

# Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: October 12, 2001

Whetten Graduate Center - Giolas Conference Room  
2:00 P.M.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M. Interim Vice Provost Ian Hart presided.
2. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the 9-18-2001 meeting.
3. It was moved, seconded, and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the list of Plans of Study and Dissertation Proposals.
4. A request received recently from the Master of Public Affairs program was introduced for consideration and discussion. The request is to change the name of the degree title from Master of Public Affairs to Master of Public Administration and to change the name of the Field of Study from Public Affairs to Public Administration. There was discussion.

It was moved (J. Marsden), seconded (P. Faghri), and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve the change in name of both the degree title and the Field of Study as requested.

5. A draft proposal from the College of Continuing Studies (CCS) to implement a Graduate Certificate program in Humanitarian Studies as well as a draft proposal for a new graduate-level course to be titled International Human Rights were considered and discussed. Following extensive discussion, it was agreed that J. Henkel would confer with the appropriate CCS representatives concerning recommended modifications to the proposals that had emerged from the discussion. It was agreed that revised proposals would be considered at a future meeting.

It was moved and seconded that both the draft certificate and the draft course proposals be tabled. The motion passed without dissent on a voice vote.

6. There was discussion about the recent call from the President's Office to nominate individuals for honorary degree consideration. While the deadline for the current year already has passed, the group decided to discuss the matter again at its April 2002 meeting with respect to the 2003 round of nominations.
7. It was agreed that a meeting of the Graduate Faculty Council will be called for October 31, 2001. I. Hart and Chancellor and Provost for University Affairs John D. Petersen will speak and respond to questions.
8. J. Henkel distributed copies of the student information and instruction sheets for Spring 2002 graduate registration. This will be the second semester that graduate students will use the new PeopleSoft system for course registration. There was discussion about the

Fall 2001 experience and some of the changes that have been made to improve the process for Spring 2002.

9. J. Henkel distributed copies of a proposal from the Division of International Studies for a new graduate course: INTS 301-- Seminar in International Studies [the INTS (International Studies) course designation does not currently exist]. The proposal will be considered at the next meeting.
10. G. Anderson noted that there no longer is a member of the GFC Executive Committee who serves also on the Senate Executive Committee. It was agreed for now that the two groups will exchange minutes on a regular basis rather than having a liaison.
11. Adjournment was at 4:00 PM.

**Present:**

- Anderson, G.
- Faghri, P.
- Hart, I. (Interim ViceProvost)
- Henkel, J. (Associate Vice Provost)
- Maresh, C.
- Marsden, J.
- Pagoulatos, E.
- Peters, T. (Assistant Dean)
- Strausbaugh, L.

**Regrets:**

- Herzberger, D.
- Maxwell, G.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Peters  
Secretary