The Graduate Council met on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 3:30 p.m. in 229 Terrell Hall.

Members present: Michael Cacciatore, John Campbell, Joon Choi, AnneMarie Conner, Melissa Fahmy, Tim Foutz, Georgia Harrison Hall, John Hulland, Dan Johnson, Elizabeth Knight, Christof Meile, Craig Osenberg, Daniel Perez, James Reap, Leara Rhodes, Robert Scott, Shavannor Smith, and Marc Van Iersel. Ron Walcott, Meredith Welch-Devine, Cheri Bliss, and Robin Bingham represented the Graduate School.


Associate Dean Ron Walcott called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

Minutes of the August 21, 2019, Graduate Council meeting were approved as posted on the Graduate School website.

**Graduate Council Committee Reports and Action Items**

- **A. Administrative Committee**
  No business to report.

- **B. Appeals Committee**
  No business to report.

- **C. Program Committee**
  James Reap, Chair
  Since the last meeting of the Graduate Council, the Program Committee has reviewed and approved one (1) proposal. The Program Committee would like to bring the following action item to the Graduate Council for its approval.

  **Action Items:** From the Franklin College Department of Computer Science, a request to create a new Master of Science in Cybersecurity and Privacy. *Approved.*

- **D. Strategic Planning Committee**
  No business to report.

**Old Business**

- **A.** Yes, Strategic Planning Committee can be proactive rather than reactive. Bring forward issues bubbling around campus and/or in your area by advancing them to the Graduate School Dean’s Office to be put on the docket of the SPC.
B. Is there still a need to look at the credit hour transfer limitation? Yes. Questions raised:

1. Is there a way to ask for an exception to the rule in mitigating circumstances?
2. How often are requests made?
3. Are graduate students being harmed by it?
4. Does it affect our competitiveness (behind our peers/aspirants)?

Decision was made to look at it further and do some benchmarking, passed on to SPC.

New Business
No new business.

Information Items

Curriculum Report: No business to report.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 3:30pm, 229 Terrell Hall

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.