GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES
April 15, 2013

The Graduate Council met at 11:30am in 129 Himes with the following members present: Byerly (ex officio), Chance, Day, Dow, Eades, Matthews, Nardo, Reeve (ex officio), Rose, and Zucker. Absent member were Culross, Euba, Kelso, Lemieux, McKillop, Meng, and Spivey.

Minutes of March 19, 2013

Minutes were approved for the March 19, 2013 meeting pending a few minor revisions. Matthews moved for approval, Nardo seconded, and the motion was carried.

Dean’s Report

SACS Update: The new catalog will include references for SACS.

PhD Minimum LSU Coursework: The current guidelines indicate that three years beyond the master’s degree is required for a doctoral degree. Three years is equivalent to 54 hours. One-third of the courses should be from LSU. Nardo motioned with the SACS standard that one-third of hours for the PhD must be earned at LSU. Day seconded and the motion was carried.

Enrollment Management: Admits should increase by 8%. Currently there is no way to track acceptance; however, Byerly will address this issue.

Academic Affairs Report

Reeve reported that the 3+2 BSIE/MBA degree is under review in Academic Affairs. The proposal will need to go to the Systems Office and Board of Regents. SACS will need to be notified.

The 3+2 programs require the student to be dually enrolled. Students in accelerated master’s programs do not have to apply to the Graduate School. The student is not classified as a graduate student.

Chairs Report

No report.

Routine Business

No reports.

Old Business

Computer Science Changes: Byerly will discuss with the department clarity of the proposal. A list of required courses is needed, a timeline would be helpful, and the remainder of the proposal should be advisory. The proposal should be a template for degree requirements.
New Business

Certificate in Fisheries Science and Assessment: an email ballot will be sent to the Graduate Council for a vote.

Plus/Minus Grading: Byerly will send something to the Graduate Council to review. The start date is fall 2014.

Executive Session

Standing Committee Reports

Promotion and Tenure Committee: No report.

Graduate Faculty: No report.

Awards Committee: No report.

The meeting adjourned.

Recorded by: Marie Hamilton, Assistant Dean

Approved by: Gary Byerly, Dean Graduate School