## **GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)**

AGENDA Thursday, January 31, 2019 2:00-3:30 PM KL 362

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#### I. Consultation with EVC/Provost Gregg Camfield

[20 Min] 2:00 -2:20

The EVC/Provost will join GC to discuss <u>Graduate Council's letter</u> regarding support for graduate education and research that was sent to the Provost and Chancellor on January 3, 2019.

II. Executive Session [0 min] 2:20

III. Chair's Report – Chair Westerling [5 min] 2:20 – 2:25

IV. Budget Work Group Report - Representative Hrant Hratchian [5 min] 2:25 – 2:30

V. PROC Report – Representative Maria DePrano [5 min] 2:30 – 2:35

VI. Consent Calendar [5 min] 2:35 – 2:40

- A. Agenda (1/31)
- B. Petitions: Appointment of Graduate Students as Instructor of Record for Summer 2019
  - 1. Ashley Baker, PSY 120 Health Psychology
  - 2. Geraldy Eisman, PSY 152 Culture, Racial and Ethnic Diversity
  - 3. Kay Kim, SY 156 Social Psychology
- C. Call for Nominations: 2018-2019 Senate Distinguished Graduate Teaching/Mentorship Award
- VII. Proposed Concentration in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (EEB) Chair Westerling [15 min] 2:40 2:55

  Members are asked to discuss the proposal for a concentration in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology in the

  Quantitative and Systems Biology graduate degree program. As per Graduate Council's procedures for establishing

  a new concentration comments were solicited from CAPRA, the Office of Periodic Review, Assessment and

  Accreditation Support (OPRAAS), and the Vice Provost and Dean for Graduate Education. The description of a

  concentration appears in section 2a (p.1) and the process for establishing a concentration, including the elements
  required in a proposal, in section 3 (p.2) of GC's procedures.

Requested Action: Approve the proposal for a concentration for implementation effective Fall 2019.

### VIII. Systemwide Review Items

[10 Min] 2:55 -3:05

A. Proposed Presidential Policy for Open Access for Theses and Dissertations – Teamrat Ghezzehei Members are asked to discuss the revised proposed Presidential Policy for Open Access for Theses and Dissertations (clean copy here). The cover letter provides the context for this second, systemwide review of the policy. Graduate Council's and Divisional Council's comments during the first review of the policy are here and here. In case it is helpful, Academic Council, Senate divisions, and systemwide committees responses to the first systemwide review of this policy are available here: https://senate.universityofcalifornia.edu/\_files/reports/SW-SC-Open-Access-Theses-Dissertations.pdf

Requested Action: Transmit GC's endorsement and/or comments to the Senate Chair by February 25, 2019.

## **ACADEMIC SENATE - MERCED DIVISION**

# IX. Proposed Diversity Plan for Program Review

[10 Min] 3:05 -3:15

The policy subcommittee has reviewed the <u>diversity plan for program review</u> proposed by the Committee for Diversity and Equity and developed <u>a set of recommendations</u> for strengthening the effort. Members are asked to discuss the policy and the policy subcommittee's recommendations.

Requested Action: Transmit GC's endorsement of policy subcommittee's recommendations to D&E.

**X. Consultation with VPDGE -** Associate Dean Chris Kello will attend in VPDGE Zatz's place.

[10 min] 3:15-3:25

- A. Recruitment Fellowship nominations
- B. Graduate Visitation Weekend February 22-23
- C. Admissions update
- XI. New Business