

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary

Ron DeSantis, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
FLORIDA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

May 9, 2024

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Dr. Fennema, Chair.

II. Roll Call

The roll was called by Karan Lee, Management Review Specialist, reflecting the following:

Committee Members Present:

Dr. Martin Fennema – Chair
Mr. Michael Kridel
Dr. Gary McGill
Dr. Richard Morton
Mr. Steven Platau

Committee Members Absent:

Mr. Mark Margulies
Dr. Gregory Trompeter

Staff Members Present:

Roger Scarborough, Director
Alexandra Herrera
Harini Kumar
Karan Lee
Ashley Pollock

Others Present:

Rachell Munson, Senior Assistant Attorney General and Board Counsel
Rashi Jain, applicant
Kimball Adams, University of Tampa
Rebecca Baaske, University of Tampa
Michael Baker, University of Tampa
Robert Goodwin, University of Tampa
Jacob Christian Plesner Rossing, University of Tampa

III. Ratify Minutes from February 15, 2024, meeting.

Motion was made by Dr. McGill and seconded by Dr. Morton to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2024, meeting. Upon vote motion passed unanimously.

IV. Individual Course Review

A. Cate, Lauren Victoria

Ms. Cate is requesting three (3) semester hours of upper-division accounting credit for ACCT 591 – Info Tech & Business Strategy from Stetson University.

Motion was made by Dr. Morton and seconded by Dr. McGill to deny the course listed above. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

B. Coon, Robert Joseph

Mr. Coon is requesting three (3) semester hours of upper-division accounting credit for ACCT 4501 Accounting Senior Seminar from Temple University.

Motion was made by Mr. Kridel and seconded by Dr. McGill to approve the course listed above. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

C. Jain, Rashi

Mrs. Jain is requesting five (5) quarter hours of upper-division accounting credit for ACTG 53: Financial Statement Analysis from Foothill College. She has already been given credit for four (4) quarter hours of upper-division accounting credit for ECON 118 Financial Accounting Analysis and Planning from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Motion was made by Mr. Platau and seconded by Dr. McGill to approve five (5) quarter hours for ACTG 53: Financial Statement Analysis from Foothill College. The Committee ruled Ms. Jain cannot receive credit for ECON 118 Financial Accounting Analysis and Planning from the University of California, Santa Barbara because the courses are duplicative. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

D. Mena, Alodio Ariel

Mr. Mena is requesting three (3) semester hours of graduate accounting credit for TAX 5020 - Federal Taxes and Management Decisions from Florida National University.

Motion was made by Dr. McGill and seconded by Mr. Platau to deny graduate level taxation credit for TAX 5020 – Federal Taxes and Management Decision from Florida National University and approve the course for upper-division taxation credit. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

V. University Course Review

A. University of Tampa

The University of Tampa is requesting three (3) semester hours of upper-division accounting credit for ACC 305 – Data Analytics for Accounting.

Motion was made by Dr. McGill and seconded by Dr. Morton to approve the course listed above for four (4) semester hours of upper-division accounting credit as requested in the course material submitted by the University of Tampa. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

The University of Tampa is also requesting three (3) semester hours of graduate accounting credit for the courses listed below.

ACC 541 – Governmental Accounting

ACC 611 – Mergers and Acquisitions

ACC 625 – Advanced Accounting Analytics

Motion was made by Dr. McGill and seconded by Dr. Morton to approve ACC 541 – Governmental Accounting for two (2) semester hours of graduate accounting credit, ACC 611 – Mergers and Acquisitions for four (4) semester hours of graduate accounting credit and ACC 625 – Advanced Accounting Analytics for four (4) semester hours of graduate accounting credit as requested in the course material submitted by the University of Tampa. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

VI. Administrative Matters

A. Update on Tulane Earn and Learn Program.

Director Scarborough informed the committee that Tulane sent him a list of the courses being offered in their Earn and Learn program, which included 45 courses, along with the course descriptions. Director Scarborough shared that there are one or two courses he thinks may qualify for accounting credit and five or six that may qualify for business credit. He also pointed out to the committee that the courses have a disclaimer on them that states the courses will not be accepted to satisfy the requirements of the Freeman School of Business, which is their business school.

Director Scarborough stated he reached out to the director of the program to request that they send the syllabus for the seven or eight courses for review. He informed the committee that we would present the information to them once it was received.

B. Laws and Rules (informational)

C. Executive Director/Licensing Supervisor Comments

None

VII. Set Future Meeting Date

August 21, 2024 @ 3:00 p.m.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

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