

Graduate Committee Meeting

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Meeting Time 10:00 am – 12:00 pm



Graduate Committee Meeting March 22nd, 2023

- 1) Chairs Call to Order – 10:03 AM
- 2) Roll Call

Members:	College:	Present/Absent
Wanrong Hou	Business and Entrepreneurship	Present
Dumitru Caruntu	Engineering and Computer Science	Present
Michelle Abrego	Education and P-16 Integration	Present
Katrina Roush	Fine Arts	Present
Lisa Salinas	Health Professions	Present
Rebecca Hernandez	School of Nursing	Present
Kimberly Selber	Liberal Arts, Chair	Absent
Wei Lin	College of Science	Present
Candace Robledo	School of Medicine	Late – 10:20
Denise Longoria	School of Social Work	Absent
VACANT	University Library	
Can (John) Saygin	Graduate College, Ex Officio	Absent
Laura Saenz	Curriculum & Institutional Assessment Office, Ex Officio	Present

- 3) Old Business: Review of Minutes from February 16th, 2023, meeting (Please respond via Teams regarding any revisions needed to the minutes. If no revisions are requested, then the minutes will be accepted through consent.)

- 4) New Business: Review of Submissions

a. College of Business and Entrepreneurship

i. Department of Information Systems

1. Delete Course, New Course, Change Course, Change Program, Delete Program – Geng Sun & Jerald Hughes

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
INFS 8308 Theories in Cognitive and Behavioral Information Systems Research	Delete Course	This course is being removed due to the content being merged into a new course, INFS 8320.	Fall 2024

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INFS 8318 Theories in Managerial and Organizational Information Systems Research	Delete Course	This course is being removed due to the content being merged into a new course, INFS 8320.	Fall 2024
INFS 8320 Theories in Information Systems Research	New Course	This new course will cover content in INFS 8308 and INFS 8318. This course will be required in the Concentration in Information Systems in the Ph.D. in Business Administration.	Fall 2024
QUMT 8315 Applied Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence	Change Course	Proposal to change the long course title, short course title, and course description.	Fall 2024
Business Administration with a Concentration in Information Systems (Ph.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to remove INFS 8308 and INFS 8318 from the required courses and to replace them with INFS 8320 and INFS 8388. INFS 8388 is being removed from the Research Methods Courses and will be replaced by QUMT 8315. QUMT 8315 will be removed from the Electives section. An MDA will be submitted to allow either INFS 8308 or INFS 8318 for INFS 8320.	Fall 2024
User Experience and User Interface Design Certificate - Accelerated Online Program	Delete Program	Proposal to remove this program from the inventory.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Lisa Salinas

Motion: Passes

Notes: PhD – Are there still the same number of total hours? Yes. Certificate – Will the courses remain as electives for other programs? The courses will be kept for now but aren't on another degree.

b. College of Health Professions

i. School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling

1. Delete Course, New Course, Delete Program, New Program – **Saara Grizzell**

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REHS 7320 Introduction to Bilingual Counseling	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the course inventory. The course is on the Bilingual Counseling Certificate. The certificate is being revised to include all new courses and reduced to 9 hours.	Fall 2024
REHS 7330 Cultural Aspects in Bilingual Counseling	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the course inventory. The course is on the Bilingual Counseling Certificate. The certificate is being revised to include all new courses and reduced to 9 hours.	Fall 2024
REHS 7340 Bilingual Assessment and Testing	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the course inventory. The course is on the Bilingual Counseling Certificate. The certificate is being revised to include all new courses and reduced to 9 hours.	Fall 2024
REHS 7350 Theories and Techniques for Bilingual Counseling	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. This is on the Bilingual Counseling Certificate. The certificate is being reduced to 9 hours; thus, this course is no longer needed.	Fall 2024
REHS 7360 Counseling App. & Experience in Bilingual Settings	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. This is on the Bilingual Counseling Certificate. The certificate is being reduced to 9 hours; thus, this course is no longer needed.	Fall 2024
REHS 7325 Introduction to Bilingual Counseling and the Hispanic Culture	New Course	This is a new course for the Bilingual Counseling Certificate – Online Program.	Fall 2024
REHS 7335 Assessment and Testing for Spanish-Speaking Clients	New Course	This is a new course for the Bilingual Counseling Certificate – Online Program.	Fall 2024
REHS 7345 Clinical Applications of Theories and Techniques in Bilingual Counseling	New Course	This is a new course for the Bilingual Counseling Certificate – Online Program.	Fall 2024
Bilingual Counseling Certificate - Online Program	Change Program	Proposal for the program to be reduced from 15 hours to 9 hours. The reduction includes removing REHS 7320, REHS 6330, REHS 7340, REHS 7350, REHS 7360. Course work will be combined into three new courses REHS 7325, REHS 7335, and REHS	Fall 2024

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		7355. An MDA will be submitted for current students so they are able to be moved into AY 24 – 25 catalog. This will not need external approval, but internal notification to the impacted departments will be sent.	
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Motion to approve change: Candace Robledo

Second: Katrina Roush

Motion: Passes

Notes: Why are these changes being applied to the program? Student feedback made the department aware that a lot of content was redundant and the courses aren't a part of any degree plan, so students have to pay for the courses out of pocket. Are the students mostly current students or practitioners? The certificate has both. Is there a possibility for the courses to be substituted? Current admission requirements aren't clear on who can apply to the program. They currently list that only current students can apply, not those who already have a masters. The department will work on the admission requirements to clear that up. Candace Robledo joined the meeting at 10:20 am.

ii. Department of Health and Human Performance

1. Delete Course, New Course, Change Program – Murat Karabulut

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
KINE 5303 Advanced Exercise Physiology	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. This is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
KINE 5330 Cultural and Social Aspects of Health	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. This is an elective in the Exercise Science (MS).	Fall 2024
KINE 5335 Supervision and Administration in Health and Human Performance	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. This is an elective in the Exercise Science (MS).	Fall 2024
KINE 6305 Statistics in Exercise Science	New Course	Proposal to add this course to replace EDCI 6367 in the required course section of the Exercise Science (MS).	Fall 2024
Exercise Science (MS)	Change Program	Proposal to remove untaught courses: EDCI 6367, KINE 5330, and KINE 5335. KINE 6305 will be replacing EDCI 6367 in the required course section. An MDA will be submitted to allow for KINE 6305 to substitute EDCI 6367.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Lisa Salinas

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Motion: Passes

Notes: What are the number of students in the Exercise Science (MS)? About 20 students. Is the faculty member who will be teaching the stat course in your department? Yes, the faculty member is in the department. The department has two faculty members that are qualified to teach this course. So, the faculty member isn't a statistician, but has the professional background? Yes. Is this a face to face program? Yes. Is there a plan to make it an online program? No, the program will remain face to face due to the thesis and other requirements in the program.

c. College of Liberal Arts

i. Department of Philosophy

1. Delete Course, New Course, Change Course, Change Program – Gregory Gilson

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
BIET 6307 Philosophical and Theoretical Thought in Bioethics	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the inventory and the Bioethics (MS) program.	Fall 2024
BIET 6331 Ethnicity, Culture, Race and Health Equity	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the inventory and the Bioethics (MS) program.	Fall 2024
BIET 6315 Philosophy of Medicine	New Course	Proposal to add new course to the electives section of the Bioethics (MS) program.	Fall 2024
BIET 6316 Environmental Philosophy	New Course	Proposal to add new course to the electives section of the Bioethics (MS) program.	Fall 2024
BIET 6300 Theories of Bioethics and Health Care	Change Course	Proposal to change the long course title, short course title, and course description. An MDA will be submitted for students in previous catalogs to use BIET 6307, if they have not yet completed BIET 6300.	Fall 2024
BIET 6314 Ethics in Biomedical Research	Change Course	Proposal to change the course description.	Fall 2024
BIET 6318 Methods of Inquiry in Bioethics	Change Course	Proposal to change the course description.	Fall 2024
BIET 6340 Bioethics and the Border	Change Course	Proposal to change the long course title, short course title, and course description.	Fall 2024

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BIET 6345 Health Law and Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the long course title, short course title, and course description.	Fall 2024
BIET 6350 Directed Study in Bioethics	Change Course	Proposal to change the prerequisite narrative from BIET 6300 to Consent of Instructor.	Fall 2024
BIET 6352 Narrative Bioethics	Change Course	Proposal to change the course description.	Fall 2024
BIET 7300 Capstone Master's Project	Change Course	Proposal to change the course description, schedule type, and grading basis.	Fall 2024
Bioethics (MS) - Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to update the program overview and to the program of study. In the required section, BIET 6307 is being replaced with BIET 6345. the Prescribed Electives and free elective hours are being combined. In this section, in the "Choose three from the following" ANTH 6351, BIET 6350, PAFF 6333, PHIL 6314, PHIL 6315, and SOCI 6326 are being added; BIET 6331 and BIET 6345 are being removed. In the "Choose two from the following" section, ACCT 6305, ANTH 6311, ANTH 6314, ANTH 6320, ANTH 6323, ANTH 6350, ANTH 6351, BIET 6340, BIET 6334, BIET 6350, BIET 6352, CIVE 6312, CIVE 6344, CIVE 6345, COMM 6327, COMM 6352, CRIJ 6316, CRIJ 6319, EEMS 6332, EEMS 6333, EEMS 6360, ENVR 5301, GWSP 6300, GWSP 6305, GWSP 6310, HIST 5380, MARK 6360, MASC 6325, MASC 6330, NURS 6307, PAFF 6310, POLS 6337, PHIL 6314, PHIL 6315, REHS 6305, SOCI 6326, SOCI 6335, SOCI 6361, SOCI 6362, SOCI 6363, and SOCW 6395 are being added. An MDA will be submitted for students in previous catalogs to use BIET 6307, if they have not yet completed BIET 6300.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Rebecca Hernandez

Second: Wai Lin

Motion: Passes

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Notes: What is the expected cohort for fall? There are about 5 people who are actively talking to the GPC, but there are 8 people who are interested through the college fair. Who are the types of students who come into this program? Most are from college of health professionals, current practitioners, Biomedical, and Biology. There are a couple of philosophy students as well. It's a healthy mix of students. Is this an online program? Yes, but the department has become aware that it's possible to offer some courses in person. The department may not offer those due to students being all over Texas.

ii. Department of History

1. New Course – **Jamie Starling**

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
HIST 5380 Medical History and Bioethics	New Course	Proposal to add new course for the Bioethics (MS) program.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Rebecca Hernandez

Second: Wanrong Hou

Motion: Passes

Notes:

iii. School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement

1. Change Course, Change Program – **Pamela Anderson-Mejias**

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
PAFF 6301 Graduate Seminar in Public Administration	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6302 Scope and Methods	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6303 Policy Implementation and Program Evaluation	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6304 Public Budgeting and Finance	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6305 Political Leadership: Decision-Making and	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the	Fall 2024

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Management in Public Organizations		School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	
PAFF 6306 Public Sector Human Resources	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6310 Public Service Ethics	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6311 Intergovernmental Relations	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6312 State and Local Government	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6314 Formulation of Public Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6315 Management of Governmental Information Systems	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6316 Management of Nonprofit Organizations	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6317 Grant Writing and Fund Development	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6318 Bureaucracy and Organizational Theory	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6319 Public Finance Administration	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the	Fall 2024

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PAFF 6330 Public Policy Analysis	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6331 Qualitative Methods in Public Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6332 Environmental Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6333 Seminar in Health Care Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6334 Current Issues in Public Policy/Global Security	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6336 Seminar in International and Development Policy	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6337 Public Policies in the Mexico-U.S. Border Region	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6344 Federal Policymaking (Archer Program)	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There are updates to the course description.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6350 Introduction to Urban Planning	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024

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PAFF 6362 Public Administration Capstone	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6363 Internship	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There is a change in the prerequisite to remove "or Department."	Fall 2024
PAFF 6364 Masters of Public Affairs Capstone	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There is a change in the prerequisite to remove "or Department."	Fall 2024
PAFF 6374 Directed Research	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There is an update to the course description and schedule type. The prerequisite narrative is being changed from "Approval of the Graduate Advisor or Department" to "Approval of Graduate Advisor."	Fall 2024
PAFF 6375 Special Topics	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6380 Global Security	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6381 Homeland Security in the U.S.	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
PAFF 6645 Archer Program Internship	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There are updates to the course description.	Fall 2024

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PAFF 7300 Thesis I	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There is a change in the prerequisite to remove "or Department."	Fall 2024
PAFF 7301 Thesis II	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There is a change in the prerequisite to remove "or the PASS Department Chair."	Fall 2024
PAFF 7307 Practicum in Global Security Studies and Leadership	Change Course	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement. There are updates to the course description, repeat code, max hours, and a change in the prerequisite to remove "MPA Director" and add "Graduate Program Coordinator."	Fall 2024
PAFF 6393 Special Topics in Global Security Studies and Leadership	Delete Course	Proposal to remove course. The program has PAFF 6375 they will be using.	Fall 2024
Public Affairs with a Concentration in Public Administration (MPA)	Change Program	Proposal to add PAFF 6331 and PAFF 6337 to the electives section. These courses were supposed to be added to this section when it was submitted in April 2023, but was omitted. The department for the program is changing from Public Affairs and Security Studies to School Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
Public Affairs with a Concentration in Global Security Studies and Leadership (MPA)	Change Program	Proposal to add PAFF 6331 to the electives section. These courses were supposed to be added to this section when it was submitted in April 2023, but was omitted. The department for the program is changing from Public Affairs and Security Studies to School Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024

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Public Affairs with a Concentration in Public Policy (MPA)	Change Program	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024
Public Affairs with a Concentration in Public Administration (MPA) - Accelerated Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to change the department from Public Affairs and Security Studies to the School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Rebecca Hernandez

Motion: Passes

Notes: What is happening to the faculty? They are being moved to the school as well. The department worked on getting other faculty, but they had difficulty. Moving to this program to the school will help support these courses. At the beginning it was mentioned that there is a reduction in faculty for the program. What happened to those faculty? There were some family issues that pulled faculty out of the department. The program also has community experts who teach courses as well. What is the impact to current students? There is no impact. The courses are still being offered and on an active rotation.

iv. Department of Writing and Language Studies

1. Change Program – Gabriel Gonzalez Nunez

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
Spanish Translation and Interpreting (MA) - Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to update the NON-THESIS degree plan. The required course section is being increased from 15 hours to 18 hours, with the addition of TRSP 6347. The Prescribed Electives is being reduced from 12 hours to 9 hours; and TRSP 6347 is being removed as an option. There are no changes to the thesis option.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Lisa Salinas

Second: Katrina Roush

Motion: Passes

Notes:

d. School of Nursing

1. Change Program – Rebecca Hernandez

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NURS 6208 Nursing Informatics	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
NURS 7300 Thesis I Proposal	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is on the Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN) program.	Fall 2024
NURS 7301 Thesis II	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is on the Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN) program.	Fall 2024
Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN)	Change Program	Proposal to remove the Graduate Outcomes from the program overview. There is a removal of point 2. "All new applicants whose coursework is older than 3 years must score of 900 on the APRN HESI Specialty Assessment Exams: Assessment, Pathophysiology, Pharmacotherapeutics." The thesis option and the two thesis courses are being removed as NURS 7300 and NURS 7301 have been untaught for 7+ years.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Lisa Salinas

Motion: Passes

Notes: Is the program doing away with the thesis option? The program isn't able to do a thesis and has never taught it since students are in professional clinical settings.

e. School of Social Work

1. Change Program – Jo Redcliffe

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
SOCW 6391 Community Based Participatory Research	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is on all concentration and modalities in Social Work (MSSW).	Fall 2024

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Social Work with a Specialization in Direct Practice with Latino Individuals, Families and Groups (MSSW) - 33 Hour Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Social Work with a Specialization in Direct Practice with Latino Individuals, Families and Groups (MSSW) - 63 Hour Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Social Work with a Specialization in Direct Practice with Latino Individuals, Families and Groups (MSSW) - 33 Hour Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Social Work with a Specialization in Direct Practice with Latino Individuals, Families and Groups (MSSW) - 63 Hour Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Social Work with a Specialization in Administration and Community Practice (MSSW) - 33 Hour Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Social Work with a Specialization in Administration and Community Practice (MSSW) - 63 Hour Online Program	Change Program	Proposal to remove SOCW 6391 as it is an untaught course.	Fall 2024
Primary Care Behavioral Health Certificate (Social Work)	Change Program	Proposal to change the two required elective courses to replace SOCW 6370 and SOCW 6371 with SOCW 6376 and SOCW 6377.	Fall 2024

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Motion to approve change: Candace Robledo

Second: Wei Lin

Motion: Passes

Notes:

f. College of Science

i. School of Mathematical and Statistical Science - Masters

1. Change Program – Alexey Garber

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
Applied Statistics and Data Science (MS)	Change Program	Proposal to change two required courses. The two courses that are being removed from the required courses are CYBI 6303 and CYBI 6305, and CYBI 6306 and CYBI 6304 are being added. An MDA will be submitted to allow for the replacement courses.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Lisa Salinas

Motion: Passes

Notes: What are the course titles for the two courses that haven't been taught? These are two courses that are taught by the Informatics department, so they decided to change those two courses for the CYBI 6304 and CYBI 6306. How many students do you currently have in the program? About 20 students or more. Between both Math Masters programs have a total of 77 students.

ii. School of Mathematical and Statistical Science – Ph.D.

1. New Course, Delete Course, Change Course, Change Program – Alexey Garber

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
MATH 8698 Interdisciplinary Research	New Course	Proposal to add this new course to the Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024
MATH 9301 Dissertation	New Course	Proposal to add this new course to the Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.).	Summer 24
MATH 9601 Dissertation	New Course	Proposal to add this new course to the Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024

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MATH 9101 Graduate Research Seminar	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the inventory and the Dissertation/Seminar/Interdisciplinary Courses section of the Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024
MATH 9902 Dissertation II	Delete Course	Proposal to remove this course from the inventory and the Dissertation/Seminar/Interdisciplinary Courses section of the Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024
MATH 8398 Interdisciplinary Research	Change Course	Proposal to update the course description, repeat code from NR - Non-repeatable to RP - Repeatable, and adding 6 max hours.	Fall 2024
MATH 9901 Dissertation	Change Course	Proposal to change the long course title, short course title, and course description. There is an update in the Maximum Number of hours allowed from 18 hours to 27 hours. There is an update to the prerequisite narrative from "MATH 8398 Interdisciplinary Research and consent of the instructor." to "6 credit hours in MATH 8398 or MATH 8698 Interdisciplinary Research, successful completion of the candidacy exam, and consent of the instructor."	Fall 2024
Mathematics and Statistics with Interdisciplinary Applications (Ph.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to update the degree plan. Updates include removing MATH 9101 and MATH 9902 from the Dissertation section of the degree plan. The dissertation section of the degree plan is being re-arranged to have 6 hours of research with the courses MATH 8398 and MATH 8698, and 30 hours of Dissertation with MATH 9301, MATH 9601, and MATH 9901.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Lisa Salinas

Second: Rebecca Hernandez

Motion: Passes

Notes: How many students are in the PhD program? The program is in its 3rd year, and we have about 30 students.

iii. Department of Physics and Astronomy

1. Change Program – Efrain Ferrer

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
PHYS 5392 Gravitational Wave Astronomy	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is on the Physics (MS).	Fall 2024
PHYS 5398 Introduction to Computational Nano- optics and Nano- technology	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 6+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PHYS 6302 Environmental Physics for Teachers	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PHYS 6303 Quantum Information	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PHYS 6310 Electromagnetics	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 6+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PHYS 6351 Mathematical Physics II	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course on the Physics (MS) and Physics (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024
PHYS 6355 Computational Physics II	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 6+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PHYS 6362 Quantum Optics	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course on the Physics (MS) and Physics (Ph.D.).	Fall 2024
PHYS 6379 Scientific Programming	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 6+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024

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PHYS 6400 Astronomy by Sight	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
PSCI 5340 Physical Science for High School Teachers II	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB rules this course is being removed. This course on the Physics (MS).	Fall 2024
Physics (MS)	Change Program	Proposal to remove PHYS 5392, PHYS 6351, PHYS 6362, and PSCI 5340 as they are untaught courses.	Fall 2024
Physics (Ph.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to update the degree plan. Updates include reducing required course hours from 27 to 18; thus, moving PHYS 6330, PHYS 8312, and PHYS 8320 from the required course section into the prescribed elective section. The electives section is being increased from 6 hours to 15 hours. As approved in the December meeting, the electives have been combined into one section. All other changes approved in the December meeting have been applied in this form.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Katrina Roush

Second: Rebecca Hernandez

Motion: Passes

Notes: Are students getting credit or formal training for the RAs? They get credit for it. Why hasn't PHYS 6351 been taught? There isn't much student interest. The department can't offer PHYS 6362 due to issues with equipment that the department currently doesn't have. How many students do you have in the PhD? 30 students. How many years has the program been in place? 3-years. It was mentioned that 50% of the program is female, what percentage is local? They are mostly local. There are some international students who are having issues with visas, so there aren't as many international.

f. College of Education and P-16 Integration

i. Department of Teaching and Learning

1. Change Course, New Course, Delete Course, Change Program – **Javier Cavazos**

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EDCI 8339 Writing for Educational Inquiry	Change Course	Proposal to update the course description, repeat code, and max hours. This course is being added to the specialization courses in the Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization Curriculum and Pedagogical Generalist.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8334 Advanced Practical Inquiry in the Assessment Cycle	New Course	Proposal to add a new course to the Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.D.) program. This course will replace EDCI 8325 in the required course section for all specializations.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8341 Advance Science Teaching Methods	New Course	Proposal to add new course into the prescribed electives for all specializations.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8355 Latin American Narrative Inquiry	New Course	Proposal to add new course into the prescribed electives for all specializations.	Fall 2024
EDCI 6307 Research, Issues and Trends in Education	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 6336 Problems in Education (Topics)	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 6354 Development of Laboratory and Field Experiences	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 6358 Student Research in the K-12 Science Curriculum	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 6367 Statistical Methods	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is a required course for the Exercise Science (MS). Per the	Fall 2024

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		program they have been substituting the course with other options. The Exercise Science (MS) will be submitted for the March meeting.	
EDCI 7315 Special Topics in Science Education	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8324 Literacy Across the Curriculum	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 3+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8350 Selected Topics in Science Education	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDCI 8363 Teaching and Learning Mathematics with Diverse Learners.	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
EDFR 6301 Educational Research in Teaching	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is required on all specializations on the Bilingual Education (M.Ed). This course is an alternative to EDFR 6300; therefore, there is no impact to the program.	Fall 2024
EDFR 8306 Multivariate Analysis in Educational Research	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is in a long list of electives for all specializations in the Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.D.).	Fall 2024
EDFR 8309 Statistics in Education	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is in a long list of	Fall 2024

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		electives for all specializations in the Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.D.).	
HIED 8340 Higher Education Law	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is in the Educational Leadership with a Concentration in Higher Education Administration (Ed.D) in a long list of required course options. A change program form was previously submitted for the program; therefore, HIED 8340 will be removed in the catalog platform instead of submitting another change program form.	Fall 2024
HIED 8341 Student Affairs in Higher Education	Delete Course	This course has not been taught in 7+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is in the Educational Leadership with a Concentration in Higher Education Administration (Ed.D) in a long list of concentration course options. A change program form was previously submitted for the program; therefore, HIED 8341 will be removed in the catalog platform instead of submitting another change program form.	Fall 2024
HIED 8384 Current Issues in Higher Education	Delete Course	Untaught course. This course has not been taught in 4+ years. Per THECB untaught rules the course is being removed from the inventory. This course is not on a program of study.	Fall 2024
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Mathematics Education (Ed.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with the new course, EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. Additionally, the proposed new courses, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355 are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.	Fall 2024

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Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Science Education (Ed.D.)	Change Program	<p>Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. Additionally, the proposed new courses, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355, are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.</p>	Fall 2024
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Special Education (Ed.D.)	Change Program	<p>Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. Additionally, the two new proposed courses, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355, are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.</p>	Fall 2024
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Curriculum and Pedagogical Generalist (Ed.D.)	Change Program	<p>Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. In addition, two new proposed courses, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355 are being added to the elective section. In the Specialization section, EDCI 8339 is being added as a requirement and the current text of “Any combination of three 8000 level BILC, EDCI, ECED, EDTC, EDUL, RLIT, HIED, SPED, and EDFR” has been changed to “Any combination of two 8000 level BILC, EDCI, ECED, EDTC, EDUL, RLIT, HIED, SPED, and EDFR” to accommodate the three-hour change. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.</p>	Fall 2024
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in	Change Program	<p>Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI</p>	Fall 2024

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Bilingual Studies (Ed.D.)		8325 to the electives section. In addition, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355 are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.	
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Educational Technology (Ed.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to revise the program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. In addition, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355 are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.	Fall 2024
Curriculum and Instruction with a Specialization in Literacy (Ed.D.)	Change Program	Proposal to revise program of study by replacing EDCI 8325 with EDCI 8334 in the required course section and moving EDCI 8325 to the electives section. In addition, EDCI 8341 and EDCI 8355 are being added to the elective section. EDFR 8306 and EDFR 8309 are being removed, as they are untaught courses. An MDA will be submitted for previous catalogs to use new courses.	Fall 2024

Motion to approve change: Lisa Salinas

Second: Wanrong Hou

Motion: Passes

Notes:

g. Graduate Admissions

1. Change in Admission Requirements - Dara Newton & Griselda Castilla

Name	Type	Comment	Effective Year
Vaquero Pathway Program for Graduate Admission	Change in Admission	The program criteria for admission will be updated to have: 1. The student must be a currently enrolled UTRGV degree-seeking student.	Fall 2024

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		<p>2. The student must be enrolled in the last semester of undergraduate coursework for their degree.</p> <p>3. The student must have a cumulative institutional GPA of 3.30 and be in good academic standing.</p> <p>UTRGV's website can be found here: https://www.utrgv.edu/graduate-information/vaqueropathway/index.htm</p>	
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Motion to approve change: Candice Robledo

Second: Wei Lin

Motion: Passes

Notes: Why isn't the Biomedical Engineering (MS) not listed? The department did not mention this when working on the project, but there will be follow-up. The Biomedical Engineering program accepts students from various backgrounds, how would that work? The department will need to ID the backgrounds they will accept into the program. Will students be able to get multiple acceptance letters for the VPP for programs like Biomedical Engineering (MS)? There will be a process set up for that in the future. There is a chemistry student who meets the requirements for the VPP program but did not get a letter. What happened there? The Chemistry program wasn't enrolled in the VPP program. Now that the VPP is being revamped, it'll help to streamline the process. This process is going to greatly benefit students. Has the institution thought about shortening the timeline to earn both degrees? We do have a process to get a fast-track program approved. Another area to talk to students about is job outlook for these degrees. Another area that Strategic Enrollment is looking into is creating scholarships and aid that doesn't have to be paid back to further promote enrollment. Can a student who already graduated be nominated for the VPP program? No, the student needs to be enrolled. This is due to the state requirement in residency. They will still be able to apply, but they will have to complete the program admission requirements.

5. **Announcements or Other Informational Items**

- a. **Next meeting – April 19th**
- b. **Joint Committee – April 12th at 9 am**

6. **Adjournment**

Motion: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Lisa Salinas

12 pm