**Graduate Committee Agenda February 1, 2019 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Edinburg Campus ESCNE 4.640 Conference Room / Brownsville BBRHP 2.212**

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| **Members Sign-In** |
| **Dr. John Ferris** |
| **Dr. George Yanev** |
| **Dr. Dumitru Caruntu** |
| **Dr. Carlos De Souza** |
| **Dr. Laura Jewett** |
| **Dr. John VandBerg** |
| **Dr. Akinloye Akindayomi** |
| **Dr. Sandra Hansmann** |
| **Dr. Aziza Zemrani** |

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| **Vistors Sign-In** |  |
| **Dr. Janinie Schall** | **Bilingual & Literacy Studies (CEP)** |
| **Dr. Robert Dearth** | **Biology** |
| **Dr. Christine Shupala** | **Assoc VP Institutional Accreditation** |
| **Dr. Rene Corbeil** | **Teaching & Learning** |
| **Dr. Sarah Rowe** | **Anthropology** |
| **Dr. Gabriel Gonzalez** | **Translation & Interpreting** |
| **Dr. Rosalinda Rossow** | **School of Nursing** |
| **Dr. Dahlia Rojas** | **School of Nursing** |
| **Dr. Sudershan Pasupuleti** | **Social Work** |

1. **CHAIR’S WELCOME**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 
   1. Review of January 4, 2019 Minutes

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Laura Jewett |
| **Motion:** | By Consent, due to electronic meeting format |
| **Rec.** |  |
| **Notes** | Approved |

1. **OLD BUSINESS**
   1. College of Sciences
2. ADD NEW DEGREE: M.S. in Space Science Technology and Commercialization
   * 1. ADD New Course: PHYS 5301 Introduction to Commercial Space Exploration and Development.

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Creighton |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Aziza Zemrani |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Caruntu |
| **Notes** | New degree approved with Caveats: Degree is approved with coursework (including the 1 new course, PHYS 5301) in Physics & Astronomy only. Concentrations with  Education and Business were not presented and thus tabled indefinitely, pending additional development. |

1. **NEW BUSINESS: REVIEW OF SUBMISSIONS**
   * + 1. **College of Liberal Arts**
2. REVISIONS to Anthropology Course Inventory
   * 1. REVISE Course Descriptions:
        1. ANTH 6310 Food & Culture
        2. ANTH 6312 Political & Legal Anthropology
        3. ANTH 6338 Music Ethnography & Method
        4. ANTH 6363 Archeological Method & Theory
        5. ANTH 6365 Archeology of South America
        6. ANTH 6374 Archeology of North America
        7. ANTH 7301 Thesis II
     2. REVISE Repeat for Credit/Multiple Enrollment Same Term:
        1. ANTH 6385 Topics in Anthropology
     3. DELETE Course:
        1. ANTH 6380 Social Anthroplogy

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Sarah Rowe |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Caruntu |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Akindayomi |
| **Notes** | All revisions and deletions approved as a grouped action |

* + 1. ADD NEW COURSES:
    2. ANTH 6320 Warfare and Society
    3. ANTH 6351 Global Health: Critical Perspectives
    4. ANTH 6377 Cultural Heritage

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Sarah Rowe |
| **Motion:** | Dr. De Souza |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Yanev |
| **Notes** | All new courses approved as a grouped action |

1. ADD Research Track Degree Option: MA in Spanish Translation and Interpreting. The current non-research track will remain, and includes 15 hours of required courses, 12 hours of designated electives, 6 hours of free electives, and 3 hours of Capstone (total 36 hours). The research track will include 18 hours of required courses, 6 hours of designated electives, 6 hours of free electives, and 6 hours of Capstone (total 36 hours), accomplished by repeating TRSP/SPAN 6395 for credit.
2. REVISE Course Inventory: Allow TRSP/SPAN 6395 to be repeated for credit

ii. ADD Restricted Elective to Degree Plan: TRSP/SPAN 6341

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Gabriel Gonzalez |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Akindayomi |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Addition of research track, course revision, and addition of elective- all items approved as a grouped action |

* 1. **College of Education and P-16 Integration**

1. REVISE Degree Plan: M.Ed. in Reading and Literacy
   * 1. Replace “ENGL Course Approved by Advisor” with RLIT 6302 Digital Literacy and Adolescents.

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Janine Schall |
| **Motion:** | Dr. VandeBerg |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Approved |

1. ADD Course: Ed.D. in Curriculum and Instruction
2. EDTC 8376 Special Topics in Education Technology
3. REVISE Course: Bilingual and Literacy Studies
4. RLIT 6305 Conducting Literacy Research: Remove EDFR 6300 as a prerequisite

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Rene Corbeil |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Caruntu |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Addition and revision approved as a grouped action |

* 1. **College of Science**

1. Department of Biology Master of Science Program
   * 1. REVISE Admission Requirements

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Robert Dearth |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Caruntu |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Approved |

* + 1. REVISE Degree Plan for both Thesis and Non-Thesis Options
    2. REVISE Biology Thesis and Non-Thesis Graduation Requirements
    3. Thesis Track:
       1. Remove Preliminary oral exam
       2. Remove minimum credit requirement of 6000 level classes
       3. Accept 9 hours from outside BIOL
    4. Non-Thesis Track:
       1. Remove minimum credit requirement of 6000 level classes
       2. Accept 9 hours from outside BIOL

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Roberth Dearth |
| **Motion:** | DR. VandeBerg |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Approved as a grouped action: Revision of degree plan, revision of graduation requirements for both thesis and non-thesis track, course substitution. |

* + - 1. BIOL 6390 Internship may be substituted for BIOL 6365 Biological Research Problems
    1. ADD CERTIFICATE in Vector and Vector-Bone Diseases (9hours)

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| **Motion:** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Akindayomi |
| **Notes** | Approved |

* + 1. REVISE Course Title: Change BIOL 5319 Advanced Medical Entomology to BIOL 6319 Vector Biology
    2. REVISE Course Number: Change Advanced Endocrinology BIOL 5313 to 6313
    3. DELETE BIOL 6102 Scientific Thinking
    4. REVISE BIOL 6101 Scientific Writing to BIOL 6201 Scientific Communication
    5. REVISE Course Description for BIOL 7100
    6. REVISE Course Number and Description for BIOL 7300 Thesis I, will become BIOL 7301 Thesis I
    7. REVISE Course Number and Description for BIOL 7301 Thesis II, will become BIOL 7302 Thesis II

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Robert Dearth |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Caruntu |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | All revisions and deletions approved as a grouped action. |

* 1. **School of Nursing**

1. REVISE Course Inventory: School of Nursing
   * 1. Revise Course Title of NURS 6475 PMHNP I: Diagnosis and Management Across the Lifespan to NURS 6475 PMHNP I: Diagnosis and Management Across the Lifespan Theory
     2. Revise Course Title of NURS 6476 PMHNP II: Diagnosis and Management Across the Lifespan to NURS 6475 PMHNP II: Diagnosis and Management Across the Lifespan Practice

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Eloisa Tamez |
| **Motion:** | Dr. De Souza |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Akindaymoi |
| **Notes** | Approved—all requested revisions |

* 1. **School of Social Work**

1. ADD New Courses:
   * 1. SOCW 6076 Clinical Practicum
     2. SOCW 6077 Clinical Practicum
     3. SOCW 6078 Macro Practicum
     4. SOCW 6379 Macro Practicum

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| **Presenter** | Dr. Sudershan Pasupuleti |
| **Motion:** | Dr. Aziza Zemrani |
| **Rec.** | Dr. Ferris |
| **Notes** | Approved as a grouped action—all additions. |

* 1. **Vackar College of Business and Entrepreneurship**

1. None
   1. **College of Engineering and Computer Science**
2. None
3. **OTHER INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

* Graduation application fee will be waived effective immediately (Masters and Doctoral)
* Exemption
  + - 1. Communication Science and Disorders
      2. Physician Assistant Studies
      3. Physician Assistant Bridge Program
      4. OT Disorders

1. **ADJOURNMENT**