Graduate Academic Affairs Committee Saint Louis University

major update from previous discussion were changes to the approval processes. will bring back to the committee an updated Microcredentials Policy from the graduate colleges and departments feedback.

Discussion focused on understanding the distinction between the three areas (academic, skills and competencies, and continuing education) and what they involve.

Additional questions from the discussion included:

What admission process will be followed for individuals outside of SLU who want to complete a microcredential? Jay Haugen indicated we would use the visiting student system for students outside of SLU.

Would there be a minimum grade requirement for earning a microcredential? How will we assess learning for skills and competencies credentials? A minimum grade expectation likely needs to be added to the policy.

How are these are transcripted and recognized? Jay Haugen described the electronic badging process he hopes to use with these. The academic microcredential would be on the academic transcript.

How cost is determined for skills and competencies microcredential components as they may not involve coursework? One possibility would be that individual colleges and schools determine this.

Based upon feedback from UAAC, the proposal was modified to indicate all coursework for the microcredential must be completed at SLU.

At the end, the committee concluded that Jay Haugen would update the policy with some of the feedback from today and then committee members would take that back to their constituents for review.

NEW BUSINESS

Next GAAC meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 11, 2022

The GAAC adjourned the meeting.

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