# Graduate Council Meeting Minutes October 20, 2010

Present: Tayebi, Ashorn, Bilhartz, Cook, Lane, Lesesne, Nichter, Vaughn, Waggener

Dr. Tayebi welcomed Dr. Lesesne and Dr. Lane as new members of the Graduate Council. Dr. Lesesne represents COE (Library Science) and Dr. Lane represents COAS (Music).

I. Changes to the GRE

Justin Fuller from Graduate Studies presented GRE changes information to the Council.

## Following are the changes:

- Revised GRE begins August 1, 2011
- Revised test has new content in Verbal and Quantitative sections.
- Verbal: no more analogies or antonyms and more questions that require higher-level thinking.
- Quantitative: more data interpretation and real-life scenarios, multiple choice with more than one correct answer, text boxes that require numerical input.
- Analytical writing: more focused, specific responses.
- Friendlier design: Test taker may skip and "tag" questions to return to later, ability to change/edit answers within a section, on-screen calculator in Quantitative section.
- There are more (shorter) sections: 1 writing, 2 verbal, 2 quantitative.

For the first couple of months, the test scores will be delayed.

- If you take the test in August or September of 2011, you will get the scores reported by mid-November.
- If you need scores <u>before</u> November, you should take the current test before August 2011.
- Testing in December? Scores will resume normal reporting times (10-15 days)

#### The scale is changing.

- Verbal Reasoning scores will be reported on a new 130-170 score scale, in 1-point increments (versus 200-800 in 10-point increments).
- Quantitative Reasoning scores will be reported on a new 130-170 score scale, in 1-point increments (versus 200-800 in 10-point increments).

Analytical Writing scores will continue to be reported on the same 0-6 score level, in half-point increments.

## II Graduate Faculty Recommendations

Per the Graduate Faculty Status Policy, the Council reviewed and made graduate faculty status recommendations for nominations.

# III Miscellaneous

Council was asked to think about items to discuss at future Graduate Council meetings.