

**Graduate Council
Minutes
Wednesday, January 15, 2025**

Graduate Council Members attending: Jeff Williams, Mohamed Lotfy, Nicole Gearing, Jeffrey O'Flynn, Christine Walker, David McEntire, Malissa Brooks, Aliny Xavier, Laurie Sharp, Jim Bailey, Erik Koller

The Graduate Council Minutes for December 4, 2024 were approved.

Graduate Faculty

The following Graduate Faculty was approved:

[Smith College of Engineering and Technology](#)

Ahmed Alsharif-Full

David Pappe-Cazco-Professional

Nicholas Ball-Full

[College of Health and Public Service](#)

Amy Stutzenberger-Associate

[Woodbury School of Business](#) – Reviewers: Jeff Williams, Mohamed Lotfy

Brandon Adams-Professional

Brandon Adams was approved subject to graduate studies directors checking with graduate program directors to see whether the faculty member's background aligned with what the faculty member would be teaching in the graduate program. The graduate director confirmed that the faculty member's background aligned with the proposed teaching assignment.

The Graduate Council recommended amending the Graduate Faculty application to add a section for graduate professional applicants to state how their background aligned with the course(s) they would be teaching in the graduate program.

The Graduate Faculty Application for Melissa Noyes was tabled.

Policies and Guidelines

Policies 655 and 658 were recommended to move forward in the policy process.

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Graduate admission guidelines were reviewed for the proposed Graduate Admissions Handbook. The guidelines will be reviewed again at a future Graduate Council meeting and considered for approval.

