

**Georgia Institute of Technology**  
**Graduate Curriculum Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**January 22, 2009**

**Present:** Storici (BIOL), French (ARCH), Parker (ISyE), Peponis (ARCH), Pikowsky (REG), Murray (LCC), Singhal (COM)

**Visitors:** Thomas-Mobley (COM), Laros (REG), Howson (REG), Jones (REG), Senft (REG), Whiteman (ME)

**Note:** All action items in these minutes require approval by the Academic Senate. In some instances, items may require further approval by the Board of Regents or the University System of Georgia. If the Regents' approval is required, the change is not official until notification is received from the Board to that effect. Academic units should take no action on these items until USG and/or BOR approval is secured. In addition, units should take no action on any of the items below until these minutes have been approved by the Academic Senate or the Executive Board.

1. There were no minutes to approve. All previous minutes were approved via email.
2. A motion was made to approve the recommendations from the Petitions Subcommittee for petitions in the following areas. The motion was seconded and approved.
  - 1 – Add 3 hours to ID7000 in the Fall 2008 Semester (Approved)
  - 1 – Return Spring 2009 after withdrawing Fall 2008 (Approved)
  - 1- Waiver of the 7-year rule (Approved)
  - 3 – Selective Withdrawals (Approved)
  - 1 – 1-hour registration limit overload (Approved)
  - 1- Change from P/F to letter grade (Approved)
  - 1 – Waiver of cross-registration rule for Spring 2009 (Approved)
3. A motion was made to approve a request from a student for admission to graduate standing without the equivalent of a Bachelor's degree. The motion was second and approved.
4. A motion was made to deny a petition requesting withdrawal from the Fall 2008 Semester. The motion was seconded and approved. A second motion was made to pre-approve readmission on an academic contract (first drop). The motion was seconded and approved.
5. A motion was made to deny a petition requesting a selective withdrawal from a class taken in Fall 2006. The motion was seconded and approved.
6. A motion was made to approve a petition requesting withdrawal from the Spring 2007 term. The motion was seconded and approved.

7. A motion was made to table a petition requesting permission to double-count 6 hours from his undergraduate with a 3.48 instead of 3.5 (Graduate Course Option). He also requested to use 15 hours of "unused" from Bachelor's when the limit was 12. The motion was seconded and approved. Note: The advisor from the major school will attend the next meeting to provide more information. On further review of the record, it seems that all 21 hours taken during his BS were unused. So this means the petition is not focused on the need to request the Graduate Course Option a 3.48, but rather on the need to request 21 hours of unused course work instead of 12 hours unused course work.
8. A motion was made to approve a request from the Building Construction Program for new courses. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **NEW COURSES**

BC 6375 Trends & Policies for Residential Development 3-0-3

BC 6275 Community Design & Construction 3-0-3

BC 6930 Integrated Design, Construction, and Development 3-0-3

Note: Word "course" removed from title and reference to Atlantic Station removed from description. New description reads: A study of contemporary examples of an integrated approach to design, construction and development. Course involves real-world project analysis from multiple points of view.

9. A motion was made to approve a request from the City and Regional Planning Program for new courses. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **NEW COURSES**

CP Community Development 3-0-3

Note: Approved for all grade modes and graduate standing or consent of instructor added as prerequisites.

CP 6542 Transport and GIS 3-0-3

Note: Approved for all grade modes and graduate standing or consent of instructor added as prerequisites.

CP 6213 Urban Environmental Planning and Design 3-0-3

Note: Approved for all grade modes and graduate standing or consent of instructor added as prerequisites.

10. A motion was made to table a request from the Building Construction Program for prerequisite changes. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Prerequisite Changes**

BC 6400, add prerequisite of BC 6025

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11. The Chair noted that there are several administrative items that will be taken up for discussion at upcoming meetings. It was also requested of Graduate Admissions and the Registrar's Office that the guidelines for admission without an undergraduate degree be posted in a conspicuous place on the web site. Future administrative topics for discussion include:

- Graduate degrees allowing 1000, 2000, and 3000-level courses
- Redefining 4000-level courses to be both UG and GRAD
- Differentiating between thesis and non-thesis students
- Graduate students pursuing a second UG degree
- BS/MS programs

Adjourned,

Reta Pikowsky