

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Zoom Meeting

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes - Meeting of September 23, 2020

III. Administrative report

a. Provost Retreat Working Group

a. Committee involvement

b. Admissions data

IV. Committee reports

a. Research

a. Reviewing Fisher Applications

b. Dawn...any updates?

b. Membership/Student Development

a. Review of Student Awards

b. Kyle...any updates?

c. Graduate faculty membership report

c. Curriculum

a. Committee Report

b. Kristin...any updates?

V. Old business

a. Program GPA vs Cumulative GPA

Certificate language: In order to be awarded the certificate, a student must have a minimum graduate GPA of 3.0 in the set of courses required for the certificate.

Good Standing: A student must remain in good standing during the entire enrollment in graduate studies at the University. Good standing includes maintaining a **minimum 3.0 cumulative program graduate GPA**, satisfying any program-specific requirements for good standing, and making satisfactory progress to degree. Students who fail to meet this requirement will either be dismissed from graduate studies or placed on academic probation by the Graduate School.

b. Full-Time Equivalency 499/599

- a. 1 credit hour per semester after program requirements met
- b. Up to 8 semesters (not beyond 6 years/8 years of time limitation)

If a student has completed the maximum requirement of thesis/dissertation hours for the program, but more time is needed, a student may register for 1 credit of thesis or dissertation, if engaged, at a level equivalent to full-time study. You may enroll up to eight (8) semesters of 1 credit thesis/dissertation at full-time equivalency. If longer time is needed, a student may continue to enroll in 1 hour of thesis/dissertation, but will be reported as part-time status, which has financial aid implications, such as loan repayment.

c. New Start

Students who leave an Illinois State graduate degree program and return to Illinois State to pursue a different graduate degree may begin the new ~~may begin the same or new~~ degree program with a new graduate GPA calculated from the point of their readmission to the Graduate School as long as (1) the student is admissible to the new graduate program at Illinois State and meets all the criteria established by the Graduate School; (2) the student has not enrolled at Illinois State University for a period of at least three years; and (3) the New Start provision is approved by the new department or school at the time of readmission.

~~Graduate courses taken prior to being readmitted~~ Students may transfer up to 9 credit hours from another university or previous ISU coursework if they meet the requirements outlined on the Transfer of Credit form. ~~to the Graduate School will not apply or count for the new degree.~~ Students may exercise the “New Start” option only once and must follow the re-entry catalog. Such students will have “New Start” indicated on their transcript.

VI. New business

a. Undergraduate taking Graduate Coursework

Undergraduates can take graduate courses for graduate credit if they (1) are in their final semester their junior or senior year, and (2) have a cumulative GPA of a 2.8 or higher. ~~no more than twelve hours of undergraduate coursework to complete, and (3) have been admitted conditionally into a graduate degree program at Illinois State.~~ Total registration cannot exceed fifteen hours in that semester. ~~Students must graduate at the end of that academic term to receive graduate credit for the courses taken. An exception is made when students must schedule professional practice/internship/student teaching requirements during their final semester. In such cases, qualified students may register for graduate courses during the academic term preceding the semester in which the professional practice/internship/student teaching requirements are met.~~ Graduate course work will not be calculated in the undergraduate GPA and the transcript will indicate that 0 hours were earned. There is no guarantee that graduate courses taken will be accepted by another University as transfer credit.

All coursework taken for graduate credit must be approved by the department or school and the Graduate School BEFORE students register. A form titled, “Approval for Graduate Credit for Senior Admitted to a Graduate Major” “Undergraduate taking

Graduate Credit” is available electronically in My.IllinoisState to be completed for approval.

Up to 12 hours of coursework will count toward an ISU graduate degree program only and has a limit of 6 years to be used. ~~if a student qualifies under the above criteria.~~ Coursework taken for graduate credit cannot count toward a bachelor's degree except under the provisions of integrated bachelor's/master's degree and accelerated master's degree programs. This opportunity is also extended to ~~last semester seniors of~~ other universities who find it possible to take graduate work at this University while completing requirements for the bachelor's degree on their own campuses. Interested students should write to the Graduate School for further information. Such graduate courses cannot be used in meeting bachelor's degree requirements on their own campuses.

VII. Resources to share

- a. <https://adobetextbook.myportfolio.com/>
- b. <https://docs.illinoisstate.edu/service-catalog/a-z-catalog>

VIII. Adjournment