yeah.

01:02:50.610 --> 01:02:51.110
Douglas Genna
I see.

01:02:51.280 --> 01:02:58.390
Sal Sanders
I'll have to approve it though, because when I run out of money I'm not going to run over budget at this point. We are in a rough spot financially.

01:02:58.490 --> 01:03:03.000
Douglas Genna
Sure, but you're gonna encourage Peize who write grants to cover the fringe and the grant.

01:03:03.570 --> 01:03:10.370
Sal Sanders
Yeah, the grants office, I think currently does. Whenever the grant will cover it, we try to get it covered, but there are a number of grants that won't.

01:03:06.360 --> 01:03:06.680
Douglas Genna
Yeah.

01:03:10.740 --> 01:03:12.490
Douglas Genna
OK, I'm just I'm just making sure.

01:03:12.750 --> 01:03:14.940
Douglas Genna
Spent those good policy thing or whatever.

01:03:15.270 --> 01:03:19.800
Sal Sanders
So it is going to show a preference towards research-oriented grants.

01:03:20.820 --> 01:03:26.870
Sal Sanders
But I think we have to do that because at least then the stipend is being covered by external dollars instead of the university funding them.

01:03:31.990 --> 01:03:36.980
Sal Sanders
So that's what that was about it. If anyone has any other ideas how I can get some money, I'm open to it, but that's my plan if I don't.

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01:03:43.200 --> 01:04:13.030 - Split Assistantships
Tomi Ovaska
Well, Sal, this is unrelated. I item and this is for everyone. About three years ago, economics started to split. The system ships that they have to personally have two person B and then it went. You know what's what's split between fall and spring and it had a definite effect. Positive effect on our enrollment. Then we change the policy so that you cannot put it anymore, but.

01:04:13.080 --> 01:04:43.410
Tomi Ovaska
We in a fall and spring but you have to give the same amount of money. Either you know fall or spring and that actually started to drop our numbers again and we didn't understand in economics why it happened. But we do know that it happened and we are trying to figure out that why. What was the process, why it happened and when we figure it out, we'd like to come back with that this issue to the Graduate Council and and, you know.

01:04:43.570 --> 01:04:47.620
Tomi Ovaska
Explain that maybe maybe make a case to move back to the old.

01:04:48.830 --> 01:04:55.970
Sal Sanders
Yeah, I'd be happy to talk about that. Not this meeting 'cause we're already pretty late, but I would definitely be happy to address that at the next meeting.

01:05:02.200 --> 01:05:09.680
Valerie O'Dell
OK, well we can move on to #7 program representation on the college Graduate Studies Committee.

01:05:12.920 --> 01:05:30.810
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, and I'm wondering if it's since it's five after this, something we moved to next week because I I think a lot of the conversation that happened previously highlights some of the things that are driving this question, which is what's the role of like a centralized group versus programs. When you start to think about things like program size.

01:05:31.550 --> 01:05:33.650
Patrick J. Bateman
And in particular, we're having it.

01:05:34.290 --> 01:05:46.630
Patrick J. Bateman
Just watch this space. We're trying to navigate right now since you know people mentioned hey, the colleges are merged and there's and then yeah, I didn't say that AP is like the MBA is become like this bohemoth.

01:05:47.770 --> 01:06:03.790
Patrick J. Bateman
Uhm, and we talked a little bit about like these things where they P they're different. They need to be managed and and done differently because of their size. I mean so for context. Right now, the MBA program. It's a third of all graduate students were like 32%.

01:06:04.390 --> 01:06:08.420
Patrick J. Bateman
In the College of Business, it's 92% of graduate students.

01:06:09.060 --> 01:06:36.960
Patrick J. Bateman
So when we're trying to form committees that are representative of the downside is that they tend to unintentionally minimize or isolate some of the other programs, so we're trying to figure out does he's college need to have a college committee, and you know, speaking to Douglas, this point where people may or may not understand the programs that this larger committee or kind of college have multiple committees.

01:06:37.660 --> 01:06:43.500
Patrick J. Bateman
Or should these AP beastly programs be collected and report until another type of structure?

01:06:48.190 --> 01:07:03.900
Patrick J. Bateman
So that's sort of I. I just wanna have a conversation on that is the do the rules of the Graduate School set. Each college must have a single committee and then that flows. The Council made up two Sal. Or can there be? You know, I don't know, uh?

01:07:04.550 --> 01:07:27.170
Patrick J. Bateman
And think about organizational structure. There's two direct reports to graduate structure. I'm sure graduate council from a college one is. If you're an AP program that is reached excess of this enrollments and then another combination of anything, and I imagine if other colleges aren't having this yet. Once they're size starts getting the close to 500 your your there's gonna be these challenges.

01:07:30.210 --> 01:07:30.720
Patrick J. Bateman
Uhm?

01:07:31.300 --> 01:07:55.740
Patrick J. Bateman
And, uh, we UN and I unintentionally took up the majority of the first meeting trying to get deadlines and these things straight, which were critically important. In fact, we're still coming back. But just to our program, I mean, you could argue, OK, it's a third of the Graduate School, but to everybody else, these are things you you're not going to have to deal with the same way with, you know doctoral committees and thesis committees were not gonna have to ever deal with.

01:07:56.680 --> 01:08:01.960
Patrick J. Bateman
So how is? How do we deal with what's becoming more more?

01:08:03.530 --> 01:08:05.860
Patrick J. Bateman
I don't know this, there's this different.

01:08:07.130 --> 01:08:13.360
Patrick J. Bateman
Incredible differences between programs that have been fueled in part by these large program initiatives.

01:08:14.330 --> 01:08:18.400
Patrick J. Bateman
I going back to people you know there's a universal standards or things make sense.

01:08:30.700 --> 01:08:37.000
Valerie O'Dell
Well, Sal V is very common on that as far as, so that's all just in banner.

01:08:37.300 --> 01:08:52.990
Sal Sanders
I think it would be something really useful for us to discuss, but at another meeting 'cause I do think it's going to involve more than a few minutes of discussion. I I definitely can appreciate the uniqueness of some of these programs that have gotten quite large.

01:08:42.170 --> 01:08:42.530
Valerie O'Dell
Yeah.

01:08:51.900 --> 01:08:56.540
Patrick J. Bateman
Yeah, and it's not just the program itself is that it has unintended.

01:08:57.440 --> 01:09:00.140
Patrick J. Bateman
Effects on other programs that aren't AP.

01:09:01.460 --> 01:09:05.030
Patrick J. Bateman
And and that's you know that's not what anyone is looking for.

01:09:06.150 --> 01:09:15.680
Patrick J. Bateman
And like how do we navigate that space? So something as simple as you know what we're talking about today? OK, let's have a graduate mode on graduate faculty status well.

01:09:16.470 --> 01:09:36.180
Patrick J. Bateman
It would be tough enough, given that there's different size difference and they have different disciplines. I don't know how you reconcile that and what's a representative committee. Is it, uh, Senate model? You know two people from every state? Or is it a House of Representative model where you really need to look at the size of a program and that's how representatives on a college committee could could play?

01:09:37.200 --> 01:09:37.910
Patrick J. Bateman
Uhm?

01:09:39.070 --> 01:09:48.210
Patrick J. Bateman
So I'm a big proponent of if we can move towards something that would be more of programs directly report into the Graduate Council as opposed to.

01:09:49.010 --> 01:09:50.140
Patrick J. Bateman
Uh college.

01:09:51.390 --> 01:09:58.710
Patrick J. Bateman
And again, I'm not even sure if what the World Graduate Council is for these these mega things.

01:10:01.100 --> 01:10:27.550
Virgil Solomon
Yeah Patrick, I have a comment there because it's related again with the budget that yeah, we we become here in engineering. We have five different graduate programs and before we have five different program directors and some of them they got some release time for doing their job and now the the the Dean says no we cannot have five graduate program directors. Getting reveals time. You have to have only one.

01:10:28.250 --> 01:10:28.770
Virgil Solomon
Uh.

01:10:30.720 --> 01:10:37.700
Virgil Solomon
And it's it's not fair actually, because I, I I, I'm the program director here in engineering. But to be honest, I don't know all the programs.

01:10:38.530 --> 01:10:39.230
Virgil Solomon
I just

01:10:41.010 --> 01:10:49.920
Virgil Solomon
and I don't know I don't do the work that people are doing the work. They don't have any recognition on that, but that that's that's what the the policy is now.

01:10:53.480 --> 01:11:11.510
Valerie O'Dell
Well, certainly that there is going to be a lot more to discuss about that, so I I think we do need to probably table that for next time just 'cause it is after five already. But a lot of good points to to bring up and discuss about that. If we could just move on to to Sal's comments.

01:11:12.900 --> 01:11:32.670
Sal Sanders
 I'll keep them very brief 'cause we're already running pretty late, but I I do want to thank everyone for bringing these important issues forward and not being afraid to discuss everything so that we can come up with the best you know, conclusions we can. So keep up all the great work and I look forward to further discussion at our next meeting.

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Valerie O'Dell
OK, I guess we're done then right here.

**Graduate Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes**

**October 14-26, 2021**

**Email Meeting**

Members Participating: Virgil Solomon (chair), Christopher Bellas, M. Kathleen Cripe, Ewelina Boczkowska Ying Wang

Student Reps.: Tiffany Spisak

Agenda: October 13, 2021 circulation packet –2021-22:1-30

New Business:

**2021-22:1** MSN Nurse Anesthetist. Suspend admission.

**2021-22:2** Doctor of Health Sciences. Change of admission requirement to not require the GRE if applicant has a graduate degree and decrease writing sample to one. (Change of learning outcomes and admission requirements). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:3** PHYT 8995 *Dissertation in Health Science.* (Delete an 8900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:4** MS in Mathematics. Adjustment of course sequences and addition of data analytics course as possibility for elective. Removal of GRE requirement. (Change of degree requirements and admission requirements).

**2021-22:5** MATH 5875 *Complex Variables.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:6** MATH 6928 *Advanced Number Theory.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:7** MATH 6930 *Differential Geometry.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:8 MATH 6936 *Advanced Topics and Research in Graph Theory*. This is a research- based course in graph theory that builds upon knowledge learned in MATH 5835. The research process of a mathematician will be introduced and exercised while exploring advanced topics in graph theory and making discoveries through independent research. Prereq.: MATH 5835. 3 s.h. (New 6900 level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:9** MATH 6942 *Advanced Operations Research.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:10** MATH 6965 *Abstract Analysis 1.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:11 MATH 6975 *Complex Analysis 1*. Analytic and meromorphic functions of a complex variable, contour integration, the Cauchy-Goursat theorem, Taylor and Laurent series, residues and poles, conformal mapping. Credit will not be given for both MATH 4875 and MATH 6975. Prereq. MATH 3751 Real Analysis I, or permission of graduate coordinator. 3 s.h. (change in course description).

### 2021-22:12 MATH 7045 *Advanced Topics in Topological Analysis.* Content varies with each offering. Implements ideas from MATH 6915, MATH 6980, MATH 6981, and studies the overlap between topology and abstract analysis (topological games, topological groups, separate versus joint continuity, etc.). Emphasis on current literature and open questions. May be repeated with approval of graduate coordinator. Prereq.: MATH 6915, MATH 6980, MATH 6981, or equivalent, or permission of graduate coordinator. 3 s.h. (change to course description and course prereq).

### 2021-22:13 MATH 7055 *Seminar in Topology and Abstract Analysis*. Content varies with each offering. Implements ideas from MATH 6915, MATH 6980, MATH 6981 and focuses on current research activities of seminar participants. Student registrants are expected to make at least one major presentation each month of the term. May be repeated with approval of graduate coordinator. Prereq.: permission of graduate coordinator. 3 s.h (Change to course description and repetitions).

**2021-22:14** STAT 5800 *Mathematical Foundations of Actuarial Science1.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:15** STAT 5806 *Seminar in Actuarial Science.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:16 STAT 5846 *Categorical Data Analysis*. Discrete distributions, contingency table analysis, odds ratios, relative risk, logistic regression, hierarchical models. Prereq.: STAT 3743 or equivalent. 3 s.h. (Change in prerequisite). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:17** STAT 5847 *Nonparametric Statistics.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:18 STAT 5849  *Multivariate Statistical Analysis*. The statistical analysis of multivariate observations. Topics include multivariate probability distribution theory, regression, analysis of variance, and techniques in data analysis. Prereq.: MATH 3720 and STAT 3743 or equivalent . 3.s.h. (Change in prerequisite). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:19** STAT 6912 *Advanced SAS Programming for Data Analytics*. This course is designed to provide students with training in advanced SAS programming for data analytics. Main topics include SQL, Macro language, selected SAS statistical analysis procedures, and working with large data sets. Also listed as ECON 6992. Prerequ.: STAT 5811 or ECON 5861 3 s.h. (Change in prerequisite). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:20 STAT 6940 *Advanced Data Analysis*. An overview of techniques in data analysis. Includes a strong emphasis on visual interpretation of data. Topics include one or more samples, proportions, odds, regression, and multiple comparisons. Prereq.: STAT 3743 or permission of graduate coordinator. 3 s.h. (Change in prerequisite). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:21** STAT 6945 *Stochastic Processes.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:22** STAT 6946 *Sampling Methods.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

### 2021-22:23 STAT 6948 *Linear Models*. A study of linear statistical models of the relationship between analysis of variance and regression and the assumptions underlying the analysis of variance. Prerequ.: STAT 4817 or STAT 6940. 3 s.h. (Change in prerequisite).  *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:24** STAT 6949 *Design and Analysis of Experiments*. Fundamental principles of design and analysis of experiments. Topics include blocking; multifactor testing; multiple comparisons; repeated measures; crossing and nesting designs. Prerequ.: STAT 4817 or STAT 6940. 3 s.h. (Change in prerequisite). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:25** STAT 6988 *Modeling in Financial Economics.* (Delete a 6900-level course). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:26** MA in History. Remove GRE requirement. (Change in admission requirements). *(Informational Item.)*

**2021-22:27** EDAD 7022 *Clinical Experience: The Principalship*. Completed in a school covered by teaching certificate or license. Second administrative clinical experience designed to highlight tasks. May be repeated for credit to fulfill program requirements. 1 s.h. (Change course title, course description, semester hours and repeatability).

**2021-22:28** EDAD 7040 *Clinical Practice for the Administrative Specialist*. Candidates for administrative specialist licenses in areas of curriculum, instruction, and professional development or pupil services administration develop an individualized clinical plan and complete a set of tasks and an integrated project aligned with professional standards under the guidance of an appropriately licensed cooperating administrator. Prereq.: None. 1 s.h. (Change course prerequ, semester hours and repeatability).

**2021-22:29** EDAD 7050 *Clinical Experience: Superintendency*. Candidates for the superintendency license are required to complete four tasks from the master syllabus at the district-wide level, supervised by a school superintendent. Major components are the complete analysis of the financial structure of the candidate's school district and a system-level integrated project.. Prereq.: None. 1 s.h. (Change course prerequ, semester hours and repeatability).

**2021-22:30** MS in Chemistry. Removal of The Chemistry or Biochemistry subject GRE test for applicants who do not hold a BS or BA in Chemistry or Biochemistry. (Change in admission requirements). *(Informational Item.)*