

# UCF Graduate Council

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## CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

### Minutes of July 26, 2005 meeting

#### Members Present

Kevin Belfield, Charles Reilly, Linda Savage, Rachel Viggiano, Lea Witt, Patricia Bishop, Ram Mohapatra

#### Recorder

Rhonda Nelson

#### Guests Present

Ben Morgan, Max Poole, Richard Gilson, Clint Bowers, Michael Johnson, E.J. Rinalducci, Lisa Mindak, Ruth Ann Savage, Alexander Cole, Paige Borden

Handouts: M.S. Film and Digital Media Interactive Entertainment Track, M.A. in Applied Experimental and Human Factors Psychology, Doctor of Medicine new degree proposal, criteria sheets, 2 handouts on Human Factors proposal, handout for Doctor of Medicine proposal, and criteria sheets.

1. The meeting began at 2:00 p.m. in Room 327 Millican Hall with Dr. Mohapatra, chair, facilitating. A quorum was established.
2. M.S. Film and Digital Media Interactive Entertainment Track – Clint Bowers gave an overview of this track indicating that it will be part of the existing M.S. Film and Digital Media program and is designed to provide specific skills in the area of game design and also in essential areas such as problem-solving, teamwork, and project management. The track requires 15 hours of core courses, 9 hours of electives, one practicum, and a capstone experience for a total of 30 hours. The program is planned to have 10 students per semester. The chair then asked for questions from the committee. The committee asked that the wording “SACS accredited” be changed to read “SACS qualified.” Add clarification on the number of students per semester and that students are limited by production teams. Under the elective requirements, add a statement clarifying that 18 hours need to be at the 6000 level. FIL Visual Storytelling and Transmedia Story Creation courses should be created as 6000 level courses. Under the faculty area, there was a question regarding the visiting assistant professors. Dr. Bowers indicated that they have hired one visiting professor as an assistant professor now, and they will be doing a search on the other position. Dr. Bowers will make changes and forward information to Rhonda. This track received unanimous approval by the council with the suggested changes.
3. M.A. in Applied Experimental and Human Factors Psychology – summary of the M.A. was given by Dr. Richard Gilson and Ms. Ruth Ann Savage. Dr. Gilson pointed out that Psychology is in the middle of an accreditation program. He indicated that the intent of the program is to have students work toward the Ph.D. but will also be able to get an M.A. along the way. Savage distributed handouts and gave a summary of the proposal. The committee was then asked to address any questions. A question was raised regarding the internship for the degree and if that should be continued. The student must complete intent to graduate form to get the M.A. The committee indicated that material in the handout make a very compelling case for the degree and that this info should be added upfront in the program description area. Gilson indicated that the various Ph.D.s in the country are designed like this. A suggestion was made to add information to the body of the proposal about some of the comparisons of the other universities. Add additional curriculum on number of hours. Include information on the previous accreditation from HSEF to the body of the proposal. On page 24, Section III, add recommendations verbatim and then provide the responses on this as to what was accomplished. The criteria sheet was then evaluated for criteria strengths and weaknesses. A revised proposal with these changes should be forwarded electronically to Rhonda. This proposal received unanimous approval with the changes as indicated.
4. Doctor of Medicine - Dr. Bishop gave a summary of this proposal. UCF will partner with the University of Puerto Rico's Medical College. Plans include faculty and student exchanges, joint research activities, study abroad programs, residency and clerkships. This program will partnership with area hospitals. UCF will provide 20 faculty from BSC; an additional 35 basic science faculty, 50 clinical faculty, and 5 deans will be necessary to provide instruction. UCF will build a research building to support medically related research. The chair then asked for questions from the committee. Holcomb indicated that the culture piece could be stronger and should be represent both gender and minority based. Add a paragraph that indicates that the College of Medicine will recruit for minority students. Our College of Medicine to take the best of these models. On the Puerto Rico piece, add language regarding cultural sensitive students to strengthen this area. Should include language skills as a co requisite. In clinical skills area, clerkship areas, and faculty and student exchange areas, will strengthen all this language. Will tie everything together in the needs assessment area. Provider of the future, prevention and health promotion curriculum that has been put together and add rationale for this in there across 4 years. Should add evidenced-based practice as part of the curriculum. Add Integration seminars and how they will operate. Talk more about our internal partners and their contributions, and benefiting curriculum. Strengthen the recruiting area with a strong summary section on what we intend to do. Will partner with the research aspect from the other departments and colleges. Need collaboration among medicine, nursing, and allied health working together. Transition of nurses and doctors training together on assessments, and practice in ambulatory settings. Courses should provide transaction with nursing and health services. Add something about facilities practice. Need to clarify the graduation requirements area in more detail. Add a paragraph regarding the fundraising for fellowships, scholarships,

and emphasize the low tuition part. A comment was made that the Library monies seemed scant. Bishop indicated this was inline with requirement and that we would also have access to the University of PR library and other online libraries. Bishop will review this part and have the library look at this section. Reilly asked if there was comparable curriculum with other universities. Bishop will add language on this. Suggestion was made to combine some of the multiple letters from the same place. Bishop shared that a final draft would be due to the provost in 2 weeks. Bishop will send a final version to Mohapatra, Holcomb, and Cole for final reading. The criteria sheet was then evaluated for criteria strengths and weaknesses. The Graduate Council approved this proposal unanimously with the suggested changes.

5. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.