

**GRADUATE COUNCIL  
Winthrop University  
Tuesday, March 11, 2025  
Tillman 308**

Members present: Dustin Hoffman, Tim Druke, Kimarie Whetstone, Stephanie Sutton, Gina Jones, Jessie Hoffman, Greg Oakes, Sydney Morfin, Cody Walters, Li Ai, Anna Boddicker, Sherry Hoyle, Philip Gibson, Charles Randle, Tracy Patterson, Jennifer Dixon-McKnight, Lisa Harris, Chris Ward, and Gabby Jacobsen

I. Announcements

- II. Approval of minutes January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025. See the link below for minutes:  
<https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-council-minutes.aspx>  
*Motion to approve: SS (Stephanie Sutton). Second: JH (Jessie Hoffman).*

III. Report from the Graduate School Dean

*Enrollment:*

*The final spring 2025 is 766, up 2.6% from final spring 2024.*

*Recruiting events:*

*Grad 101 had standing room attendance with over 39 (that was all that was able to sign-in). This number is flat with attendance last year.*

*Grad School Open House had over 60, which is 12 more than last year. They were current undergrads, recently admitted students and family, students from grad fairs at other schools, and a few fully external.*

*Announcements:*

*Please continue to promote Graduate Student Appreciation Week, April 7-13<sup>th</sup>:*

*<https://www.winthrop.edu/sgco/graduatestudies/graduate-education-week.aspx>*

*Scholarship applications close March 15<sup>th</sup>.*

*The GA working group has been convening in order to develop a strategic and sustainable model for GAs to launch fall 2026.*

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

VI. Curriculum Action

*600 level does not require a vote.*

**Curriculum Changes Requiring a Vote:**

**1. Edit Program: MAT Traditional**

*Motion to approve: SH (Sherry Hoyle). Second: SS. Approved by acclimation.*

**2. Edit Program: MS in Accounting and Analytics**

*Motion to approve: SS. Second: JH. Approved by acclimation.*

3. **New Program: MBA in Business Admin-FinPlan**  
*Motion to approve: SH. Second: CR (Charles Randle). Approved by acclimation.*
4. **Edit Course: ACCT 502**  
*Motion to approve: SS. Second: AB (Anna Boddicker). Approved by acclimation.*
5. **Edit Course: ACCT 510**
6. **Edit Course: MUST 592**  
*Motion to approve: CR. Second: SS. Approved by acclimation.*
7. **New Course: ACCT 600**
8. **Edit Course: ACCT 602**
9. **Edit Course: ACCT 610**
10. **Edit Course: ARTS 636**
11. **Edit Course: ARTS 653**
12. **Edit Course: ARTS 655**
13. **Edit Course: ECED 631**
14. **Edit Course: ECED 636**
15. **Edit Course: ECED 638**
16. **Edit Course: ECED 643**
17. **Edit Course: ECED 660**
18. **New Course: EDCI 591**  
*Motion to approve: SS. Second CR. Approved by acclimation.*
19. **Edit Course: EDCI 635**
20. **Edit Course: EDCI 636**
21. **Edit Course: EDCI 637**
22. **Edit Course: EDCI 681**
23. **New Course: EDCI 683**
24. **Edit Course: EDCI 695**
25. **Edit Course: EDUC 604**
26. **Edit Course: EDUC 620**
27. **Edit Course: EDUC 640**
28. **Edit Course: EDUC 657**
29. **Edit Course: EDUC 658**
30. **Edit Course: EDUC 670**
31. **Edit Course: EDUC 681**
32. **Edit Course: EDUC 695**
33. **Edit Course: ELEM 631**
34. **Edit Course: ELEM 636**
35. **Edit Course: ELEM 641**
36. **Edit Course: FINC 515**
37. **New Course: FINC 520**  
*Motion to approve: SH. Second SS. Approved by acclimation.*
38. **Edit Course: READ 600**

39. **Edit Course:** READ 651

40. **New Course:** SPFA 647

41. **New Course:** SPFA 693

42. **New program:** MBA in Business Admin-Healthcare Mgmt

*Amend to fall 2025.*

*Motion to approve: CR. Second: SS. Approved by acclimation.*

43. **Edit course:** MUST 591

*Motion to approve: SS. Second: AB. Approved by acclimation.*

VII. Graduate Petitions: None

VIII. Adjournment

*Motion: CR. Second: DH (Dustin Hoffman).*

### **2024-2025 Meeting Dates**

September 10, Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.: Tillman 308

October 25, Friday, 2:00 p.m.: Tillman 308

December 3, Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.: Tillman 308

January 24, Friday, 1:00 p.m.: Tillman 308

March 11, Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.: Tillman 308

April 15, Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.: Tillman 308

### **Graduate Faculty Assembly and Graduate Council Website:**

<https://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool/graduate-faculty-governance.aspx>

### **CourseDog**

<https://app.coursedog.com/#/login>

<b>2024-2025 Committee</b>			
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Sherry Hoyle, COE	<a href="mailto:hoyles@winthrop.edu">hoyles@winthrop.edu</a>	Elected (COE)	2027
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