FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 9, 2021**

# Council Room, 412 Student Union

**AGENDA:**

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of the October 12, 2021 Minutes

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Special Reports:

A. Dean Kluver – OSU’s partnership with CCEOK for the Stillwater Afghan Families

project.

B. Ms. Rita Peaster – Registrar – Spring 2022 Class Schedule Update

5. President Shrum – Remarks and Comments

6. Report of Status of Faculty Council Recommendations:

President Shrum, Interim Provost Mendez and/or Vice Presidents

7. Reports of Liaison Representatives –

1. Wellness Center – Kim Beard



1. GPSGA – Megan Ruby

**Important Deadlines:** The Fall Travel Award, Co-sponsorship Fund, and the Research Materials Grant applications have been turned in and the number of applications that the Finance Committee and Treasure are reviewing is as follows: 36 travel award applications, 6 co-sponsorship applications, and 9 research materials grant applications.

**General Assembly Meeting Information**

The fourth General Assembly Meeting of Fall 2021 will be held at 5:30 PM CDT in an online format (Zoom) and in AGH Room 101. The link to participate in the meeting remotely is always provided in the Monday Memo and sent out via email the day before the meeting.

**November Meeting Focus: Food Insecurity and Resources**

Due to the upcoming university breaks, we would like to highlight the resources that OSU provides in fighting food insecurity for students, faculty, and staff.

OSU Night at Our Daily Bread: November 18th and December 16th, 5- 6:30 pm at Our Daily Bread Food and Resource Center 701 E 12th Ave, Stillwater, OK 74074. Open to OSU students, faculty, and staff. Must bring your OSU ID. For more information, please contact [campuslife@okstate.edu](mailto:campuslife@okstate.edu) | 405-744-5488.

For Tulsa resources please contact [aaron.t.christensen@okstate.edu](mailto:aaron.t.christensen@okstate.edu).

1. SGA – Georgia Eastham

The SGA Food Insecurity Committee is collaborating with UCO,OBU, and OU for No Hunger November, to be held November 15-19th. Our encouraged donations are listed below. We will keep track of which school is winning daily on SGA's social media. There will also be a venmo portion of the drive. The school that gets the most donations in proportion to their undergrad student population will get to determine the charity the monetary donations go towards. We are excited for this week and to see the competitive spirit of OSU come together to create holiday meal baskets to go back to students.

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| Instant mashed potatoes | Boxed mac n cheese | Boxed/instant stuffing – regular & gluten-free |
| Cake/brownie mix – regular and gluten-free | Can of frosting | Canned cranberry sauce |
| Canned green beans | Canned whipped cream | Canned yams |
| Cherry or apple pie filling | Cornbread mix | Foil baking pans |
| Pie crust – regular & gluten-free | Instant coffee | Paper towels |
| Pudding mix | Sugar |  |

1. Emeriti Association – Barbara Miller

The Emeriti Board held a short meeting via zoom on November first.  Our October dinner was a success and well attended so we will continue with the monthly dinners. The November dinner will be Monday November 8 at 6, with pre-dinner meet and greet at 5:30. The speaker will be Chad Weiberg, Director of OSU Athletics.  The Board is still looking for next year’s slate of officers and is beginning to fill Committee positions for the coming year. As yet many of our interest groups have not yet met due to Covid.

1. Woman’s Faculty Council – Aditi Grover

**Announcements:**

* We received several nominations for the 2021 Women's Faculty Council Outstanding Achievement and Mentorship of Women Faculty Awards. We want to thank co-chairs Kay Bjornen and Megan Macken, and the WFC Faculty Awards Committee, Tonya Hammer, Marianna Patrauchan, and LaRicka Wingate for their tireless work!
* We are currently fundraising for our 2022 Student Research Awards.
* WFC has published to our website [a revised version](https://womensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu/site-files/images/bestpracticescovid19_2021.pdf) of our “Best Practices for Supervisors Supporting OSU Faculty, Staff, and Student Caregivers During COVID-19”.
* We are continuing to work on exciting speakers through the next semester.

**Past Meeting:**

Our November WFC meeting of the semester was held on Monday, November 8th, 2021 from 2-3 PM via [Zoom](https://educationokstate.zoom.us/j/98485747016). Meeting ID: 984 8574 7016

“Understanding CDC’s vaccine communication during the COVID-19 pandemic and its effectiveness in promoting positive attitudes towards COVID-19 vaccine”

Dr. Juwon Hwang, Assistant Professor of Media and Strategic Communications shared findings from her study of the CDC's information sharing and public perceptions, with implications for how communications can be more successful in promoting positive attitudes toward the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**Fall 2021 Monthly Meetings**

Our WFC all-membership meeting will be on the second Monday of every month from 2-3 PM via Zoom.

We are holding a WFC Social at The State Room (on the outdoor patio with heaters) on Monday, December 6th from 4-6pm. We hope you’ll join us for some much-needed end-of-semester celebrating and socializing!

Anyone interested in the WFC can visit our website at [http://womensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Furl%3Fq%3Dhttps%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Furl%3Fq%253Dhttp%3A%2F%2Fwomensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu%2526amp%3Bsa%253DD%2526amp%3Bsource%253Deditors%2526amp%3Bust%253D1628813758358000%2526amp%3Busg%253DAOvVaw2qprLSPr4hvMFx1e3NkD_r%26sa%3DD%26source%3Deditors%26ust%3D1628813758367661%26usg%3DAOvVaw3JRdo5Rt3fHMuGPtqlHKXZ&data=04%7C01%7Caditi.grover%40okstate.edu%7C706189d28b1e4a324efc08d974e18c64%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C637669334331320294%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Xgnm3%2FhMrx%2Bs1eIbSZDgWaku7eXjp4%2FYos0z6Hvv7EM%3D&reserved=0) and email [wfc@okstate.edu](mailto:wfc@okstate.edu) to sign up to be put on our email list.

1. Graduate College – Rebecca Sheehan

***Virtual Recruiting Event.*** Dr. Smith reported that approximately 575 people registered for the event, most being International individuals. In the General session and breakout sessions, approximately 150 people participated.

***Candidacy Forms in Round-Up.*** Dr. Van Delinder explained that the Graduate College is actively working on issues regarding candidacy forms in Round-Up.

***ITA Presentation.*** Dr. Nathan Horton made a presentation on changes and updates to the ITA Program. Along with providing the ITA exam assessing language skills, the program is becoming more robust, offering workshops, graduate oral proficiency and language in the American classroom courses, individual support as well as working with the Directors of Student Academic Success to support students of multilingual instructors in improving students’ intercultural communication skills and their ability to succeed in courses with multilingual instructors.

***Three Minute Thesis Finals.*** Zoom Watch Party, Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 3 p.m.

***Fall 2021 Graduate Commencement Ceremony.*** Dean Tucker confirmed that the Graduate ceremony will take place at Gallagher-Iba Arena.

***General Graduate Faculty Meeting.*** The Fall 2021 General Graduate Faculty Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 27th at 2 p.m. via Zoom. Subject Group meetings occurred after this meeting. The Graduate College presented and facilitated discussion concerning: Customized Degrees: MS Interdisciplinary Studies Degree; Thirty-credit Hours Master's Degrees; (Potentially) Withdrawing as a Signatory from Council of Graduate Schools April 15 Resolution; and Removing Aged Coursework Grades from GPA calculations.

***APC Items***. The following were approved by Council:

Program requirement changes:

1. Ph.D. Curriculum Studies – changes in required courses

2. Ph.D. Agricultural Education Communications and Leadership – changes in admissions and courses

3. M.A.T. – Master of Athletic Training – change in required courses

4. Mechanical Engineering, PhD – course requirement changes

5. Mechanical Engineering, M.S. – course requirement changes

6. Engineering Technology, M.S. option in Fire Safety and Explosion Protection – course requirement changes

Remove GRE requirement for admission:

1. Ph.D. Education – option in Language Literacy and Culture

2. Ph.D. Counseling Psychology

3. M.S. Biomedical Sciences

4. M.S. Physician Assistant

5. Ph.D. Psychology

Option Deletions:

1. Educational Psychology, PhD – option in Counseling Psychology: A new PhD in Counseling Psychology degree program was approved for 201 8-2019. There are no remaining students in the Educational Psychology Ph D—Counseling Psychology option. All students wishing to pursue a Counseling Psychology PhD are only in the new program moving forward.

2. Master of Arts in Teaching, option deletion in Secondary English; option deletion in Secondary Social Studies

Option Suspensions (also require approval from Instruction Council):

1. Master of Arts in Teaching – temporary suspension of options in Art,

Secondary Education, Elementary Education, Mathematics

1. M.S. Nutrition – option in Dietetics
2. M.S. HDFS – option in Family and Community Services option. The MS in Family and Community Services is approved and in place
3. Staff Advisory Council – Tashia Cheves

* Once again this year Staff Advisory Council will be spearheading OSU’s collection of food for Harvest II. Please see the attached flyer for more information. If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Chitwood [michelle.lea.chitwood@okstate.edu](mailto:michelle.lea.chitwood@okstate.edu) or 744-6539.
* Please save the date for the Staff Distinguished Service Award ceremony. It will be Monday, December 6 from 1:30-3:00 in the Student Union Starlight Terrace.

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8. Reports of Standing Committees:

a. Academic Standards and Policies: Brandt Gardner – Update

Recommendation: Proposed Changes to UAR 4.7 Graduate Credit Hours for

Undergraduates and Graduate College Policy 6.10 Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Courses\*

b. Athletics: Cindy Melancon – No Report

c. Budget: Tyrrell Conway – No Report

d. Campus Facilities, Safety, and Security: Tieming Liu – No Report

e. Diversity: Divya Jaroni – No Report

f. Faculty: Matt Lovern – No Report

g. Long-Range Planning and Information Technology: Kris Hiney/Gopan Krishnan – No Report

h. Research: Bruce Dunn – No Report

i. Retirement & Fringe Benefits: Sarah Hall – No Report

j. Rules and Procedures: Karen Neurohr – No Report

k. Student Affairs and Learning Resources: Toby Nelson – No Report

9. Unfinished Business –

10. New Business –

11. Adjournment -

**Amended by Passed Failed**

**Recommendation No.** 21-11-01-ASP 1.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Moved by:**  Academic Standards & Policies   2.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Seconded by:**  3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Passed**         **Tabled**         **Failed**  4.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** **Proposed Changes to UAR 4.7 Graduate Credit Hours for Undergraduates**

**and Graduate College Policy 6.10 Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Courses**

**The Faculty Council Recommends to President Shrum that:**

Modify University Academic Regulation 4.7 and Graduate College Policy 6.10 to reduce the total limit of graduate credit that an undergraduate student can earn via the *Graduate Credit for Graduating Seniors* form. The current limit is 15 hours, and the proposed limit is 9 hours. This limit is not intended to apply to undergraduates admitted to an approved OSU accelerated master’s degree program.

**Rationale:**

The Graduate College has seen scenarios where undergraduates with 15 hours of graduate credit (half of a master’s degree) were not being accepted into a graduate degree program. The 9 hour limit protects undergraduates from amassing too much graduate credit before admission as a graduate student, and is in line with the 9 hour limit for non-degree seeking graduate students.

OSU’s accelerated master’s degree program allows undergraduate students to be dually admitted to a graduate program and share some of their course hours between the two degrees. Students who were not otherwise admissible to an accelerated master’s program were using this as a work around.

There is currently a 9 hour limit for non-degree seeking graduate students which is why we thought it was important to align the two policies.

**Proposed Changes to UAR 4.7 Graduate Credit Hours for Undergraduates**

**and Graduate College Policy 6.10 Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Courses**

Prepared by the Graduate College in collaboration with the Office of the Registrar, June 4, 2021

**Summary/Purpose of Proposed Changes**

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**Background and Rationale**

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**Proposed Policy Updates with Track Changes:**

*University Academic Regulation 4.7 Graduate Credit Hours for Undergraduates*

An OSU undergraduate senior may take a limited number of courses for graduate credit toward an OSU degree program. Undergraduates admitted to an approved OSU accelerated master’s degree program may utilize some of these credits for both a baccalaureate degree and graduate degree as outlined in section 11.15 of the Graduate College section of the University Catalog. All other undergraduates are subject to the graduate credit rules below.

The credits may not be utilized for both a baccalaureate degree and a graduate degree. The courses in question must be approved for graduate credit (as listed in the Course Catalog). The applicability of such graduate courses to a specific graduate program will be determined by the student's graduate advisory committee when the student enrolls in the Graduate College and submits a plan of study for an advanced degree.

To receive credit, a Graduate Credit for Seniors form must be completed by the student to receive graduate credit for courses taken. This form must be submitted to the Graduate College prior to the end of the second week of class instruction of a regular semester, or the first week of a regular summer session. The required form is available on the Graduate College's website or in the Graduate College.

Such credit may be earned only if the following conditions are satisfied at the time of application:

1. Students must have a minimum overall (cumulative graduation/retention) undergraduate GPA of 3.00.
2. The total enrollment must not exceed 18 credit hours for a regular semester or nine credit hours for a summer session.
3. The student must be within 12 semester credit hours of completing requirements for the baccalaureate degree at the beginning of the semester or summer session in which courses are taken for graduate credit.
4. Admission to courses taken for graduate credit must have approval of the course instructor, the director of the undergraduate student services office associated with the student's major, and the dean of the Graduate College.

Not more than 9 semester credit hours taken while a senior may be approved for graduate credit. The student must earn a grade of "B" or higher in those courses for which he or she seeks graduate credit. Credit will be applied to the student's graduate transcript only after the student has been admitted as a graduate student at OSU. Students are cautioned that institutions other than OSU may or may not allow courses taken for graduate credit during the senior year to be transferred into one of their graduate programs

*Graduate College Policy 6.10 Undergraduate Student Enrollment in Graduate Courses*

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To receive graduate credit for hours taken when not admitted to an approved OSU accelerated master's degree program, a Graduate Credit for Seniors form must be completed by the student to receive graduate credit for courses taken. This form must be submitted prior to the end of the second week of class instruction of a regular semester, or the first week of a regular summer session. The required form is available on the Graduate College’s website or in the Graduate College.

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**Discussion/Approval Record**

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| Committee/Council | Date Approved |
| Graduate Council | May 21, 2021 |
| Directors of Student Academic Services | July 21, 2021 |
| Instruction Council | August 5, 2021 |
| Faculty Council Academic Standards & Policies Committee |  |
| Faculty Council |  |
| Council of Deans and Provost |  |