Minutes of the 1st meeting of
The Graduate Council
2012-2013

Date and Time:    Thursday, September 6, 2012
Place:        Room 313, Administration Building

Attendance:  Dr. Joe Aranha, Dr. Stephen Cook, Dr. Donna Davis, Dr. Janice Elliott,
Dr. Ann Hawkins, Dr. Ram Iyer, Dr. Priyantha Jayawickrama, Dr. Eileen
Johnson, Dr. Huazhong Shi, Dr. Sterling Shumway, Dr. Aliza Wong

Ex-officio: Mr. Florencio Aranda, Ms. Shelby Cearley, Ms. Earnstein Dukes,
Dr. Clifford Fedler, Dr. Ralph Ferguson, Dr. Peggy Miller

Visitors: Dr. Connie Anderson, Dr. David Hamilton, Dr. Caryl Heintz,
Dr. Kevin Mulligan, Dr. Peggy Price

I. The Graduate Council minutes are available in the Graduate School office and on the Graduate
School website at www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool.

II. A motion was made by Eileen Johnson and seconded by Ann Hawkins to approve the minutes
from the 9th meeting of the Graduate Council held on Thursday, June 28, 2012. The Graduate
Council approved these minutes.

III. Students admitted to Doctoral Candidacy.

The following students were admitted to candidacy for the doctorate on the recommendation of
their departments. A motion was made by Donna Davis and seconded by Aliza Wong. The
Graduate Council approved these candidates.

Roula Baalkini       Music
Sheng Bao            Computer Science
Fehmi Bardak        Chemistry & Biochemistry
Leia Barrett         Music
Dustin Barton        Educational Leadership
Catherine Blackwell  English
James-William Bragg  Electrical Engineering
Jaime Cantu          Industrial Engineering
Yi-Fang Chen  
Nutritional Sciences
Eric Collins  
Mechanical Engineering
Clay Craig  
Mass Communications
Annette Davis-Smith  
Curriculum & Instruction
Wenzhen Fan  
Mathematics
Sherice Gearhart  
Mass Communications
Chaowen Guo  
Chemistry & Biochemistry
Yugendra R Guvvala  
Computer Science
Ninghua Han  
Instructional Technology
Amanda Hinojosa  
Business Administration
Bradley Howard  
Mechanical Engineering
Yunli Hu  
Chemistry & Biochemistry
Douglas Kabell  
Counselor Education
Maria Kalyvaki  
Agricultural Communications & Education
Donald Kelm  
Agricultural Communications & Education
Dane Kiambi  
Mass Communications
Joleen Kremin  
Business Administration
Shirley Lail  
English
Jae Hwan Lee  
Business Administration
Junyoup Lee  
Chemistry & Biochemistry
Xue Lian-Jie  
Educational Leadership
Porter Lillian  
Mass Communications
Kelli Lyons  
Mathematics
Jie Ma  
Personal Financial Planning
Terrance Martin  
Spanish
Abraham Mata  
Agricultural Communications & Education
Tamra McGaughy  
Mass Communications
Patrick Merle  
Mechanical Engineering
Kunal Patil  
Higher Education
Bradley Petty  
Chemistry & Biochemistry
Austin Privett  
Agricultural Communications & Education
J. Derrick Ragland  
Personal Financial Planning
Laura Ricaldi  
Music
Camila Rivas  
Family and Consumer Sciences Education
Marie Roush  
Industrial Engineering
Maria Russi-Vigoya  
Civil Engineering
Bryan Schuetze  
Environmental Toxicology
Vinitkumar Singh  
Chemistry & Biochemistry
Ehwang Song  
Technical Communication and Rhetoric
Michael Trice  
English
Kellyanne Ure  
Educational Psychology
Matthew Vetterly  

Xiling Wang  
English
V. Academic Requests

The Graduate Council approved all of the following new course applications, course deletions, Graduate Certificate Proposals, and Program Proposals.

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

ECE 5354: Power Semiconductor Devices (3:3:0) *(Addition)*

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

Proposal for a Political Science BA/MPA

Master's Degree in Environmental Sustainability and Natural Resource Management

Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Science and Technology

GIST 5300: Geographic Information Systems (3:2:2:0) (change in prefix, contact hours, and description)

GIST 5302: Spatial Analysis and Modeling (3:2:2:0) (change in title, prefix, contact hours, and description)

GIST 5304: Advanced Geographic Information Systems (3:2:2:0) *(Addition)*

GIST 5308: Cartographic Design (3:2:2:0) *(Addition)*

GIST 5310: GPS Field Mapping and Data Acquisition (3:2:2:0) *(Addition)*

GIST 5312: Internet Mapping (3:2:2:0) *(Addition)*

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION:**

EDCI 5308: Improving Mentoring Practices (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

EDCI 5309: Mentoring Models for New Professionals (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

EDCI 5311: Mentorship (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

EDCI 5312: Collaborative Communities in Mentoring (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

EDCI 6392: Advanced Practicum in Mentoring (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

EDCI 6395: Advanced Seminar: Best Practices in Mentoring (3:0:0:3) *(Addition)*

VII. Announcements

Ms. Shelby Cearley provided the Graduate Council members a handout with the admissions numbers.

Dr. Miller announced that the Graduate School is currently working with Brazil on recruiting students. Dr. Aliza Wong also encouraged that the Graduate School look at recruiting from Spain, Greece, Italy and Europe, and Dr. Ram Iyer encouraged the Caribbean.

The Graduate School has developed a Strategic Plan and distributed to all the members.
Florenicio gave a brief a breakdown of the events that the GSAC (Graduate Student Advisory Council) has held up to this point and stated that every event has been a great success.

Dr. Miller announced that the GSAC had just completed hosting three Graduate Student orientations and they had a huge turn out and great participation.

The 2012 Arts and Humanities Graduate Student Research Conference will be in October.

The Graduate School will also be hosting a 2nd Family Night Out.

Dr. Miller distributed the new cups “Keep Calm and Research On” to all the Graduate Council members.

The next Graduate Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.