

**GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2019
BUILDING 1A, Room 308**

Graduate Studies Committee: John Sandler, Jianying Gu, Jonathan Peters, Chandan Acharya, Ming Tang, Bilge Yesil, Xiaowen Zhang, Margaret Berci, Ruth Powers Silverberg, Alexandar Haber, Katharine Goodland (Chair), Alfred Levine, Don Selby, Susan Smith-Peter, Maureen Garvey, Greg Phillips, Catherine Paradiso, Zaghoul Ahmed, Barbra Teater

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1. The agenda for the October 16th GSC meeting was unanimously approved.
2. The minutes from the September 9th meeting were unanimously approved.
3. Proposal from the Department of Social Work for:
 - a. Change in existing course: SWK 605 Ethics & Diversity was unanimously approved.
4. Proposals from the Master of Engineering in Electrical Engineering Program for:
 - a. Change in existing course: ELE 701 Photonic Devices was unanimously approved.
5. Proposal from the Department of English for:
 - a. Change in degree requirements: English MA was unanimously approved.
6. Proposal from the Master of Science in Business Management
 - a. New Policy: Accelerated Admission Policy for MS in Business Management was unanimously approved.
7. Proposal from the Master of Science in Environmental Science for:
 - a. Topics: ESC 810 Soils and Sustainability was unanimously approved.
8. Proposal from the Department of Physical Therapy for:

- a. New course: PHT 901 (901 requested) Acute Care Physical Therapy was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing degree: Physical Therapy DPT was unanimously approved.
9. Appeals Process: The Committee discussed the current Graduate Appeals process and what appeals the Committee is responsible for reviewing. The discussion also included the possibility of exploring an F grade repeat policy at the Graduate level (Queens College). Further information will be provided to the Committee to review in preparation for a continued discussion at the November meeting.