MEMORANDUM

To: Graduate Curriculum Committee

From: Natasha Beckett, School of Graduate Studies

Date: September 9, 2005

Subject: Minutes for September 7, 2005

The Graduate Curriculum Committee met in Victor 219, Wednesday, September 7, 2005 at 1pm. Those in attendance included: Don Josi, Karen Hollinger, Ray Hashemi, Bettye Ann Battiste, Jane Wong (visitor), and Mike Price (chair). Voting was held electronically for the members who could not be present due to extenuating circumstances.

I. The April 6, 2005 minutes were approved

II. The following items from the College of Arts and Sciences were approved:

E. Criminal Justice, Social, & Political Science
   1. Create the following course:
      POLS 5270G Intelligence and National Security Policy 3-0-3
      Prerequisite: HIST/POLS 1100 or POLS 2100
      Description: An examination of the roles played by the president, the National Security Council, the Cabinet Departments of State, Defense, and Homeland Security, and the intelligence community in the national security/defense policy-making process.
      Rationale: This course will complement POLS 4290 American Foreign Policy and POLS 3290 Constitution Law of Foreign Policy. It will also benefit the Criminal Justice major in that it will incorporate the counterterrorism and counternarcotics aspects of American national security. The course will be open both to undergraduate and graduate students.
      Effective Term: Spring 2005

      CURCAT:
      Major Department: Criminal Justice, Social, & Political Science
      Can course be repeated for additional credit? no
      Maximum number of Credit Hours: 3
      Grading Mode: normal
      Instruction Type: lecture

J. Psychology
   1. Create the following course:
      PSYC 5010G and -20G, SPECIAL TOPICS IN PSYCHOLOGY 3-0-3
      Prerequisite: PSYC 1101
      Description: Upper-level courses not otherwise offered in the psychology curriculum. Various substantive topics, theoretical issues and problems.
Possibility to repeat with different topics. No more than two such courses counted in the minor. Special topics courses may satisfy sections II-V of the major course requirements at the discretion of the department head.

Rationale: The topics typically covered in this course are at the advanced undergraduate level and/or the graduate level. We want to offer the course with a course number that would accurately reflect the level of material covered. We believe this course, taught at the graduate level as well would be a valuable addition to the School of Graduate Studies’ course offerings, particularly in support of the Master of Liberal and Professional Studies degree program.

Effective Term: Spring 2006

CURCAT:
Major Department: Psychology
Can course be repeated for additional credit? yes
Maximum number of credit hours: 6
Cross-listed courses: none
Grading mode: normal
Instruction Type: lecture

III. The following item from the College of Health Professions was approved:

B. Health Sciences

1. Discontinue the certificate in Public Health and the certificate in Health Services Administration.

Rationale: The certificate programs were created to serve as a feeder programs for the MPH and the MHSA degrees. We have found that this has not been an effective way to get quality graduate students for either program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Natasha Beckett