

**GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 5, 2018
BUILDING 1A, Room 308**

Graduate Studies Committee: John Sandler, Ming Tang, Xiaowen Zhang, Eileen Donoghue, Susan Sullivan, Ruth Powers Silverberg, Vinay Vaishampayan, Katharine Goodland (Chair), Alfred Levine, John Dixon, Kerry Falloon, Alejandra Alonso, Patricia Given, Wei Zhang, Li Ge, Christine Flynn Saulnier

Staff: Michael Anderson, Susan Massara, Veronica DiMeglio, Sasha Spence

Ex-Officio: Marcus Tye, Vivian Incera, Mel Pipe

Excused: Jianying Gu, Jonathan Peters, Chandan Acharya, Edward Miller, Margaret Berci, Ananya Mukherjea, Sandra Hunt, Susan Holak, Kenneth Gold, Sarolta Takács, Marcello Lucia

Guests: Michael Chiacchiero, Richard Veit

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1. The agenda for November 5th was unanimously approved.
2. The approval of the minutes from the October 1st were unanimously approved.
3. Proposals from the Department of Physical Therapy for:
 - a. Change in existing course: PHT 887 Clinical Decision Making was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: PHT 770 Evidence Based Research I was unanimously approved.
 - c. Change in existing course: PHT 710 Evidence Based Research II was unanimously approved.
 - d. Change in existing course: PHT 860 Evidence Based Research III was unanimously approved.
 - e. Change in existing course: PHT 806 Clinical Affiliation I was unanimously approved.
4. Proposal from the Department of English for:
 - a. Change in existing course: ENG 690 Seminar in Thesis Writing was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: ENG 780 Supervision of Thesis Writing and Oral Defense was unanimously approved.
 - c. Change in degree requirements: MA in English was unanimously approved.
5. Proposals from the Department of History for:
 - a. Change in existing course: HST 751 Introduction to Archival Studies was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: HST 752 Archival Studies Practicum was unanimously approved.
6. Proposal from the Program in Neuroscience for:
 - a. New Course: NSM 813: Statistics for the Neurosciences was tabled for consultation.

7. New Business: Mel Pipe reminded the committee that there will be a Middle States visit in 2020. In addition, she shared that at the Provost/Deans Council it was reported that there was a drop in Graduate enrollment. She asked the committee to share of any new program developments in the pipeline or best practices in terms of student recruitment. The School of Education reported that the fully-online TESOL program and Bilingual Extension have been approved by NYSED. In addition, the Leadership in Education program is now accepting early admission for their upcoming summer program. The Social Work Department is advertising to targeted audiences. They are interested in increasing their student cohorts but must adhere to faculty/student ratio of their accrediting body. In order to admit more students, they will need to hire an additional faculty member for the program. The Physical Therapy program echoed same enrollment limitations due to their accreditation. They intend on introducing a DPT/PhD program in the near future. The English program has seen an increase in their program enrollment. The best practices included answering email inquiries and allowing the students the option to teach at the undergraduate level.