



# University of Pittsburgh

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**University Council on Graduate Study Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 12, 2022**  
**3:00-5:00 p.m.**  
**Zoom**

The minutes from the March 2022 meeting were approved (29 in favor).

### **Academic Planning Proposals**

#### **Proposal to terminate Educational Supervision, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction Certificate in the School of Education**

The School of Education proposes to terminate the Educational Supervision, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction Certificate. Due to low enrollments in the Certificate program in the last five years the SOE would like to make programmatic changes that reallocate the budget to essential programs that better align with our new mission/vision; thus, a decision was made to terminate the Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction certificate program. External influences are justifying this program termination as school districts are reallocating their scarce funds, especially in rural areas and small districts, away from school/district supervisors to other essential personnel. This phenomenon requires the SOE to look closely at programs that do not generate income and do not serve the local, regional, and national communities.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the proposal be approved. Members present voted in favor of recommending approval to the Provost (27 in favor and 1 abstention).

#### **Proposal to establish Practical Business Law Online Graduate Certificate in the School of Law**

The School of Law proposes to establish the Practical Business Law Online Graduate Certificate. The Certificate fills an important generalist niche by covering the basic areas of business law that are of the most value to those looking for additional legal education and knowledge, but do not want to seek a JD. This certificate will cover key foundational topics in business law and will enhance each student's ability to problem-solve and communicate effectively orally and in writing. Like other online Law Certificates, the Practical Business Law Online Graduate Certificate will consist of five 8-week long courses taught in order that cover areas such as business and tax law; technology and commercial law; litigation and dispute resolution; regulatory law; and human resources law.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the proposal be approved. Members present voted unanimously in favor of recommending approval to the Provost (28 in favor).

### **Discussion**

OTP- Graduate Studies Strategic Plan was presented by Dr. Godley.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM.

**Guests:**

Cassie Quigley – School of Education

Alan Meisel – School of Law

Haider Hamoudi – School of Law

**Attendance:**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Represented Area</b>
Behera	Rithika	School of Medicine
Brown	Bryan	Swanson School of Engineering
Burke	Jessica	Graduate School of Public Health
Campos Leite	Taiana	School of Dental Medicine
Chandrasekaran	Bharath	School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
Clift	Robert	Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences
Curran	Vivian	School of Law
Czekalski	Madelyn	School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
DeAngelo	Linda	School of Education
Fitzgerald	Kelley	School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
Galletta	Dennis	Katz Graduate School of Business
Godley	Amanda	Office of the Provost, Chairperson
Gunzenhauser	Michael	School of Education
Guth	Claire	Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Helm	Jonathan	Office of the Registrar, Observer
Horn	John	School of Medicine
Kreider	Madeline	School of Pharmacy
Krishnamurthy	Prashant	School of Computing and Information
Lee	Jung-Kun	Swanson School of Engineering
Luk	Kathryn	School of Social Work
Mars	Wendy	School of Medicine
Mischler	Shannon	Office of the Provost
Moeller	Sara	Katz Graduate School of Business
Palmer	Erica	Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Parker	Bob	Swanson School of Engineering
Pierce	Morgan	Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences
Roege	Pernille	Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences
Schein	Michelle	SEPC
Schlenk	Elizabeth	School of Nursing
Villarreal	Zeke	Swanson School of Engineering
Walker	Jennifer	Office of the Provost, Staff
Wankiiri-Hale	Christine	School of Dental Medicine
Woon	Jon	Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences
Youk	Ada	Graduate School of Public Health