

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

October 2, 2017

3:30 – 4:30 PM

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| I. | Chairs Report – <i>Chair Ghezzehei</i> | 5 Min |
| II. | Vice Chair’s Report – <i>Leroy Westering</i>
A. Periodic Review Oversight Committee (PROC; 10/2) | 5 Min |
| III. | Academic Reorganization Work Group Report – <i>Hrant Hratchian</i> | 5 Min |
| IV. | Consent Calendar
A. Approval of the Agenda
B. Approval of Graduate Council’s comments on the UC Merced Sustainability Strategic Action Plan. | 1 Min |
| V. | Consultation with the Acting Dean of SSHA, Holley Moyes
Acting Dean Moyes and Graduate Council will discuss funding delays for graduate students in SSHA. | 15 Min |
| VI. | Consultation with VPDGE Zatz

A. Fellowship Funding and Access to Services/Benefits
Students on fellowship funding are not in the UC payroll system and are not considered employees. As a result, students lose access to services and benefits available to employees (and graduate students funded through GSR and TAships) unless these needs specifically are addressed administratively. These include access to parking, T&E cards, Catbuy, and worker’s compensation. | 25 Min |

As a precursor to a written report, members will be briefed on the issues, and efforts to address the issues, experienced by students who are funded fully by fellowships. This includes steps taken to address these issues this fall, as well as those being taken to prevent recurrence.

Requested Action: Consider remedies for communication to leadership.