

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**April 15, 2013**

The Graduate Council met at 11:30am in 129 Himes with the following members present: Byerly (ex officio), Chance, Day, Dow, Eades, Matthews, Nardo, Reeve (ex officio), Rose, and Zucker. Absent member were Culross, Euba, Kelso, Lemieux, McKillop, Meng, and Spivey.

**Minutes of March 19, 2013**

Minutes were approved for the March 19, 2013 meeting pending a few minor revisions. Matthews moved for approval, Nardo seconded, and the motion was carried.

**Dean's Report**

**SACS Update:** The new catalog will include references for SACS.

**PhD Minimum LSU Coursework:** The current guidelines indicate that three years beyond the master's degree is required for a doctoral degree. Three years is equivalent to 54 hours. One-third of the courses should be from LSU. Nardo motioned with the SACS standard that one-third of hours for the PhD must be earned at LSU. Day seconded and the motion was carried.

**Enrollment Management:** Admits should increase by 8%. Currently there is no way to track acceptance; however, Byerly will address this issue.

**Academic Affairs Report**

Reeve reported that the 3+2 BSIE/MBA degree is under review in Academic Affairs. The proposal will need to go to the Systems Office and Board of Regents. SACS will need to be notified.

The 3+2 programs require the student to be dually enrolled. Students in accelerated master's programs do not have to apply to the Graduate School. The student is not classified as a graduate student.

**Chairs Report**

No report.

**Routine Business**

No reports.

**Old Business**

**Computer Science Changes:** Byerly will discuss with the department clarity of the proposal. A list of required courses is needed, a timeline would be helpful, and the remainder of the proposal should be advisory. The proposal should be a template for degree requirements.

## **New Business**

**Certificate in Fisheries Science and Assessment:** an email ballot will be sent to the Graduate Council for a vote.

**Plus/Minus Grading:** Byerly will send something to the Graduate Council to review. The start date is fall 2014.

## **Executive Session**

### **Standing Committee Reports**

**Promotion and Tenure Committee:** No report.

**Graduate Faculty:** No report.

**Awards Committee:** No report.

The meeting adjourned.


Recorded by:



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Marie Hamilton, Assistant Dean

Approved by:



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Gary Byerly, Dean Graduate School