Graduate Council Meeting
Minutes
June 1, 2009

Present: Muehsam, Abshire, Boccaccini, Cook, Reed, Tayebi, Vaughn

I. Approve Minutes
The Graduate Council minutes from May 11, 2009 were approved.

II. Review Policies
The majority of the meeting was spent on reviewing academic policies. The Council confirmed recommendations made to take forward to the Council of Academic Deans for approval. A statement will be added to the Grade Degree Transfer Request form stating that if there is a request for a course to be transferred in that is more than 6 years old, justification must be provided.

III. Grade for Thesis and Dissertation Courses
Recommendation was made that the grade options for thesis/dissertations courses be changed from letter grades (i.e., A, B, C, F) to credit/no credit (CR, NC). A grade of NC will be treated in the same fashion as a grade of C. The faculty will still have the option of indicating incomplete (X) or in-progress (IP).

IV. Review Graduate Faculty Status Recommendations
In the future, recommendation forms and vitas for graduate faculty status will be made available to the Council ahead of time on the “T” drive for early review.