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Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), J. Marshall (ex officio), K. Capehart, T. Lopez, P. Mahalik, D. Walker, S. Tracz, S. Church,

Members Excused: N. Wang

Guests: None

Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm by M. Wilson

1. Approval of Minutes from October 23, 2018, meeting

J. Marshall- 5th bullet- replace “better” with more viable (4th paragraph)

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Communications and Announcements:

* Thursday 11/15 upcoming graduate coordinator meeting 3pm at Vintage Room, Chris Sterling’s Social Network Analysis findings.
* M Wilson: please review Math Degree change updates to allow a decision next week. WASC form received from Early Education therefore it can be forwarded to Exec.

4. Discussion and development of questions for the Criminology Program Review

* Vision
* What is the long term vision of the program?
  + What is the optimal student to faculty ratio?
  + Is the whole field of criminology shifting towards criminal justice?
* Students and Recruitment – Small N compared to huge undergraduate population
  + It appears they need to increase recruitment. Note: research-based programs tend to be smaller in the College of Social Sciences and across the University compared to applied graduate programs
  + What was your response to the recommendation of the site visitation, to become more applied.
  + Will elimination of GRE assist with recruitment?
  + Additional recruitment plans in addition to social media such as Facebook.
  + What is the hesitancy for growing the program?
  + Growth of applicant pool.
  + DOSS wonders if creating TA positions is viable for Criminology.
* Demand - What type of jobs do graduates get?
* Faculty
  + Faculty diversity concern
  + 21 part time faculty-
  + Is there a way for newer faculty to get into graduate education in the program?
  + Plans to obtain more grant money.
* Curriculum
  + Is there currently a comprehensive exam?
  + Thesis project coverage with departmental growth.
  + What interdisciplinary electives can students take?
  + No service learning?
  + How are the students serving the community interest?
  + Internships may not make sense in the context that the program is offered.
* SOAP should assess content and IF the student can write -how is writing content assessed?
* MISC
  + Disconnect between department and administration #10.
  + Pg. 19 self-study-9/11 points (update the status of what you have promise to do)
  + GRE requirements

The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 pm.

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday, November 27, 2018, at 2:00 pm in TA 117.

Agenda for next meeting:

1. Approval of Minutes from November 13, 2018, meeting  
2. Approval of Agenda

3. Communications and Announcements

4. Discuss TOEFL and IELTs score requirements for international students: Guest: Sarah Lam: 2:15

5. Marriage, Family, and Child Counseling Elevation: Guest Christopher Lucey: 2:30