MEETING OF THE 2008-2009 GRADUATE COUNCIL
Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Thursday, October 2, 2008--8:30 a.m.
Kaskaskia/Missouri Room—Student Center
AGENDA

Announcement of Proxies

1. Consideration of the minutes of the May 1, May 8, and September 4, 2008, Graduate Council meetings.

2. Propose changes in Graduate Council Meeting Dates:
   a. From Thursday, April 2, 2009, to Thursday, April 9, 2009, due to BOT meeting in Edwardsville.
   b. From Thursday, May 7, 2009, to Tuesday, May 5, 2009, due to BOT meeting in Carbondale.

3. Report from the Graduate Enrollment Working Group:
   a. David Wilson

4. Discussion of the Sexual Harassment Policy and Procedures
   a. General Counsel Jerry Blakemore and associates.

5. Remarks / Announcements
   a. University & Graduate School Leadership
   b. Constituency Leadership

6. Committee Reports

   a. Executive Committee – Prof. Britton

   a. Nominations Committee—Dr. Hellgren
      1. Planning & Budget Committee
      2. North Central Committees

   b. Programs Committee—Dr. Williard

      1. Program Name Change:

      The Department of Plant, Soil, and Agricultural Systems has requested a change in the name of their M.S. degree in “Plant and Soil Science” to “Plant, Soil, and Agricultural Systems” to better reflect the total spectrum of disciplines offered in their M.S. degree program. There are no costs associated with the name change.

      Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the change of the name of the M.S. degree in Plant and Soil Science to Plant, Soil, and Agricultural Systems.

      2. Program Modification:
The Department of Educational Psychology and Special Education has proposed to modify the existing MSED degree in Counselor Education to include a professional (non-thesis) track MSED in addition to the present thesis track MSED. The professional MSED would require 6 hours of approved course work beyond the core requirements of the student’s respective counseling specialty, in lieu of the thesis requirement. All MSED students will have to successfully complete a written comprehensive examination of the core curriculum. The professional MSED option would serve as a recruiting tool for prospective graduate students interested in practitioner positions in schools, community health settings, or private practices. There are no anticipated budgetary effects of this degree modification.

Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the modification of the existing MSED degree in Counselor Education to include a professional track MSED in addition to the present thesis track MSED.

3. Program (Certificate) Elimination:

The College of Education and Human Services has proposed to eliminate the Certificate in Couple and Family Counseling in the Counselor Education program. The request was made because, to date, no students have applied to the certificate program. There are no anticipated budgetary effects of this certificate elimination. The certificate program utilized existing courses from the Marital, Couple, and Family master’s degree program.

Be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the elimination of the Certificate in Couple and Family Counseling in the Counselor Education program.

c. Research Committee—Dr. Renzaglia
d. Program Review Committee—Dr. Mundschenk
e. Report of Ed. Policies Committee—Dr. Professor Manfredi

7. New Business

The Next Meeting of the Graduate Council will take place Thursday, November 6, 2008, at 8:30 a.m. in the Kaskaskia/Missouri Room of the Student Center.