

UMSL Graduate School  
Graduate Council  
Meeting Minutes  
September 6, 2024

Graduate School Senior Director Teresa Thiel began the meeting at 1:00p.m.

Note Taker: Nykea Watts Edwards

Members in attendance: Jill Delston, Joe Pickard, Eike Bauer, Lee Slocum, David Kimball, Ho Kim, Kamila White, Donald Kridel, Lon Chubiz, Amy Banken

Members who sent comments and voted on the Grad Certificate proposal by e-mail: Sanjiv Bhatia, Scott Peterson, Rebecca Rogers, Wendy Olivas.

1. Amy Banken reported that there were 88 certificates and 208 degrees awarded for summer 2024.
2. Discussion took place regarding the difference between certificates and emphasis/subplans.
3. Discussion took place regarding adding a written policy for the minimum credits for a graduate certificate for the Bulletin. There was no support for increasing or decreasing the minimum number of credits from the current number of 12. Consistent with the wording for the master's degree, the proposed wording below for Graduate Certificate Credit Requirements was voted on and approved unanimously by the members present and by four members who voted by e-mail.

**Proposal:**

**A minimum of 12 semester hours of graduate credit is required for all graduate certificate programs. Units may require a greater number of hours for their programs. -APPROVED unanimously.**

4. Dr. Thiel and council members discussed Course Leaf proposals and all the members present at the meeting voted to approve the proposed CourseLeaf changes with the exception of Joe Pickard who abstained because he had not been able to review them before the meeting.
5. The members agreed to future meetings by Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40pm

