

College of Arts and Sciences  
Graduate Faculty Committee Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2025

4:00 pm

Kinard 018

- I. Welcome & Introduction of Officers – Julie Orme
  - a. Meeting called to order at 3:34pm.
- II. Approval of meeting minutes from September 12, 2025 – [Appendix A](#)
  - a. There were no changes or corrections to the September 12, 2025, minutes, minutes were approved unanimously. (See Attached).
- III. Curriculum Proposals or Modifications -Appendix B
  - a. Elective Courses – (Appendix B) – Undergraduate and Graduate courses were reviewed
  - b. HSCI 500 and HSCI 6501 – new designator of courses approved, no opposition
  - c. PSYCH 613–courses renamed to reflect curriculum and course modifications
    - i. Changed approved, no opposition
  - d. PSYCH 670 – changed to reflect course credit range from ½ credit to 3 credit course to include offering a 1-day workshop to continue professional development for school psychology
- IV. Old Business
  - a. None
- V. New Business
  - a. None, No Announcements
- VI. Graduate Director’s Remarks — Dr. Gregory Oakes remarks
  - a. Kudos
  - b. Reviewed graduate programs across the institution with lower enrollment, after consideration with Biology department faculty, consultation with the Dean and Provost, it

was decided to sunset Biology MS program. Last course will be instructed Fall 2027.

Biology faculty were recognized for putting out great scholars.

- c. Dr. Anthony Hill, Social Work Department Chair, was recognized as Transfer Champion for his work in assisting Limestone students. Ashley Garrick, Associate Practicum Director, was also recognized for support of Limestone transfer students.
- d. Social Work: Dr. Julie Orme was recognized as NASW Educator of the Year and Lavonia Graham, MSW candidate, was recognized as NASW MSW Student of the Year.
- e. School Psychology: First year cohort attended the South Carolina School Psychology conference at Francis Marion University
  - 1. Dr. Karen Monahan and Dr. Giancarlo Anselmo were recognized for writing papers
- f. Congratulations to Wren Miller on presenting at the Victorian Institutes Conference at Furman University
- g. Dr. Leslie Bickford, Jzurnee Myers, Maddie Neff and Cody Bydic on presenting at the Toni Morrison: Literature and Public Life event at Cornell University.
- h. Kudos to Winthrop dietetic interns who attended the Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo in Nashville, TN with Dr. Jesse Hoffman.
  - 1. Dr. Hoffman – President-Elect of the SC Academy of Nutrition and Deictics.
- i. Meeting adjourned at 3:43pm

## Appendix A

### College of Arts and Sciences Graduate Faculty Committee Minutes

September 12, 2025

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- I. Welcome & Introduction of Officers – Julie Orme
  - a. Meeting called to order at 2:59pm. Dr. Jennifer Schafer sat in place of Dr. Evan Dewey as parliamentarian.
- II. Approval of meeting minutes from August 19, 2025 – Appendix A
  - a. There were no changes or corrections to the August 19, 2025, minutes, minutes were approved unanimously. (See Attached).
- III. Curriculum Proposals or Modifications if any
  - a. Prerequisite changes to Nutrition courses -607, 611, 620, 621 and 624 were presented. All were in favor, no opposition.
  - b. Prerequisite changes for Writing courses – 501, 502, 510, 511, title and prerequisite change for 566 were presented. All were in favor, no opposition.
- IV. Old Business
  - a. None
  - b. It was raised that we might need to review the presentation slide on nominations. Dr. Jo Kostner and Dr. Greg Oakes clarified that we did not need to review nominations as divisions with 5 or more faculty members elect graduate council.
- V. New Business
  - a. None
- VI. Graduate Director's Remarks — Dr. Gregory Oakes remarks
  - a. Dr. Oakes had no additional comments and shared a program photo to recognize the Spring 2025 class in the Dietetic Internship program.
  - b. Meeting adjourned at 3:03pm

## Appendix B

### Course Modifications & New Courses

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| HSCI500 Contemporary Health Problems   | New Course  |
| HSCI501 Substance Abuse                | New Course  |
| PSYC613 Adv Statistics & Methods       | Edit Course |
| PSYC670 Continue Profess Dev School Ps | Edit Course |