

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)**Tuesday, March 8, 2016****1:00 – 2:30 pm****KL 360****Documents available at: UCM Box "[GC AY 15-16](#)"**

- I. Professor Ashlie Martini, School of Engineering** **Pg. 1-13**
[TOEFL speaking score requirement issue](#)
- II. Chair's Report**
A. March 2 CCGA meeting
B. March 7 Division Council meeting
- III. Consent Calendar**
A. Approval of March 8 meeting agenda
B. Approval of February 16 and 23 meeting minutes **Pg. 14-19**
- IV. Graduate Advisors Handbook**
Plan for revisions. Assign reader / copyeditors. (Any GC member not on the Graduate Awards Review Team.)
The revised Handbook is posted on [Box](#).
- V. Concentrations and Designated Emphases Policy**
[Endorsed by Division Council](#) on March 2.
Discussion: GC to send memo to all graduate group chairs, asking for an indication of (1) whether they plan to propose one or more concentration(s) and/or a designated emphasis and (2) an estimation of when they would be able to submit a proposal.

VI. [Graduate Group Policies & Procedures](#)

Discussion: Organize review of the policies and procedures.

VII. Campuswide Review Item**Pg. 20-21****a. [Proposal](#) for a 12 week Summer Session**

- i. In response to the Registrar's Office request to formalize the 12-week part of term and address the concerns of some disciplines that an eight week term is insufficient time to deliver certain course content, the 12 week part of term will be added as an official session beginning in summer 2016.

ACTION: GC to endorse proposal, decline to opine, or suggest revisions to proposal.

VIII. Catalog copy

[Catalog Copy](#) (due to Registrar by May 1)

Discussion: Assign reader / copyeditors. (Any GC member not on the Graduate Awards Review Team.)

IX. Other Business**X. Consultation with VPDGE Zatz**

- A. Admissions, SIRS, SIRs of fellowship recipients
- B. Graduate Research Advocacy Day at State Capitol March 16
- C. Chancellor's Dialogue on Diversity and Interdisciplinary March 17

XI. Upcoming business

- A. Teaching as Scholarship *incl.* Guidelines for TA Supervision, complement to Graduate Handbook guidance on choosing grads for TAships
- B. Revised Course Conventions document from Registrar (coordinating the review with UGC).
- C. GC course/certificates (VPDGE Zatz to discuss on April 5).

XII. Executive Session (voting members only)