

Graduate Council Curriculum Committee

Agenda – September 24, 2026, 2:00 PM (CT)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://wku.zoom.us/j/96886991589>

Meeting ID: 968 8699 1589

Voting Members:

Advisory Members:

Guests:

Approval of Minutes- May 7, 2026

Course Administration:

Graduate Curriculum Committee (6)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
BIOL 404G	BIOL 404G: Electron Microscopy	Edited	smr85629	9/17/2026
BIOL 457G	BIOL 457G: Herpetology	Edited	smr85629	9/17/2026
BIOL 470G	BIOL 470G: Pathogenic Microbiology	Edited	smr85629	9/17/2026
BIOL 497G	BIOL 497G: Aquatic Field Ecology	Edited	smr85629	9/17/2026
DATA 711	DATA 711: Programming for Data Research	Added	gng27220	9/17/2026
DATA 712	DATA 712: Practical Data Structures for Analytics	Added	gng27220	9/17/2026

Review Program Changes:

Graduate Curriculum Committee (1)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
059	059: Chemistry	Edited	lwr75865	9/17/2026

Informational Item(s):

Other Business:

Members: Graduate Curriculum Committee

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Appendix A
Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
Minutes – May 7, 2026, 2:30 PM (CT)

Voting Members: Erin Warfel, Dan Strunk, Leslie Tarbett, Jessi Thomsen, and Eland Jasarevic.

Advisory Members: Cate Webb, Jennifer Klemm, Danita Kelley, and Jamie DeYoung

Guests: James Simmons and Tonya Bragg-Underwood

Approval of Minutes – April 2, 2026 - 1st/2nd: Tarbett/Thomsen **Vote:** Approved (5 Yes)

Course Administration:

Graduate Curriculum Committee (23)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
Motion to Bundle all NURS classes – 1st/2nd: Strunk/Tarbett Vote to Bundle: Approved Discussion – within each course separately. Vote: Approved (5 Yes)				
NURS 833	NURS 833: Clinical Practicum I	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 842	NURS 842: Clinical Practicum II	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 861	NURS 861: Clinical Practicum IV	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 6 credit hours.</i> <i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 871	NURS 871: Clinical Practicum V	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. It should be a 6-credit-hour course, not 4. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 6 credit hours.</i> <i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 881	NURS 881: Seminar I	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 882	NURS 882: Clinical Practicum VI	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				

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NURS 890	NURS 890: Seminar II	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change minimum grade to B.</i>				
NURS 891	NURS 891: Clinical Practicum VII	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 830	NURS 830: Foundations of Nurse Anesthesia	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 831	NURS 831: Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesia	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 832	NURS 832: Applied Sciences of Anesthesia	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 840	NURS 840: Foundations of Nurse Anesthesia II	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. Struck asked about the student who makes a C. Simmons, this is an accreditation requirement for all students to make a B and above. Kelley, All the courses say they can’t be repeatable, but they can be repeated.				
NURS 841	NURS 841: Applied Physiology and Assessment	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 850	NURS 850: Advanced Principles of Nurse Anesthesia I	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 3 credit hours.</i> <i>Friendly Amendment – Change minimum grade to B.</i>				
NURS 851	NURS 851: Anesthesia for Special Populations	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 3 credit hours.</i>				
NURS 860	NURS 860: Advanced Principles of Nurse Anesthesia II	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 3 credit hours.</i>				
NURS 852	NURS 852: Clinical Practicum III	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				

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<i>Friendly Amendment - Within this area – “Is this related to other courses at WKU – Yes” – Add the following language: “There are existing graduate nursing clinical courses offered where students apply advanced concepts in nursing practice. This course will be focused on settings for nurse anesthesia.”</i>				
NURS 862	NURS 862: Nurse Anesthesia Doctoral Project I	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. It should be a 1-credit-hour course, not 4. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 1 credit hour.</i>				
NURS 870	NURS 870: Advanced Principles of Nurse Anesthesia III	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. It should be a 3-credit-hour course, not 4. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 3 credit hours.</i> <i>Friendly Amendment – Change minimum grade to B.</i>				
NURS 872	NURS 872: Nurse Anesthesia Doctoral Project II	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 880	NURS 880: Advanced Principles of Nurse Anesthesia IV	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. It should be a 3-credit-hour course, not 4. <i>Friendly Amendment – Change to 3 credit hours.</i> <i>Friendly Amendment – Change minimum grade to B.</i>				
NURS 883	NURS 883: Nurse Anesthesia Doctoral Project III	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				
NURS 892	NURS 892: Nurse Anesthesia Doctoral Project IV	Added	jms60847	4/29/2026
Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description.				

Review Program Changes:

Graduate Curriculum Committee (2)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
0011	0011: Nursing	Edited	jms60847	4/29/2026
Motion to Approve – 1st/2nd: Tarbett/Strunk Discussion: Simmons gave a brief description. <i>Friendly Amendment – Do you plan to offer this 100% of this program online? Change to No.</i> Vote: Approved (5 Yes)				
149	149: Nursing	Edited	tny63665	4/30/2026
Motion to Approve – 1st/2nd: Tarbett/Strunk Discussion: Bragg-Underwood gave a brief description. Vote: Approved (5 Yes)				

Informational Item(s): None

Other Business: None

Adjourn at 3:40pm - 1st/2nd – Tarbett/Thomsen
Respectfully submitted,

GCCC Recorder
Jessica Steenbergen