

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Thursday, April 18, 2019

2:00 – 3:30 PM

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| I. | Executive Session | [0 min] 2:00 |
| II. | Chair's Report – <i>Chair Westerling</i>
A. Divisional Council Meeting (4/15)
B. Meeting of the Division (4/15) | [5 min] 2:00 – 2:05 |
| III. | Budget Work Group Report – <i>Vice Chair Hratchian</i> | [5 min] 2:05 – 2:10 |
| IV. | PROC Report – <i>Representative Maria DePrano</i> | [5 min] 2:10 – 2:15 |
| V. | Consent Calendar
A. Meeting agenda
B. Petition : Byran Furhmann, instructor of record, EnvE 184, fall 2019. | [5 min] 2:15 – 2:20 |
| VI. | Campus Review Items
A. Proposed Salary Recovery Policy – <i>Chair Westerling</i>
Members are asked to discuss the draft Salary Recovery Policy developed by the Budget Working Group. The objective of the policy is to provide structure to both faculty and central administration around the process for enabling faculty to buyout an instructional course, or engage in protected research time, so that more time can be spent on conducting research activities. The document provides additional context.

Requested Action: Transmit GC's comments on and/or endorsement of the proposed policy to the Senate Chair by April 22, 2019.

B. Draft Policy on the Establishment, Disestablishment, and Review of ORUs – <i>David Ardell</i>
Members are asked to discuss the draft policy for the establishment, disestablishment, and review of Organized Research Units (ORUs) developed by the Committee on Research. The cover letter provides context.

Requested Action: Transmit GC's comments on and/or endorsement of the proposed policy to the Senate Chair by April 22, 2019.

C. Academic Planning Work Group Proposal – <i>Chair Westerling</i>
Members are asked to discuss the Academic Planning Work Group's proposal outlining campus goals, criteria to support school-level planning and evaluate progress toward campus goals, and a process to support multi-year resource allocation.

Requested Action: Requested Action: Transmit GC's comments on and/or endorsement of the proposed policy to the Senate Chair by May 6, 2019. | [30 min] 2:20 – 2:50 |

- VII. Systemwide Review Items** [10 min] 2:50 - 3:00
- A. [UC Sacramento Center Review Process](#) – *Andy LiWang*
Members are asked to discuss [the report](#) summarizing the UC system’s assessment of the UC Center Sacramento. As per the [associated cover letter](#), the assessment is part of President Napolitano’s efforts to determine whether and how to transition selected systemwide programs to campuses.
- Requested Action:** Transmit GC’s comments on and/or endorsement of the proposed policy to the Senate Chair by May 6, 2019.
- VIII. Fellowship Reviews** [15 min] 3:00 – 3:15
- A. **Continuing Student Fellowship Application Rankings** – *Eric Cannon, Graduate Division*
Members will discuss the proposed nominee rankings for continuing graduate student fellowships.
- Requested Action:** Recommend rankings to the Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Division.
- B. **OTA and Shadish Fellowship Review** – *Eric Cannon, Graduate Division*
Members are asked to discuss the rankings for the Outstanding Teaching Award and the Will Shadish Graduate Student Fellowship.
- Requested Action:** Recommend rankings to the Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Division.
- IX. [Curriculog Enhancement Report](#) – *Chair Westerling*** [10 min] 3:15 – 3:30
- At Chair Westerling’s request, a review of the Curriculog and the CRF process was initiated one year after the launch of Curriculog. [A preliminary report](#) has been drafted, outlining the process of the review and the preliminary findings. The results are preliminary meetings with department chairs have not yet been held but are scheduled.
- Requested Action:** Discuss feedback and recommendations, and possible next steps.
- X. New Business?** [0 min] 3:30 – 3:30
- XI. Informational Items**
- 4/1 – [The Senate’s comments](#) on the SVSH Investigation and Adjudication Frameworks for Senate and Non-Senate Faculty and for Staff and Non-Faculty Academic Personnel were transmitted to Vice Provost Susan Carlson.
 - 4/8 – [The Senate’s comments](#) on the second systemwide review of the proposed Presidential Policy on Open Access for Theses and Dissertations were transmitted to Vice Provost Susan Carlson.