

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

1:30 - 3:00 PM

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| I. | Executive Session | 0 Min |
| II. | Chair's Report - <i>Chair Westerling</i> | 5 Min |
| | A. Divisional Council Meeting (10/30) | |
| | B. CCGA Meeting (11/6) | |
| III. | PROC Update - <i>PROC Liaison DePrano</i> | 10 Min |
| | CCB and CIS self-studies | |
| IV. | Consent Calendar | 5 Min |
| | A. The agenda (11/13) | |
| | B. Minutes from 10/9 meeting | |
| | C. MBSE Bylaws . They have been reviewed by the Policy Subcommittee. | |
| | D. Petition to appoint Byran Fuhrmann, a graduate student, to teach ENVE 184, Field Methods in Environmental Chemistry, in Spring 2020. This petition has been approved by Chair Westerling, following review against GC policy . | |
| | E. The following requests for new courses or proposed modifications to existing courses were approved by the GC CRF Subcommittee: | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MBSE 294 Responsible Conduct of Research • QSB 294 Responsible Conduct of Research | |
| | F. The following requests for course discontinuations have been approved by the GC CRF Subcommittee: | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHYS 291 Physics and Chemistry Seminar • QSB 207 Physical Biochemistry | |
| V. | Campus Review Items | 10 Min |
| | A. Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (CE B.S.) Proposal - <i>Member Newsam</i> | |
| | Members discuss the proposal for a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering proposed by the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. The transmittal letter and support letters are here and here . GC is a lead committee for this review. | |
| | Action Requested: Transmit Graduate Council comments to Senate Chair by November 13. | |
| VI. | Discussion Item: Graduate Student Fellowships - <i>Vice Chair Hratchian</i> | 10 Min |
| | Members discuss proposed revisions to the recruitment fellowship process and the fellowship timeline proposed for this year. These proposals were developed in consultation with Fellowship Work Group, and were presented to Graduate Group Chairs on 11/4. | |
| | Action Requested: Endorse proposed Timeline and Revised Guideline for Graduate Fellowships Selection Process. | |
| VII. | Revised Graduate Policy and Procedures Handbook - <i>Chair Westerling</i> | 10 Min |

As summarized in its [cover memo](#), Graduate Division has revised the *Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook* in response to GC's spring 2019 comments. Graduate Division has also responded to two recommendations made by Graduate Council last spring (bottom of p. 1 of the cover memo). Members review the revisions and Graduate Division's responses to Graduate Council's recommendations.

Action Requested: 1) Approve the revised Handbook to take effect immediately. 2) As appropriate, comment on Graduate Division's response to the two questions.

VIII. Consultation with VPDGE
A. Updates

10 Min

IX. [Graduate Student Funding Model](#) -APAPB Kurt Schnier

30 Min

Members will continue their consultation with Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Budget, Kurt Schnier, regarding modifications to the graduate student funding model, with a focus on incentivizing grants and the incentive structure for Master's students/programs.

Action Requested: Members will advise the APAPB on the model's development.

X. New Business?