#### **Graduate Committee Meeting** Agenda AY 2022-2023 Meeting Time 10:00 am – 12:00 pm



#### Graduate Committee Meeting April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### 1) Chairs Call to Order

#### 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
George Amorin	Fine Arts	Present
Lisa Salinas	Health Professions	Present
Rebecca Hernandez	School of Nursing	Present
Kimberly Selber	Liberal Arts, Vice Chair	Present
Wei Lin	College of Science	Present
Candace Robledo	School of Medicine	Absent
Denise Longoria	School of Social Work	Present
Charles Rousch	University Library, Chair	Present
Can (John) Saygin	Graduate College, Ex Officio	Present
Laura Saenz	Curriculum & Institutional Assessment Office, Ex Officio	Present

- 3) Old Business: Review of Minutes from March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, meeting (Please respond via Teams receiver pay revisions needed to the minutes. If no revisions are requested, then the minutes will be repted a pugh consent.)
- 4) New Business: Review of Submissions
  - a) College of Science
    - i. Department of Physics and Astronomy

1) Delete Program, New Program – Edgar Corpuz

Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
<b>Interdisciplinary</b>		With the update approved in February to	
Studies with a		clarify what courses can be taken as required,	
Concentration in	Delete	OCIA has recommended to change the	
Science and	Program	concentration name to Physics. With this	AY 23 - 24

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<u>Technology</u>		name change, it requires a delete and new	
<u>(MSIS)</u>		program form.	
		Changes not approved in February: The	
		concentration name is change from Science	
		and Technology to Physics. Both Non-thesis	
		and Thesis tracks will have 18 hours of	
		required PHYS courses. For the Thesis Option,	
		electives is now at 6 hours.	
		Please see February's agenda to see the	
		approval of the degree program hour	
		reduction to 30 hours and course option	
		changes. The committee approved the	
Interdisciplinary		MAIS/MSIS institutional policy to expand how	
Studies with a		courses can be offered in the electives section	
Concentration in	New	of these programs. Hence why we are	
Physics (MSIS)	Program	updating this program.	AY 23 - 24

Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu Second: Michelle Abrego Motion Passes Notes

#### b) College of Liberal Arts

#### i. School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement i. Change Program – Stephanic Alvarez

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Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
		There is an update to the "Overview" in the	
		content at the top of the catalog page. The 18	
Interdisciplinary		required hours has been updated to include	
Studies with a		the MASC course options for students, with	
Concentration in		two courses being required – MASC 6300 and	
Mexican American	Change	MASC 6330. The Non-thesis and thesis option	
Studies (MAIS)	Program	electives have been updated to free electives.	AY 23 - 24
		There is an update to the "Overview" in the	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		content at the top of the catalog page. As	
		approved in February, EDUL 6345 has been	
		removed as it has been untaught for 4+ years.	
		Existing courses MASC 6300, MASC 6315,	
		MASC 6320, MASC 6325, MASC 6330, MASC	
Mexican American	Change	6335, MASC 6345, and MASC 6355 have been	
Studies Certificate	Program	added to include all courses in the prefix. The	AY 23 - 24

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notes for special topics have been updated to	
"students are advised to consult with an	
advisor prior to enrolling in any section of	
ENGL 6390, HIST 5350 and SOCW 6399" since	
the original notes are not enforceable in	
DegreeWorks.	

Motion to approve change: Kimberly Selber Second: Rebecca Hernandez Motion Passes Notes

### i. Department of Public Affairs and Security Studies

### 1) Delete Course, New Course, Change Course, Change Program - Cecilio

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Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
		The department is consolidating courses; thus	
<u>PAFF 6313 The</u>	Delete	they are removing this course. This course	
Politics of Scarcity	Course	has not been taught on a frequent basis.	AY 23 - 24
PAFF 6335		The department is consolidating courses; thus	
<b>Comparative</b>	Delete	they are removing this course. This course	
Public Policy	Course	has not been taught on a frequent basis.	AY 23 - 24
		The department is consolidating courses; thus	
		they are removing this course. This course	
		has been taught once a year, but due to the	
PAFF 6351		consolidation the department would like to	
Introduction to		remove the course. This course can be taught	
Community	Delete	under the new special topics course until they	
Development	Course	are ready to re-activate the course.	AY 23 - 24
PAFF 6360 Public		There is a consolidation of Internship courses	
Administration	Delete	to give the department more flexibility	
<u>Internship</u>	Course	between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
		There is a consolidation of Internship courses	
PAFF 6361 Public	Delete	to give the department more flexibility	
Policy Internship	Course	between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
PAFF 6370			
Directed Research		There is a consolidation of Directed Research	
<u>in Public</u>	Delete	courses to give the department more	
Administration	Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
PAFF 6371			
Independent		There is a consolidation of Independent Study	
Study in Public	Delete	courses to give the department more	
Administration	Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24

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Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	There is a consolidation of Independent Study	
Delete	courses to give the department more	
Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
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Delete	courses to give the department more	
Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	There is a consolidation of Internship courses	
Delete	to give the department more flexibility	
Course	between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	There is a consolidation of Independent Study	
Delete	courses to give the department more	
Course	flexibility between the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	This course hasn't been used to complete the	
	capstone requirement in the Public	
	Administration concentration, thus we are	
Delete	removing the course. This course has also not	
Course	been taught in the last 4 years.	AY 23 - 24
	This course hasn't been used to complete the	
	capstone requirement in the Public	
	Administration concentration, thus we are	
Delet <mark>e</mark>	removing the course. This course has also not	
Cours <mark>e</mark>	been taught in the last 4 years.	AY 23 - 24
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Delete	give the department more flexibility between	
Course	the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	There is a consolidation of Thesis courses to	
Delete	give the department more flexibility between	
Course	the three concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	There is a consolidation of Internship courses	
New	to give the department more flexibility	
Course	between the three concentrations. This	AY 23 - 24
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		course is being added to all three face-to-face	
		concentrations.	
		There is a consolidation of Capstone courses	
		to give the department more flexibility	
PAFF 6364		between the three concentrations. This	
Masters of Public	New	course is being added to all three face-to-face	
Affairs Capstone	Course	concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
Analis Capstone	Course	There is a consolidation of Directed Research	AT 23 - 24
		courses to give the department more	
		flexibility between the three concentrations.	
<u>PAFF 6374</u>	New	This course is being added to all three face-	
Directed Research	Course	to-face concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
		There is a consolidation of Special Topics	
		courses to give the department more	
		flexibility between the three concentrations.	-
PAFF 6375 Special	New	This course is being added to all three face-	
Topics	Course	to-face concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
	Course	This submission is to consolidate thesis	
		courses for this department. There is a	
		change in the long and short course title to	
		"Thesis I". there is a change in the course	
PAFF 7301 Thesis	Change	description. This course is being added to all	
<u>II</u>	Course	three face-to-face concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
		This submission is to consolidate thesis	
-		courses for this department. There is a	
		change in the long and short course title to	
		"Thesis II". there is a change in the course	
	Change	description. This course is being added to all	
PAFF 7300 Thesis I	Course	three face-to-face concentrations.	AY 23 - 24
		There is an update to the electives to add	AT 23 24
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		PAFF 6330, PAFF 6334, PAFF 6363, PAFF	
		6374, PAFF 6375, PAFF 6380, and PAFF 6381.	
		The following have been removed from the	
		elective section: PAFF 6312, PAFF 6313, PAFF	
		6319, PAFF 6351, PAFF 6370, PAFF 6371, and	
		PAFF 6372. The non-thesis option	
Public Affairs with		requirements have been updated to remove	
a Concentration in		PAFF 6360, PAFF 7302, PAFF 7303, PAFF	
Public		6360, and PAFF 6362. The new capstone	
Administration	Change	option for non-thesis is PAFF 6364 and any	
(MPA)	-	PAFF course.	AY 23 - 24
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		There is an update to the require courses to	
		remove PAFF 6301, PAFF 6304, and PAFF	
		6306, and add PAFF 6330, PAFF 6331, and	
		PAFF 6337. There is an update to the	
		electives section to remove PAFF 6330, PAFF	
		6331, PAFF 6335, PAFF 6337, PAFF 6351, and	
		PAFF 6361. There is an additional in the	
		electives section of PAFF 6301, PAFF 6304,	
		PAFF 6306, PAFF 6314, PAFF 6315, PAFF	
		6363, PAFF 6374, PAFF 6375, PAFF 6380, and	
		PAFF 6381. The capstone for the non-thesis	
		option has been changed from PAFF 7306 and	
Public Affairs with		a Public Policy elective to PAFF 6364 and any	
a Concentration in		PAFF course. The Thesis courses have been	
Public Policy	Change	changed from PAFF 7304 and PAFF 7305 to	
<u>(MPA)</u>	Program	PAFF 7300 and PAFF 7301.	AY 23 - 24
		There is an update to the program overview.	
		There is an update to the electives section to	
		add PAFF 6301, PAFF 6303, PAFF 6304, PAFF	
		6306, PAFF 5363, PAFF 6374, and PAFF 6375.	
		The following courses have been removed	
		from the elective section: PAFF 6392, PAFF	
Public Affairs with		6393, PAFF 6394, and PAFF 6395. The	
a Concentration in		capstone option for the non-thesis to include	
Global Security		PAFF 6364 and an any PAFF course. There is	
Studies and	Change	an addition of a thesis option with PAFF 7300	
Leadership (MPA)	Program	and PAFF 7301.	AY 23 - 24

#### Motion to approve change: Dumitru Caruntu

Second: Denise Longoria

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**Notes** – What is the difference between the thesis and directed studies? The difference is in the electives, but students aren't required to complete a directed studies in the non-thesis option. Can existing students follow these new options? Yes, the department will assist students in following the updated degree plan.



#### b) College of Health Professions

- i. Department of Communication Disorders
  - 1) Change Course, Change Program Donald Fuller

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		There is a change to the prerequisite	
		narrative from "Graduate standing to	
		COMD graduate program" to "Completion	
		of 25 observation hours in communication	
		sciences and disorders. Admission to the	
		COMD graduate program." The repeat	
		code is being changed from RP to NR.	
COMD 6180			
Graduate		The 25 hours cannot be enforced in any	
Practicum:		system. This prerequisite will not to be	
Audiology	Change Course	manually managed by the repart t.	AY 23 - 24
	0	There is a change to the course	
		description. There is a change to the	
		prerequisite narrative from "Graduate	
		standing to COMD graduate program" to	
		"Completion of 25 observation hours in	
		communication sciences and disorders.	
		Admission to the COMD graduate	
COMD 6301		program."	
Clinical		P. 40.	
Practicum I:		The 25 yours crained enforced in any	
Speech		system. This prerequise will have to be	
Pathology	Change Course	manually hanaged by the department.	AY 23 - 24
	0.10.80	There is a change to the course	
		description. There is a change to the	
		prerequisite narrative from "Graduate	
		standing to COMD graduate program and	
		COMD 6301" to "A grade of 'B' or better in	
		all first-year fall courses (COMD 6301,	
		COMD 6310, COMD 6325, COMD 6355,	
	<b>\</b>	COMD 6360) and a grade of 'B' or better in	
		COMD 6180. Students who did not	
		complete COMD 6180 as part of the first-	
		year fall courses must take COMD 6180	
COMD 6302		during the spring semester. Students who	
Clinical		earned less than a 'B' in COMD 6180 as	
Practicum II:		part of the first-year fall courses are not	
<u>Speech</u>		permitted to retake COMD 6180	
Pathology	Change Course	concurrently with COMD 6302."	AY 23 - 24
COMD 6303		There is a change to the course	
Clinical		description. There is a change to the	
Practicum III:	Change Course	prerequisite narrative from "Graduate	AY 23 - 24
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<u>Speech</u>		standing to COMD graduate program and	
Pathology		COMD 6301, 6302" to "A grade of 'B' or	
		better in all first-year spring courses	
		(COMD 6302, COMD 6330, COMD 6335,	
		COMD 6385) and COMD 6180."	
		There is a change to the course	
		description. There is a change to the	
COMD 6304		prerequisite narrative from "Graduate	
<u>Clinical</u>		standing to COMD graduate program and	
Practicum IV:		COMD 6301, 6302, 6303" to "A grade of 'B'	
<u>Speech</u>		or better in all summer term I courses	
Pathology	Change Course	(COMD 6303, COMD 6340, COMD 6365)."	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change to the course	
		description. There is a change to the	
<u>COMD 6310</u>		prerequisite parrative from "Graduate	
Research in		standing and admission to the COMD	
<b>Communication</b>		graduate program" to "Admission to the	
<b>Disorders</b>	Change Course	COMD graduate program."	AY 23 - 24
COMD 6325		There is a change to the course	
Childhood		description. There is a change to the	
Language		prerequisite narrative from "Graduate	
<b>Disorders and</b>		standing and admission to the COMD	
Clinical		graduate program" to "Admission to the	
Intervention	Change Course	COMD graduate program."	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change in the prerequisite	
		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all first-year	
		fall courses (COMD 6301, COMD 6310,	
		COMD 6325, COMD 6355, COMD 6360)	
		and a grade of 'B' or better in COMD 6180.	
		Students who did not complete COMD	
		6180 as part of the first-year fall courses	
		must take COMD 6180 during the spring	
		semester. Students who earned less than a	
		'B' in COMD 6180 as part of the first-year	
COMD 6330		fall courses are not permitted to retake	
Fluency		COMD 6180 concurrently with COMD	
Disorders	Change Course	6330."	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change in the prerequisite	
COMD 6335		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
Language	Change Course	admission to the COMD graduate program"	AY 23 - 24
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<b>Linguistically</b>		spring courses (COMD 6302, COMD 6330,	
Diverse		COMD 6335, COMD 6385) and COMD	
<b>Populations</b>		6180."	
		There is a change in the course description.	
		There is a change in the prerequisite	
COMD 6370		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
Seminar in		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
Speech-		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all second.	
Language		year fall COMD courses (COMD 6345,	
Pathology	Change Course	COMD 6395).	AY 23 - 24
<u>ruthology</u>	entinge course	There is a change in the prerequisite	
		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all first-year	
		fall courses (COMD 6301, COMD 6310,	
		COMD 6325, COMD 6355, COMD 6360)	
		and a grade of 'B' or better in COMD 6180.	
		Students who did not complete COMD	
		6180 as part of the first-year fall courses	
		must take COMD 6180 during the spring	
		semester. Students who earned less than a	
		'B' in COMD 6180 as part of the first-year	
		fall courses are not permitted to retake	
<u>COMD 6385</u>		COMD 6180 concurrently with COMD	
<u>Dysphagia</u>	Change Course	6385."	AY 23 - 24
<u>COMD 6390</u>		There is a change in the course description.	
<u>Autism</u>		There is a change in the prerequisite	
<u>Spectrum</u>		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
Disorder and		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
<u>Other</u>		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all summer	
<u>Developmental</u>	📕 🖌	term I courses (COMD 6303, COMD 6340,	
<u>Disorders</u>	Change Course	COMD 6365)."	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change in the course description.	
		There is a change in the prerequisite	
		narrative from "Graduate standing and	
COMD 6395		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
Advanced		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all summer	
Clinical		term II COMD academic courses (COMD	
Practicum I	Change Course	6304, COMD 6390, COMD 6397)."	AY 23 - 24
	0	There is a change in the course description.	
COMD 6396		There is a change in the prerequisite	
Advanced	Change Course	narrative from "Graduate standing and	AY 23 - 24
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<u>Clinical</u>		admission to the COMD graduate program"	
Practicum II		to "A grade of 'B' or better in all second-	
		year fall COMD academic courses (COMD	
		6345, COMD 6395)."	
		There is change in the long course title to	
		include the word "and." There is a change	
		in the prerequisite narrative from	
<u>COMD 6397</u>		"Graduate standing and admission to the	
Augmentative		COMD graduate program" to "A grade of	
and Alternative		'B' or better in all summer term I courses	
<b>Communication</b>	Change Course	(COMD 6303, COMD 6340, COMD 6365)."	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change to the pretequisite	
		narrative to remove Graduate standing but	
		keeping Admission to the COMD graduate	
		program. The repeat code is being changed	
<u>COMD 7300</u>		from RP to NR. The course description was	
<u>Thesis I</u>	Change Course	updated to remove repeatability.	AY 23 - 24
		There is a change in prerequisite narrative	
		to add "A grade o 'B' or better for" to the	
		COMD 7300 course. The repeat code is	
		being changed from RP to MR. The course	
<u>COMD 7301</u>		description was updated to remove	
<u>Thesis II</u>	Change Course	repeatability.	AY 23 - 24
		There is an addition of progression	
<b>Communication</b>		requirements and graduation requirements	
Sciences and	Change	to the "Content at the top of the Catalog	
Disorders (MS)	Program	Page."	AY 23 – 24

#### Motion to approve change: Denise Longoria

Second: Lisa Salinas

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**Notes** – if the 25 hours can't be enforced, why place it on the prerequisites? The department can manage that. It was an informational note to ensure that the committee and the department know what can be enforced. OCIA wants to ensure that the committee knows what can and can't be enforced in the systems.

#### c) College of Business and Entrepreneurship

i. Department of Management

#### 1) Delete Program, New Program – Akinloye Akindayomi

Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
		The department has removed the	
<u>Healthcare</u>		Healthcare Administration specialization in	
<b>Administration</b>	Delete Program	the face-to-face MBA. Due to this, this	AY 23 - 24

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and Leadership		certificate is being changed to an AOP	
<u>Certificate</u>		program.	
<u>Healthcare</u>			
Administration		This program is changing in modality from	
and Leadership		face-to-face to AOP. The changes from the	
Certificate -		original program include removing ECON	
<b>Accelerated</b>		6354 and NURS 6307. New courses include	
<u>Online</u>		FINA 6350, INFS 6340, INFS 6343, and	
<u>Program</u>	New Program	MARK 6350.	AY 23 - 24

### Motion to approve change: Denise Longoria Second: Rebecca Hernandez

**Motion Passes** 

#### Notes – Salvador Contreras is presenting this program.

#### d) College of Engineering and Computer Science

#### i. Department of Mechanical Engineering

#### 1) New Change Course – Dumitru Caruntu

Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
		This course was approved in October of	
		2021, but since then the course description	
		for this course needed to be updated. Since	
		the program hasn't been added to the	
BMEE 6316		catalog (as it is not approved to be	
Physiology for		implemented until Fall 2023), we weren't	
Biomedical	New Change	able to use the change course form. No	
Engineers	Course	other changes have been implemented.	AY 23 - 24

#### Motion to approve change: Michelle Abrego

Second: Kimberly Selber

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#### e) College of Education and P-16 Integration

i. Department of Teaching and Learning

1) Delete Program – James Jupp

Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year
<u>Higher</u> Education		Due to low enrollment, the department	
Teaching		would like to discontinue the program.	
Certificate -		There are three students currently active	
<b>Accelerated</b>	Delete Program	and enrolled.	AY 23 - 24

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#### Motion to approve change: Michelle Abrego Second: Denise Longoria

#### **Motion Passes**

**Notes** – Will students who are currently in the program be able to complete the program? there is only one student who is enrolled, but the department is working with the other two to ensure they know of the teach out and advising them through the teach out. The department isn't going to remove the courses to ensure the students can complete the program.

f) Graduate College i. Change in Policy – Sandra Hansmann				
Name	Туре	Comment	Effective Year	
		Language is being added to clarify		
		extensions for coursework and petitions for		
Expired		both masters and doctoral level		
<u>Coursework</u>	Revise Policy	coursework.	AY 23 - 24	
		Language is being added to clarify that		
<u>Graduate</u>		students will be dropped if they are		
<u>Student</u>		suspended, and the suspension appeal		
Standing and		process for both master and doctoral		
Probation	Revise Policy	students.	AY 23 - 24	

#### Motion to approve change: Rebecca Hernandez

### Second: Wei Lin

Motion Passes

**Notes** – Expired Course Work: For the 7-year timeline for master's level, will all courses expire? Students have 7 academic years from the time they start. If the student has been continuously enrolled, one year will automatically be given to the student. If a student stopped out, the student would have to apply to get the courses re-validated and they would have to start on the new catalog they entered.

Graduate Student Standing and Probation: In academic suspension portion the GPA should be 3.25 not 3.0. OCIA will correct.

#### 2) Informational Items

- a) Office of Curriculum and Institutional Assessment
- i. Request to remove the GRE Laura Saenz

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Agenda AY 2022-2023 Meeting Time 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

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College of Liberal	Writing and	Spanish Translation and Interpreting	
Arts	Language Studies	(MA)	TBD
College of Liberal			
Arts	Political Science	Political Science (MA)	TBD
College of Liberal	Psychological		
Arts	Sciences	Clinical Psychology (PhD)	TBD
College of Liberal		Concentration in Anthropology, Art	
Arts, College of	MAIS – multiple	History, History, English, and Mexican	
Fine Arts	depts	American Studies.	TBD
		Concentration in Science and	
		Technology (concentration name is in	
	MSIS - Physics and	the process of changing to Physics, as	
College of Science	Astronomy	noted above.)	TBD
College of Science	No Dept	Biochemistry (MS)	зD
College of Science	Biology	Biology (MS)	TBD
College of Science	Chemistry	Chemistry (MS)	TBD
College of Science	School of Earth,		
	Environmental,		
	and Marine	Agricultural, Environmental, and	
	Sciences	Sustainability Sciences (MS)	TBD
College of Science	School of Earth,		
	Environmental,		
	and Marine	Ocean, Coastal and Earth Sciences	
	Sciences	(MS)	TBD
College of Science	School of		
	Mathematical and		
	Statistical Sciences	Mathematics (MS)	TBD
College of Science	Physics and		
	Astronomy	Physics (MS)	TBD

# Based on March 1, 2023, feedback from UT System regarding request to removal the GRE or GMAT as an admission requirement:

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Programs working a rough the formal process to remove the GRE/GMAT from their admissions requirements can be united an extension of the waiver implemented during the pandemic as they complete the proposal to permanently remove the requirement. The proposal must be reviewed by institutional leadership prior to submission to UT System. Removal of the GRE/GMAT requirement must be approved by the UTS Board of Regents. The waiver will expire according to the following timeline below. For those programs that have determined that the GRE/GMAT is predictive, and do not wish to change their admissions standards, the GRE/GMAT will not be removed. (**This was added during the meeting at 10:58. It was mistakenly omitted**)

#### **Based on Application Cycle**

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Waive GRE/GMAT	Department Action to Remove GRE/GMAT	Due Date	Outcomes	UTRGV Next Steps	UT System Decision	Date GRE/GMAT is permanently removed or reinstated
Applications received during Spring/Summer 2023 and AY 2023-2024	Submit data and proposal to remove GRE/GMAT for institutional review by due date	June 30, 2023, for November 2023 UTS BOR meeting	Data supports the request to remove the GRE/GMAT.	Send request to UTS	Approve	Applications received in AY 2024-2025
Applications received during Spring/Summer 2023 and AY 2023-2024	Submit data and proposal to remove GRE/GMAT for institutional review by due date	June 30, 2023, for November 2023 UTS BOR meeting	Data supports the request to remove the GRE/GMAT.	Send request to UTS	Reject	Applications received in AY 2024-2025
Applications received during Spring/Summer 2023 and AY 2023-2024	Submit data and proposal to remove GRE/GMAT for institutional review by due date	June 30, 2023, for November 2023 UTS BOR meeting	Data does not support request to remove GRE/GMAT	Do not send request to UTS	n/a	Applications received in AY 2024-2025
Applications received during Spring/Summer 2023 and AY 2023-2024	Program does not submit request to remove GRE/GMAT for institutional review by due date	June 30, 2023, for November 2023 UTS BOR meeting	p/a	n/a	n/a	Applications received in AY 2024-2025

**Notes:** The paragraph in the above was added during the meeting. For Biomedical Engineering program set to start in the Fall, would the department be able to submit as well? Since the program is brand new the institution will have to have more concentrations for this one. since the program doesn't have any data to show that it isn't needed so it makes it a bit more difficult. Is there anything else that a department can do to assist in the data gathering, aside from letting OCIA know they would like to remove the GRE? OCIA will reach out to the department once the institution has come up with a plan for data gathering.

#### **Graduate Committee Meeting** Agenda AY 2022-2023 Meeting Time 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

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MUAP 6279 & MUAP 6243	In February these two courses were	
	approved to be removed from the inventory.	
	There are students who need to take these	
	two courses in the fall, so we are re-	
	activating them.	

#### 1) Announcements or Other Informational Items

- i) Next meeting October 2023
- ii) Thanks to the Chair, Charles Rousch, and Vice Chair, Kimberly Selber
- iii) Change of Committee Meeting Dates

#### 2) Adjournment

Motion: Michelle Abrego Second: Kimberly Selber Adorned: 11:11 am

#### DRAFT REVISED EXPIRED COURSEWORK

Current:	Proposed:
MASTER'S COURSEWORK – MAXIMUM PERIOD FOR COMPLETION	MASTER'S COURSEWORK – MAXIMUM PERIOD FOR COMPLETION
All academic coursework applied toward a Master's degree must have been earned in the seven (7) years immediately preceding completion of the graduate program.	All academic coursework applied toward a Master's degree must have been earned in the seven (7) years immediately preceding completion of the graduate program.
In exceptional circumstances only, upon approval of the Dean of Graduate College, expired course credits may be revalidated for one year only and	Petitions for Extension of the Maximum Period for Degree Completion
may not be revalidated more than once. A limit of 9 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in a 30-credit hour degree plan, and a limit of 12 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in 36-credit hour or greater degree plans.	In exceptional circumstances, active continuously enrolled students may request a one-year extension of the Maximum Period for Degree Completion upon approval of the Program, Academic College, and Graduate College. A denial at any level stops the process. Students with an approved extension of the maximum period for
Expired coursework will not be revalidated for the purpose of use in a second or subsequent degree and expired elective coursework will not	degree completion are not required to submit course revalidations.
be revalidated. In addition, transferred and/or substituted credits will not be revalidated.	Petitions for Revalidation of Expired Coursework
Students must graduate within one (1) academic year of credit revalidation, and revalidation does not change the grade initially earned in the course.	In exceptional circumstances only, inactive students seeking to return to UTRGV for degree completion may reapply to UTRGV and upon admission, petition to include expired coursework in the degree.
Students seeking to revalidate expired coursework must meet with their Graduate Program Coordinator (GPC) to discuss revalidation and to develop a degree plan/path graduation. Non-enrolled students must re-appl and be admitted into a degree program at UTRG to pursue course revalidation.	A limit of 9 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in a 30-credit hour degree plan, and a limit of 12 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in 36-credit hour or greater degree plans, upon approval of the Program, Academic College, and Graduate College. A denial at any level stops the process.
	Students must graduate within one (1) academic year of credit revalidation, and revalidation does not change the grade initially earned in the course.
	Expired coursework will not be revalidated for the purpose of use in a second or subsequent

	degree and expired elective coursework will not be revalidated. In addition, transferred and/or substituted credits will not be revalidated. Students seeking to revalidate expired coursework must meet with their Graduate Program Coordinator (GPC) to discuss revalidation and to develop a degree plan/path to graduation.
DOCTORAL COURSEWORK – MAXIMUM PERIOD FOR COMPLETION	DOCTORAL COURSEWORK – MAXIMUM PERIOD FOR COMPLETION
All academic coursework applied toward a Doctoral degree must have been earned in the ten (10) years immediately preceding completion of the graduate program.	All academic coursework applied toward a Doctoral degree must have been earned in the ten (10) years immediately preceding completion of the graduate program.
In some circumstances, upon approval of the Dean of Graduate College, expired course credits may be revalidated for one year only and may not	Petitions for Extension of the Maximum Period for Degree Completion
be revalidated more than once. Expired coursework will not be revalidated for the purpose of use in a second or subsequent degree and expired elective coursework will not be revalidated.	In exceptional circumstances, active continuously enrolled students may request a one-year extension of the Maximum Period for Degree Completion upon approval of the Program, Academic College, and Graduate College. A denial
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Students must graduate within one (1) academic year of credit revalidation, and revalidation does not change the grade initially earned in the course.	course revalidations. Petitions for Revalidation of Expired Coursework
Students seeking to revalidate expired coursework must meet with their Doctoral Dissertation Committee (DDC) to discuss possible revalidation. Non-enrolled students must re- apply and be admitted into a degree program at	In exceptional circumstances only, inactive students seeking to return to UTRGV for degree completion may reapply to UTRGV and upon admission, petition to include expired coursework in the degree.
UTRGV in order to pursue course revalidation.	A limit of 9 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in a 30-credit hour degree plan, and a limit of 12 credit hours may be revalidated and reinstated in 36-credit hour or greater degree plans, upon approval of the Program, Academic College, and Graduate College. A denial at any level stops the process.

#### Draft 23 24 Graduate Student Standing and Probation

Current	Proposed
MASTERS ACADEMIC STANDING, ACADEMIC PROBATION, AND ACADEMIC SUSPENSION	MASTERS ACADEMIC STANDING, ACADEMIC PROBATION, AND ACADEMIC SUSPENSION
For a masters-level graduate student to remain in good academic standing, the student must maintain a cumulative and semester or module grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and meet their department's academic progress criteria toward degree completion. The minimum GPA of 3.0 is based on all course work taken, regardless of whether the courses are part of the student's degree plan. A student whose GPA falls below a 3.0 cumulatively or in a given semester or module is placed on academic probation the next semester or module. Within the probationary semester or module, the student's cumulative and semester or module GPA must return to 3.0 or the student will be suspended. Some programs may require a higher minimum GPA in the program or in specific courses for progression into subsequent courses. A student who receives an F in any course is suspended without a probationary semester or module	Good Academic Standing For a masters-level graduate student to remain in good academic standing, the student must maintain a cumulative and semester or module grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and meet their department's academic progress criteria toward degree completion. The minimum GPA of 3.0 is based on all course work taken, regardless of whether the courses are part of the student's degree plan. Some programs may require a higher minimum GPA in the program or in specific courses for progression into subsequent courses. Academic Probation— A student whose GPA falls below a 3.0 cumulatively or in a given semester or module is placed on academic probation the next semester or module. Within the probationary semester or module, the student's cumulative and semester or module GPA must return to 3.0 or the student will be suspended. Academic Suspension— Probationary students who do not raise their GPA to the minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of the probationary semester or module regardless of cumulative GPA. Suspended students who nevertheless register or have registered prior to completion of the semester in which academic standing is determined will be dropped from coursework.
regardless of cumulative GPA. To petition for readmission into a	Suspension Appeals To continue graduate studies, suspended students must
graduate program, a suspended	submit an appeal through the Graduate Program

student must submit a written request through the Director of Graduate Program and the Dean of the College to the Graduate College Dean, and upon approval, may continue the program of study.	<ul> <li>Coordinator and the Academic College Dean to the Graduate College Dean, and upon approval, may continue in the program of study.</li> <li>Dismissal— Students whose suspension appeals are not approved are dismissed. Students who do not meet the conditions of an approved reinstatement appeal are dismissed.</li> </ul>
<mark>Current</mark>	Proposed
DOCTORAL ACADEMIC STANDING, ACADEMIC PROBATION, AND ACADEMIC SUSPENSION	DOCTORAL ACADEMIC STANDING, ACADEMIC PROBATION, AND ACADEMIC SUSPENSION
For a doctoral-level graduate student to remain in good academic standing, the student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25 (on a 4.0 scale), maintain a semester or module GPA of 3.25, and maintain a 3.25 in 8000 and 9000 level coursework. Some programs may require a higher minimum GPA in the program or in specific courses for progression into subsequent courses. A student who does not meet the 3.25 GPA requirements as specified above is placed on	Good Academic Standing For a doctoral-level graduate student to remain in good academic standing, the student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25 (on a 4.0 scale), maintain a semester or module GPA of 3.25, and maintain a 3.25 in 8000 and 9000 level coursework. Some programs may require a higher minimum GPA in the program or in specific courses for progression into subsequent courses. Academic Probation— A student whose who does not meet the criteria for Good Academic Standing is placed on academic probation the next semester or module. Within the probationary semester or module, the student's cumulative and semester or module GPA must return to 3.25 or the student will be suspended.
academic probation the next semester or module. Within that probationary semester or module, the semester or module and cumulative GPA must return to 3.25 or the student will be suspended.	<ul> <li>Academic Suspension— Probationary students who do not raise their GPA to the minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of the probationary semester are suspended.</li> <li>Students who receive an F in any course are suspended without a probationary semester or module regardless of cumulative GPA.</li> </ul>
A student who receives an F in any course is suspended without a probationary semester or module regardless of cumulative GPA.	Suspended students who nevertheless register or have registered prior to completion of the semester in which academic standing is determined will be dropped from coursework.

A student who receives a grade of C or lower in 9 semester hours of credit attempted toward the doctoral degree (i.e., earns three C grades) is suspended without a probationary semester or module regardless of cumulative GPA.	Suspension Appeals To continue graduate studies, suspended students must <u>submit an appeal</u> through the Graduate Program Coordinator and the Academic College Dean to the Graduate College Dean, and upon approval, may continue in the program of study.
Doctoral students must also meet departmental and institutional academic progress criteria toward doctoral degree completion. Not meeting academic progress requirements may result in the student being placed on academic probation or suspension by the Program through the Dean of the Academic College. To petition for readmission into a graduate program, a suspended student must submit a written request through the Director of Graduate Program and the Dean of the College to the Graduate College Dean, and upon approval, may continue the program of study.	<ul> <li>Dismissal— Students whose suspension appeals are not approved are dismissed.</li> <li>A student who receives a grade of C or lower in 9 semester hours of credit attempted toward the doctoral degree (i.e., earns three C grades) is suspended without a probationary semester or module regardless of cumulative GPA.</li> <li>Doctoral students must also meet departmental and institutional academic progress criteria toward doctoral degree completion. Not meeting academic progress requirements may result in the student being placed on academic probation, suspension, or dismissal by the Program through the Dean of the Academic College. Students suspended or dismissed under program or academic college policies may submit an Academic Appeal.</li> </ul>