

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

## AGENDA

Monday, May 6, 2019

9:00 – 10:30 AM

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Zoom URL: <https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/2092287954>

Zoom Phone: 1 669 900 6833, Meeting ID: 209 228 7954

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- I. **Executive Session** [0 min] 9:00
- II. **Chair's Report – Chair Westerling** [10 min] 9:00 – 9:10
- A. [Divisional Council Meeting](#) (4/29)
- B. [CCGA Meeting](#) (5/1)
- III. **Consent Calendar** [5 min] 9:10 – 9:15
- A. The agenda
- B. Five CRFs:
- [Public Health 295](#)
  - [Public Health 297](#)
  - [Bioengineering 295](#)
  - [Bioengineering 230](#)
  - [Bioengineering 210](#)
- C. Instructor of record petitions. All three have been approved by Chair Westerling.
- [Reo Maynard](#) to teach Bio 141, Evolution in summer 2019.
  - [Ravi Singh](#) to teach Public Health 105, Introduction to US Healthcare Systems in fall 2019
  - [Bryan Amos](#) to teach Sociology 110, Social Movements in fall 2019.
- IV. **Campus Review Items** [25 min] 9:15 – 9:40
- A. **[Department Chair Duties](#)** – Chair Westerling  
Members are asked to discuss [the proposed implementation sequencing](#) of the duties of department chairs. Chair duties are taken from APM 245 and 210. All committees are invited to comment; there are no lead committees for this review.
- Action Requested:** Transmit GC's comments on and/or endorsement of the proposal to the Senate Chair by May 8.
- B. **[Economics B.S. Proposal](#)** – Member Torres-Rouff  
Members are asked to discuss [Economics' response](#) to [Graduate Council's February 22 request](#) for a teaching plan to illustrate the ability of the department to deliver the B.S., and existing B.A. and B.S. degrees, as well as implementing the M.A. and Ph.D. degree Programs.
- Action Requested:** Transmit GC's comments on and/or endorsement of the proposal to the Senate Chair by May 8.

## V. Systemwide Review Items

[10 min] 9:40 - 9:50

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.

**Action Requested:** Transmit GC’s comments on and/or endorsement of the report to the Senate Chair by May 8.

VI. [Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook](#) – *Vice Chair Hratchian*

[15 min] 9:50 – 10:05

Members are asked to consider revisions proposed by Graduate Division to the *Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook*. The proposed revisions, together with a set of questions posed to Graduate Council and provisional responses, are summarized [here](#). [Track change](#) and [clean](#) versions of the Handbook are provided.

**Action Requested:** Finalize GC’s recommendations and/or approve the revisions to the *Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook*.

VII. Discussion: Graduate Funding Model – *Chair Westerling*

[15 min] 10:05 – 10:20

Members are asked to discuss the proposed [graduate student funding model](#) presented at Graduate Council’s April 8 meeting.

**Action Requested:** Determine if Graduate Council will provide any formal feedback.

## VIII. Consultation with VPDGE

[10 min] 10:20 -10:30

- A. GROW timing and getting new students into the payroll system
- B. Update on annual student evaluations (recommendations of working group)
- C. National Labs Day was April 26; GradSLAM system finals are May 10

## IX. New Business?

## I. Informational Items

- 4/21 – Senate Chair May transmits the Academic Senate’s approval of the following three SSGPDPs to Provost Brown:
  - [Master of Bioprocess Engineering \(MBE\)](#) degree program at UC Berkeley
  - [Master of Engineering \(MEng\)](#) degree program at UC Irvine
  - [Master of Social Welfare degree](#) program at UC Berkeley
- 4/25 – Senate Chair May transmits the Academic Senate’s approval of the following three items to Provost Brown:
  - [Online Master of Business Administration](#) self-supporting graduate degree program (SSGPDP)
  - [Seventh undergraduate college](#) at UCSD
  - [Revisions to Senate Bylaw 336](#) (Privilege and Tenure: Divisional Committees - Disciplinary Cases)
- 4/25 – Senate Chair May transmits to the UC Chancellors [a letter from Academic Council](#) concerning the recent Chancellors’ Statement on Academic Boycotts of Israeli Institutions.