MINUTES Graduate Studies Committee April 4, 2012

Present: Dean Fayne; Professors Brown, DeSimone, Lebbon, Peloso, Smith Gabig; Ms. Worth, Director of Graduate Studies; and Guest: Professor Cutler

- Prof. DeSimone called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.
- The committee approved the minutes from the meeting of March 7, 2012.
- In the absence of a quorum, the committee agreed to send the following proposals to the senate for approval (pending suggested revisions):

Department of Speech-Language-Hearing-Sciences

- Changes to MA Program Speech-Language Pathology
- Course changes: SPE 719 and SPE 724

*Department of Middle and High School Education

- Changes to Trans B Program in Science Education
- Course changes: ESC 611, ESC 595, ESC 596 and ESC 797
- New course: ESC 798
- Changes to MSEd and Advanced Certificate Programs in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Changes to MSEd and Advanced Certificate Programs in English Education
- Changes to MA and Advanced Certificate Programs in Social Studies Education
- Changes to Advanced Certificate Program in Mathematics Education
- Changes to MSEd Program in Science Education
- Discontinuation of the Secondary and Adult Education: Business Programs
- *All of the above departmental proposals will only be sent to the senate pending the changes suggested by the committee.

Office of Graduate Studies

• Update of the following policy: "Grading System."

Department of Music

Experimental courses: MSP 765 and MSP 784
 The committee discussed their previous suggestion to the music department to create something similar to a "special topics" courses, which would alleviate the need to continue to create experimental courses so frequently each semester. Ms. Worth and Profs. Brown and DeSimone

all agreed to continue to follow up on this suggestion with the music department.

• The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

**Special Note

A proposal from the following department was reviewed, electronically, by the committee and was agreed upon to send on to the senate. There is potential funding, by the Graduate Center, to offer this course, so it must be approved before the start of the fall 2012 semester. Since time is a factor, the committee members reviewed the proposal via email (on April 20, 2012) and appropriate revisions were suggested to and made by the department.

Department of Earth, Environmental and Geospatial Sciences

• Experimental courses: GEP 662

Respectfully submitted,

Janet R. DeSimone, Chair