MINUTES
West Virginia University Graduate Council Meeting
Thursday ~ August 25, 2016
Cathedral Room - Mountainlair

ATTENDEES
Mary Ellen Koay, Robert Brock, Louis Slimak, Elaine Eschen, Steve Urbanski, Eugenia Pena-Yewtukhiw, Michelle Sandrey, Adam Komisaruk, Evan MacCarthy, Jerry Blakely, Megan Dillow, Victor, Mucino, Grazyna Szklarz, Daniel Panaccione, Jessica Dehsler, Constinia Charbonette

INTRODUCTIONS & SELECTION OF GRADUATE COUNCIL CHAIR
Eugenia Pena-Yewtukhiw was elected as Council chair for 2016-2017 by majority vote.

NEW BUSINESS AND AGENDA ITEMS

Review Minutes from the April 2016 Council Meeting

Motion was made to approve minutes without changes.

Motion approved.

Introduction to service as a Council Member, updates to Curriculum Matrix and Graduate Council information provided by Associate Provost Katherine Karraker

Area of Emphasis

PharmD – AoE in Global Health (Key-721) The area of emphasis program in global health trains students to be able to provide patient-centered care at home and abroad. Its focus is on providing both didactic and experiential education that will allow students to have an understanding and an appreciation for the global nature of healthcare and how pharmacy practice can impact individuals worldwide. More information can be found on the School's webpage at http://pharmacy.hsc.wvu.edu/student-services/description-of-the-professional-program/areas-of-emphasis/certificate-program/.

Motion was made to approve the Area of Emphasis.

Motion approved (with abstentions).
Intent to Plan:

PhD Learning Sciences (Key-694) Learning Sciences can be defined as an interdisciplinary field that works to further scientific understanding of learning as well as to engage in the design and implementation of learning innovations, and the improvement of instructional methodologies. Learning Sciences as a field has grown out of educational psychology in interaction with cognitive science, instructional design, and human development. The Department of Learning Science and Human development is uniquely positioned to offer learning sciences degrees with its overlapping programs in educational psychology, instructional design and technology, and child/human development and family studies. Nationally, doctoral program in Learning Sciences are almost exclusively PhD programs (rather than EdDs). Prominent programs tend to focus on the intersection of learning, technology, and development.

*Motion was made to approve Intent to Plan.*

*Motion was approved.*

Additional Business

Lou Slimak – Discussed university efforts to streamline assessments processes.

*Motion to adjourn meeting*

*Motion approved*