

Graduate Course and Program Review Committee

Curriculum Minutes

Wednesday, November 12, 2025, 2-3:30 PM

Present: Nicole Pfannenstiel, Carolann Odi (ENWL GA + notetaker), Scott Warner, Aileen Hower, Deobrah Tamakloe, Beth Powers, Charlton Wolfgang, Duane Hagelgans, Abdul Ibrahim, Ann Gaudino, Tiffany Wright, Clarence Maxwell, Bryan Weinberg-Wonsidler, Joe Behun, Debra Vredenburg-Rudy, Karena Rush, Karen Rice (alternate for Laura Granruth), Alex Redcay, Julie Lombardi, Marc Harris

Absent: Leslie Gates, Lynn Marquez, Erin Moss, Kelly Rotondo, Laura Granruth (sent alternate)

1. Welcome
2. Minutes for review – these will be voted on at our next in-person meeting
 - a. [2025_10_29 Minutes.docx](#)
3. Graduation reminders (N. Pfannenstiel)
 - a. Important that students who apply for graduation pay attention to follow-up emails RSVP for ceremony, get tickets, etc.
4. Policy
 - a. Graduation Policy to be discussed at UCAPC (N. Pfannenstiel)
 - i. Questions, comments, concerns:
 - ii. K. Rush: Lengthier terminology allows for more flexibility “2 courses OR maximum of 6 credits”
 - iii. A. Hower: Can I equate the practicum with the capstone?
 - iv. Dr. Pfannenstiel – yes
 - v. Consensus: GCPRC prefers the lengthier terminology because it is more flexible for program needs.
 - b. Posthumous Degree policy to be discussed at UCAPC (A. Hower)
 - i. Rather than requiring a student to have had 75% of their credits completed, a posthumous degree can be awarded if the applicable dean has determined the student was in good standing.
 - ii. Comments:
 - iii. A. Hower & J. Behun: The use of percentages was not viewed well by APC. Faculty didn’t want to quantify students’ contributions and value to university.

- iv. K. Rush: Why are we asking the families to initiate this process?
- v. A. Hower: Policy is mainly to guide the registrar's office.
- vi. S. Warner: Is awarding a posthumous degree an appropriate acknowledgment of the individual?
- vii. Discussion on the difference between "posthumous" and "in memoriam."
- viii. J. Behun: Motion to model a policy consistent with undergrad policy & insert appropriate graduate language, T. Wright – Second

5. Curriculum

- a. ENGL 615 Seminar in Selected British Authors (Pfannenstiel – add DL)

**i. Motion to approve – T. Wright, Second – K. Rush. Electronic voting:
15 Approve**

Fall 2025-Spring 2026 Meetings

- ~~Wednesday August 27th, 2pm, Stayer~~
- ~~Wednesday September 10th, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom~~
- ~~Wednesday September 24th, 2pm, Stayer~~
- ~~Wednesday October 8th, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom~~
- ~~Wednesday October 22nd, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom~~
- ~~Wednesday October 29th, 2pm, Stayer~~
- Wednesday November 12th, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom
- Wednesday December 3rd, 2pm, Stayer
- Wednesday January 28th, 2pm, Stayer
- Wednesday February 11th, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom
- Wednesday February 25th, 2pm, Stayer
- Wednesday March 25th, 2pm Stayer
- Wednesday April 8th, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom
- Wednesday April 22nd, 2pm, Curriculum, zoom
- Wednesday April 29th, 2pm, Stayer