

# COUNCIL ON GRADUATE STUDIES

## Meeting Agenda

September 17, 2024

### 1. Minutes

- a. Approval of the September 3, 2024 meeting minutes

### 2. Communication

- a. EA-CLAS-25-08 Update the course description for BIO 4814 (Conservation Biology)
- b. EA-CLAS-25-09 Add CSM 1000 as a prerequisite option for MAT 5150
- c. EA-CLAS-25-10 Change the credit format of BIO 4956 (Mammalogy)
- d. EA-CHHS-25-11 Change program name of MS in Sports Administration to MS in Sport Administration
- e. EA-CHHS-25-12 Eliminate the restrictions from the courses HSL 4850 and HSL 4859

### 3. Items to be Added to the Agenda

- a. None

### 4. Items to be Acted Upon

- a. **25-01** IGP 46 Revision I, DC, X grade in Second Master's Degree Programs
- b. **25-02** IGP 47 Graduate Faculty Membership Revision

### 5. Items Pending

- a. None

### 6. Other

### 7. Committee Reports

- a. Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC)
- b. Booth Collaborative Advisory Committee
- c. Textbook Rental Advisory

### 8. Dean's Report

- a. None

## Council on Graduate Studies Minutes September 3, 2024

The September 3, 2024 hybrid meeting of the Council on Graduate Studies met in 3108 Blair Hall at 2:00 pm.

**Members Present:** Dr. Alexis Jones, Dr. Nichole Hugo, Dr. Maranda Schaljo, Dr. Elizabeth Gill, Dr. Wesley Allan, Dr. Chris Laingen, Dr. Candra Chahyadi, Ms. Carrie Wennerdahl

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Interim Dean Dr. Robert Chesnut, Ms. Myra Taylor, Ms. Lana Beasley, Christobal Dominguez

**Guests Present:** Dr. Julie Dietz

### 1. Minutes

The minutes of the April 23, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Hearing no changes or objections, the minutes stand as written.

### 1. Communication

a. **Introduction of new members:** Members of the Council introduced themselves. New members for AY 2024-2025 are Dr. Schaljo, Dr. Gill, Dr Chahyadi and Ms. Wennerdahl.

b. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

At the conclusion of AY 2023-2024, the Council on Graduate Studies proposed Dr. Alexis Jones as Chair. As no official vote was held, Dr. Jones was considered Chair-Elect. Motion made by Dr. Gill to approve Dr. Jones as Chair. Motion seconded by Dr. Laingen. Roll call vote held. Motion approved. (8-0-0) Motion carried.

Dr. Gill was offered and accepted the position of Vice Chair.

c. **EA-CHHS-25-01 Nutrition & Dietetics Catalog Wording Revision**

Dr. Julie Dietz advised the group the proposed changes were due to the terminology required by Nutrition & Dietetics accrediting body. Dr. Dietz noted she had not corrected a typo in her submission. She requested the word "hours" be added in the fifth line after the number "1000."

d. **EA-COE-25-02 Higher Ed & Community College Accelerated Program Course Listing Correction**

e. **EA-GRAD-25-03 Revision to Accelerated Program Grading Policy**

f. **EA-GRAD-25-04 Revision to Graduate-Level Transfer Credit Restrictions Policy**

g. **EA-CHHS-25-05 Revision to KSR 4764 & 4765 Prerequisite Changes**

h. **EA-CHHS-25-06 Add enrollment restriction to KSR 5225**

i. **EA-GRAD-25-07 Catalog Language for Coordinated Program Requirements**

Motion to accept items a-i, with requested modification to EA-CHHS-25-01 made by Dr. Allan. Motion seconded by Dr. Gill. Motion approved unanimously by acclamation.

### 2. Items to be Added to the Agenda

a. **25-01** IGP 46 Revision I, DC, X grade in Second Master's Degree Programs

b. **25-02** IGP 47 Graduate Faculty Membership Revision

Motion to add agenda items 25-01 and 25-02 to the September 17, 2024 CGS meeting agenda made by Dr. Laingen. Motion seconded by Dr. Allen. Motion approved unanimously by acclamation.

### 3. Items to be Acted Upon: None

**4. Items Pending:** None

**5. Other:** None

**6. Committee Reports**

- a. Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC):** Ms. Taylor reported GSAC nominees from many programs have been received, and encouraged those programs who have not yet submitted nominees to do so. The first GSAC meeting will be on September 13, 2024, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola room of the MLK Union. The GSAC President, has shared many ideas to involve GSAC in cross-campus activities and is eager to begin meeting.
- b. Booth Collaborative Advisory Committee (BCAC):** No report
- c. Textbook Rental Advisory:** Dr. Schaljo agreed to act as representative to the Textbook Rental Advisory Committee.

**7. Dean's Report:**

- a.** Interim Dean Chesnut reminded everyone of the Graduate School Summit scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. in the West Reading Room of Booth Library.
- b.** Dr. Chesnut shared information regarding the new category of “Coordinated Program” in Graduate School programming. Dr. Chesnut stated the Coordinated Program is much like EIU Graduate School’s accelerated program. However, the Coordinated Program designation will be used when the program is making changes based on the advice and/or direction of that program’s accrediting body, such as in the Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program designation

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Dr. Laingen. Seconded by Dr. Gill. Meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.



## MEMORANDUM

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To: Alexis Jones, Chair, CGS  
Date: Sep 5, 2024  
RE: Executive Action taken by the CLAS Curriculum Committee

The following request was approved by executive action at the CLAS Curriculum Committee meeting on Sep 4, 2024. I ask that similar action be taken at the Council on Graduate Studies.

### **Request:**

Update the course description for BIO 4814 (Conservation Biology).

### **Rationale for change:**

The requested course description uses more modern terminology and concept description (e.g. ethics).

**Effective Year/Term:** Spring 2025

### **Requested Catalog Description:**

**BIO 4814 – Conservation Biology.** (3-0-3) ~~Study of the application of ecological and genetic principles to the preservation and conservation of biological diversity. Topics will include the demography and genetics of small populations, population viability, island biogeography, and the design of nature reserves.~~ This course explores the historical and ethical foundations of conservation biology, biodiversity and ecosystem services, threats to biodiversity, methods used to study conservation biology, and conservation behavior. **Prerequisites & Notes** BIO 3200 and 3800. Credits: 3



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**Requested Change:** Add CSM 1000 as a prerequisite option for MAT 5150.

**Rationale for Change:** When MAT 5150 was initially approved, CSM 2170 was the only introductory CS course offered by the department. Now, CSM 1000 is also an introductory CS course taken by students who may also wish to take MAT 5150. Both CSM 1000 and CSM 2170 provide the necessary CS background for MAT 5150 so either course is acceptable as a pre-requisite. The requirement for a C or better was added to ensure a sufficient understanding of the content from the courses.

**Effective Year/Term:** Fall 2025

**Proposed Catalog Listing:**

**MAT 5150** - Bayesian Statistics. (4-0-4) Introduction to the concepts of Bayesian statistics including Bayes' rule, prior and posterior distributions, conjugacy, Bayesian point estimates and intervals, Markov Chain Monte Carlo, and hierarchical models. **Prerequisites & Notes:** C or better in CSM 2170 or CSM 1000, and C or better MAT 3701. Credits: 4



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### Request:

Change the credit format of BIO 4956 (Mammalogy) from 2-3-3 to 3-3-4 (one lecture hour added) and update the course description to be more specific about content.

### Rationale for change:

This course is a specialty of a new faculty member in our department who feels that the additional hour of lecture will allow for deeper course content and more peer discussions. Also, the current course description is very generic. The updated language is more specific.

**Effective Year/Term:** Spring 2025

### Current Catalog Description:

BIO 4956 - Mammalogy. (2-3-3) F. A study of mammals with emphasis on mammalian evolution, classification, distribution, physiology, natural history and ecology. Prerequisites & Notes: BIO 3180 or permission of the instructor. Credits: 3

### Requested Catalog Description:

BIO 4956 - Mammalogy. (~~2-3-3~~ 3-3-4) F. ~~A study of mammals with emphasis on mammalian evolution, classification, distribution, physiology, natural history and ecology.~~ Topics include evolution and biogeography, structure and function, adaptive radiation and diversity, behavior and ecology, and conservation of mammals. Students will work with the primary scientific literature and develop a working knowledge of the methodology used to study mammals. Prerequisites & Notes: BIO 3180 or permission of the instructor. Credits: ~~3~~ 4



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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Council on Graduate Studies

**FROM:** Dr. John R. Storsved, Dean

**SUBJECT:** Executive Action

**DATE:** September 12, 2024

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Fall 2025

**REQUEST:** Change the program name of MS in Sports Administration to MS in Sport Administration. *See attached.*

**Eastern Illinois University**  
**Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation Department**

To: John Storsved, Dean, College of Health and Human Services

From: Mark Kattenbraker, Chair, Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation

Date: September 12, 2024

Re: Executive Action Request

Effective Date: Fall 2025

**Action requested:**

Change the program name of MS in **Sports** Administration to MS in **Sport** Administration. (dropping the s in Sports)

**Current catalog language:**

Sports Administration

**Rationale**

The graduate faculty have discussed and agreed, renaming the program is more consistent with the current BS in Sport & Recreation Management.



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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Council on Academic Affairs  
Council on Graduate Studies

**FROM:** Dr. John R. Storsved, Dean

**SUBJECT:** Executive Action

**DATE:** September 12, 2024

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Spring 2025

**REQUEST:** Eliminate the restrictions from the courses HSL 4850 and HSL 4859. *See attached.*

**Eastern Illinois University  
Department of Human Services  
Executive Action Request**

**Date:** 9/9/24

**To:** Dr. John Storsved, Dean of the College of Health & Human Services

**Cc:** Karen Swenson, Political Science Department Chair

**From:** Jill Bowers, Department Chair  
Human Services

**Effective Date:** Spring 2025

The Department of Human Services request that major restrictions be eliminated from HSL 4850 and HSL 4859. These are two of three courses that the Political Science Department would like to add to their list of electives for their newly revised, interdisciplinary Civic and Non-profit Leadership minor. We would like for their students to be included in our courses without barrier.

Therefore, both courses will no longer be restricted to students in the following areas:

- Aging Studies
- Human Services
- Human Services Program Adm.
- Long Term Care Administration
- Aging Studies
- CTE: FCS Education
- Human Services
- FCS: Family Services
- Human Services
- Human Services Program Adm.

The catalog copy for the course descriptions should be revised as follows.

**Catalog Copy with Revisions**

(deletions shown in red with strikethrough)

**HSL 4850 - Human Services Programs: Community, Culture, and Intersectionality.**

(3-0-3) On Demand. Exploration of the role of culture in human services programs. ~~Prerequisites & Notes: This course is reserved for students in the Department of Human Services, Health Sciences, and Career and Technical Education.~~ Credits: 3

**HSL 4859 - Administration of Human Services Programming.**

(3-0-3). Examination of the roles, responsibilities, and professional practice of administration and leadership in relation to human services organizations, program development and implementation, facility and operational management, licensing, and family/community interface.

Observation required. **Prerequisites & Notes:** ~~This course is reserved for students in the Department of Human Services and Career and Technical Education.~~ Credit will not be granted for both HSL 4859 and FCS 4859. Credits: 3