Georgia Institute of Technology  
Graduate Curriculum Committee  
Minutes  
June 7, 2012

Present: Clarke (COM), Pikowsky (Registrar), Singhal (MGT), Dickson (CHEM)

Visitors: Laros (REG), Simon (REG), Tittle (ECON)

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.

Note: A quorum was not present. The committee members present decided to act on the agenda items one at a time to determine if they were clear enough and well-documented enough to warrant a recommendation to the larger group. The full Committee was asked via email on June 12 to vote on the acceptance of the recommendations made by those in attendance at the June 7 meeting. The full Committee voted in favor of doing so and the official Minutes were submitted for a formal vote via email and approved by a formal email ballot on June 13.

Academic Matters

1. A motion was made to approve a request by the School of Economics for a degree modification. The motion was seconded and approved.

   Note: This action mostly amounted to clarifying and correcting language in the Catalog and as such does not constitute a true change in the program.

   Note: A discrepancy was discovered after the vote. This issue will be brought back to the next meeting to ensure that the requirements are in full compliance with other general requirements in the Catalog.

Degree Modification: (approved)  
Master of Science with a major in Economics

The School of Economics began an internal review of previous catalogs and the Institute Curriculum Committee minutes to ensure the School of Economics is in full compliance with approved curriculum. It was discovered that the School of Economics had erred by including advisors’ recommendations in the catalog as required curriculum without approval of either the School of Economics’ faculty or the Institute Curriculum Committee. In other words, curricular requirements in the Catalog were edited without approval by the Graduate Committee and other appropriate bodies. No-one caught the discrepancies so they perpetuated. We are making corrections to reflect how the program should appear in the Catalog as approved by the appropriate bodies.
The documentation from the August 27, 1998 minutes verifies the MS-ECON degree as requiring 30 hours credit for the degree, but later catalogs listed the degree as requiring 33 to 36 hours total.

The School of Economics has re-evaluated the curriculum and requests that the curriculum consist of the 30 hours as originally approved for Semester conversion. The details of the approved curriculum are listed below for each option in this degree program (Thesis Option, Internship Option, and Course Option).

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*Minimum course credit hours at 6000 to 9000 level: 21

Within those 30 hours, at least 24 hours must be in courses addressing the subject of economics. The student must obtain approval of the School of Economics to apply any course outside of the 15 hours of courses required to be taught by the School of Economics.
2. A motion was made to approve a request by the College of Management for two new courses and a course modification. The motion was seconded and approved.

**New Courses: (approved)**
MGT 6116 The Role of Gender, Race and Ethnicity in Organizational Behavior 3-0-3
MGT 6451 Business Intelligence & Analytics 3-0-3

These two MBA electives to our selection of courses represent the changing business environment and our goals to educate our students about cutting-edge technology and about corporate diversity issues.

**Course modification: (approved)**
Use MGT 6450 instead of MGT 6201 for number of new course.

On January 19, MGT 6201 Project Management was approved as a new MBA elective in the College of Management. After discussions with the faculty in the ITM area, we realized there were more available course numbers in the 645X sequence. Consequently, the College requests that MGT 6201 be changed to MGT 6450. MGT 6201 has not been taught and for consistency in numbering we would prefer to use MGT 6450 as the number for this new course. Using MGT 6450 for Project Management will make this course fall better in line with our newly proposed MGT 6451.

**Administrative Matters**

1. Inventory of Graduate Certificates and Guidelines for Graduate Certificates

The Registrar’s Office will take an inventory of all Graduate Certificates so that they can be listed in the *Catalog*, which is required by the Guidelines document and which will allow us to make sure that our information is consistent with the USG DMA list.


Although, Item 12 on the guidelines page requires only that we list the certificates “at least by title” under the appropriate academic unit(s), the Registrar’s Office will create a template form similar to the minor forms in the catalog and work with schools to use it so that we have consistent information for the *Catalog* in the future.

A recommendation was made for the Registrar’s Office to also survey the Schools and Colleges as to how many certificates they have awarded to date. Committee members agreed that this would be useful information.

The Registrar’s Office will proceed accordingly and will report back to the Committee on its progress.
Student Petitions

1. A motion was made to approve the actions of the Petitions Subcommittee on petitions in the following areas. The motion was seconded and approved.

The following Petitions were reviewed by the Graduate Petition Subcommittee. (All approved except where noted)

12- Selective withdrawal (7 Denied)
1- Drop below 12-hours with assistantship
1- Readmit after second drop (1 Denied)
1- Remove W from transcript (1 Denied)
4- Term withdrawal (1 Denied)
1- Change registration from one to three hours
1- Be allowed to register for one hour of CHEM 9000
1- Be allowed to change major
1- Selectively withdraw without a “W” (1 Denied)

The following petitions were reviewed administratively by the Registrar’s office. (All approved except where noted)

14 -Full Graduate Standing
1 –Remove course from MS degree petition
2 –Use MSE9000 at MSE7000 for MS degree requirement
2 –Count courses taken in special status toward degree
9 –Allow credit for MUSI6203 to count twice
1 –Permission for Dual Degree
1 –Readmit after first drop (1 Denied)
3- Register late for Summer 2012

Adjourned,

Reta Pikowsky
Registrar