MINUTES
GRADUATE BOARD
September 10, 2018

PRESENT: M. Bohlen, C. Creech, M. Deibis, S. Drummond Lewis, M. Finney, T. Hemphill, S. Selig, M. Straham (student), S. Turner (Interim Associate Provost), J. Witt

ABSENT: None

1. T. Hemphill agreed to be chairperson for the Fall 18 term, and M. Finney agreed to be chairperson for Winter 19 term. S. Selig will serve as backup during the Winter 19 term as needed.

2. The Graduate Board discussed the Graduate Program Review Schedule for 2018-19.

3. Graduate Transfer Exception Proposal
   - S. Turner provided background information regarding the proposal and potential students that could be impacted by it.
   - Discussion ensued about UM-Flint’s transfer policy for graduate students and if specific language in the proposal should be reviewed by the Office of General Counsel before a vote could occur.
     - S. Turner will contact Office of General Counsel for further guidance and to determine if other UM programs have taken similar action.
   - Board members asked that we revisit the transfer credit policy in the future to determine if it meets the needs of both master’s and doctoral students.

4. Proposal for SON Master’s to DNP in Executive Leadership
   - C. Creech provided background information regarding the proposal. The proposal is for a new 43 credit Master’s to DNP concentration in Executive Leadership. The program requires three years to complete and includes courses from the School of Nursing (SON) and School of Management (SOM). All courses are online except for SOM courses that require residency experiences. Students will earn a DNP in executive leadership and a post-graduate certificate in organizational leadership from SOM.
   - Prospective students must meet the following requirements to be eligible for admission:
     - BSN from an accredited college or university with average GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale
     - Current unencumbered RN license in US
     - Master’s degree with a 3.2/4.0 scale in one of these areas: Nursing, Nursing Administration, Nursing Education, Public Health, Business Administration, Public Administration, Health Care Administration, or related administrative or nursing field deemed acceptable to SON faculty
• 24 months of current mid-level administrative or higher position experience (nurse manager, supervisor, director, assistant director) or faculty position teaching graduate students nursing administration or nursing management or executive consultation position full-time in the last five years. Students will also have completed 30 hours of continuing education in nursing administration within the last three years.

  ▪ An EAB market analysis was included with the proposal.
  ▪ A plan is included that details how students can meet the required 1,000 hours of DNP training experiences and includes the completion of a Nurse Leader or Nurse Executive Certification.
  ▪ Two separate budgets were also included – one for SON and one for SOM.
  ▪ The Graduate Board was not ready to vote on the proposal and should bring additional questions or concerns back to the next meeting for future consideration.

5. Matters Arising

  ▪ There were no matters arising.

Next meeting: 9/24/18 @ 2:00pm in the Graduate Programs Conference Room