

Armstrong Atlantic State University
School of Graduate Studies
Minutes of the Graduate Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 14, 2003

The Graduate Council met at 2:30 p.m. in University Hall Room 282. Those in attendance: Sara Connor (chair), Katherine Bennett, Marilyn Buck, Patricia Coberly, Maryellen Cosgrove, Raymond Greenlaw, Christopher Hendricks, Kathryn O'Neal, Nikki Palamiotis, Sandy Streater, Joey Crosby, Barry Eckert, Sabitra Brush, Sergio DeAgostino, Elwin Tilson.

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- I. The minutes from September 9, 2003 were approved.
- II. Standing Committee Reports:
 - A. Curriculum Committee – The Curriculum Committee meets the first Wednesday of the month. The minutes of the Wednesday, October 1, 2003 meeting were approved.
 - B. Faculty Status and Activities Committee – there were no applications submitted
 - C. Academic Policy & Student Affairs Committee – will be requesting Who's Who nominations, departments are asked to nominate as many as possible
- III. Proposed Certificate Policy – Changes to the existing policy for Degree Seeking Students was postponed until the next meeting. However, there were two editorial changes to the existing policy.

A student who falls below a 3.0 overall grade point average upon completion of ~~any multiple of three courses or~~ nine semester hours approved by the graduate program will be placed on academic probation. A 3.0 overall grade point average must be earned upon completion of an additional nine semester hours to have the academic ~~probation removed~~ probation removed. Failure to achieve a 3.0 overall grade point average will result in the student being ~~disenrolled-academically dismissed~~ from the School of Graduate Studies.

The Proposed Policy for Certificate Seeking Students was unanimously approved and will go into affect Spring 2004. The approved policy reads as follows:

A certificate seeking student who falls below a 3.0 overall grade point average at the end of any semester will be placed on academic probation. The student will have one semester to return to a 3.0 overall grade point average and have the academic probation removed. Failure to achieve a 3.0 grade point average after one semester of academic probation will result in the student being academically dismissed from the School of Graduate Studies.

IV. Discussion regarding implications of Admission Categories – Nikki Palamiotis discussed the differences between admitting students as Limited Post-Baccalaureate and Limited Certificate. It is important that departments are admitting students exactly as they want them to be listed in Banner. Joey Crosby asked about an administrative correction that would only allow students to register for 12 hours.

V. Report from the Graduate Student Coordinating Council – Kathryn O’Neal reported that the GSCC has met several times in the last month. The GSCC has partially funded two student requests. Kathryn reported that the GSCC gave out approximately 100 shirts at AASU day. They seem to be having difficulty getting the information about the t-shirts out to graduate students. Graduate Bowling will take place on November 8 from 7pm- 10pm at Hunter Lanes.

VI. Other – Graduate enrollment is currently at 907. There was discussion about how to permanently record graduate certificates (within department or School of Graduate Studies). Dr. Connor will talk with Mr. West about a solution.

The next Graduate Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 11, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Hansen
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