ACADEMIC SENATE - MERCED DIVISION

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:00 – 3:30 PM

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Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/5599085619

Documents available in Box Graduate Council Duties

I. Executive Session [0 min] 2:00

II. Chair's Report – Chair Westerling

[5 min] 2:00 - 2:05

A. DivCo 3/4 Meeting

B. CCGA <u>3/6 Meeting</u>

III. Curriculog Update – Dorie Perez

[5 min] 2:05 – 2:10

Senate Staff will update Graduate Council on the efforts to gather date to improve Curriculog, the Course Request Form software used on campus.

Requested Action: Encourage faculty to participate in feedback sessions regarding Curriculog.

IV. Budget Work Group Report – Vice Chair Hratchian

[5 min] 2:15 - 2:20

A. BWG 3/11 Meeting

V. PROC Report – Representative Maria DePrano

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VI. Academic Planning Work Group – *GC Representative Teamrat Ghezzehei*

[5 min] 2:20 – 2:25

VII. Consent Calendar

[5 min] 2:25 - 2:30

- A. 3/14 Meeting Agenda
- B. Petitions: Graduate Student as IORs Summer 2019
 - Andrea Lopez PH 102
 - Brandon Bratzloff Cog 180
- C. Graduate Program Catalog AY 2019-2020 Revisions:
 - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
 - Materials and Biomaterials Science and Engineering
 - Mechanical Engineering
 - Management of Complex Systems (MS & PhD)
 - Interdisciplinary Humanities
 - Applied Math
 - <u>Psychological Sciences</u>
 - Sociology
 - Bioengineering
 - Masters in Management (MM)

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VIII. Fellowship Review Process Discussion – VP/DGE Marjorie Zatz & Eric Cannon

[20 min] 2:30 - 2:50

As per Chair Westerling's announcement at the February 28, 2019 GC meeting, members will discuss the review process for recruitment fellowships. This conversation originated at the recruitment fellowship meeting of February 20, 2019.

Requested Action: Determine next steps.

IX. GC Award Subcommittee – Chair Westerling

[5 min] 2:50 - 2:55

Members are asked to form an ad-hoc committee to identify recipients of the 2019 *Distinguished Graduate Teaching/Mentorship Award* from among the nominees. As per the <u>call for nominations</u>, the committee will be composed of a minimum of three members, including the chair, with "balanced representation from a range of academic areas and broad school representation."

Requested Action: Members discuss and nominate 3 GC members from different schools to serve as reviewers. Subcommittee members will then review nominations and submit their recommendation to the Senate Office by March 22, 2019.

X. Campus Review Items

[10 min] 2:55 – 3:05

A. Proposed Distant Teaching Program (Non-degree) — Vice Chair Hratchian Members are asked to consider a proposal from University Extension to establish a distance education version of the non-degree program UC Merced Extension Teacher Preparation Program, Multiple Subject Credential and Single Subject Credential. The associated cover letter, proposal cover sheet, and dean's support letter are available in Box, as is GC's November 14, 2018 memo outlining GC's expectations for the resource components this proposal. The onsite version of this program was approved by the Senate in April 2018. GC is a lead review committee for this review.

Requested Action: Transmit GC's comments or endorsement of the proposal to the Senate Chair by March 22, 2019.

XI. Consultation with VP/DGE Zatz

[10 min] 3:05 - 3:15

- A. Graduate Student Tax Information
- B. Graduate Council's thoughts on improving the annual review of graduate students

XII. New Business?