New Graduate Course Approval for Areas without Graduate Degrees

CURRENT POLICY

An academic department not authorized to offer a graduate degree may be authorized by the Council to offer courses numbered 500 and above, subject to the following stipulations:

a. A maximum total of five such courses may be authorized for such departments, exceptions to this restriction may be granted only by positive action of the Graduate Council;

b. Each course must be separately reviewed and approved by the Council;

c. The offering of courses approved by the Council must be approved by the Dean of Graduate Study prior to each semester or session they are to be offered.

PROPOSED NEW POLICY

An academic department not authorized to offer a graduate degree may be authorized by the Council to offer courses numbered 500, subject to the following stipulations:

a. Courses are limited to 500-level, exceptions to this restriction may be granted only by positive action of the Graduate Council/Vice Provost.

b. A maximum total of ten such courses may be authorized for such departments, exceptions to this restriction may be granted only by positive action of the Graduate Council/Vice Provost.

c. The Office of Graduate Study reports annually to Graduate Council all courses in this category with the respective enrollment.

d. The Office of Graduate Study will report to the Academic Deans courses not offered at least once every eight years before purging the courses from the Graduate Catalog.