

REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Graduate Council

MEETING DATE: Feb 16, 2024

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The Graduate Council met on Feb 16, 2024, to review the following items:

- Proposal: Substantial Changes to the MS in Nursing. Dr. Connie Miller, Clinical Professor and Chair of Nursing and Health Education, presented the proposal. The proposed changes are in response to new accreditation and licensure examination requirements. Some didactic and clinical components are combined into one course to better deliver the competencies. One elective course is added to meet the needs of the clinical sites. The total required units dropped by 1 unit. The MS program has secured over \$9M in donations and does not require any new resources to implement the changes. GC unanimously approved this proposal.
- Members reviewed the recommendations about GC membership from the APPC. Members agreed with the APPC's recommendation. The GC Chair will edit the existing GC Bylaws to incorporate the recommendations. An electronic vote will be conducted to approve the updated GC Bylaws.

A total of 24 voting members took part in the meeting. GC's next meeting is on Mar 15, 2024.