

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

1:30 – 3:00 PM

**Administration Bldg. Room 245**Zoom URL: <https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/84757526508> Passcode: 050205

Zoom Phone: 1 669 900 6833, Meeting ID: 84757526508

Documents available in [box](#)[Graduate Council Duties](#)

- I. **Chair's Report (1:30-1:40)—Chair Hestir**
  - A. Divisional Council (9/30)
  - B. Conflict Resolution Recommendations and Implementation
    - 1) Stakeholder engagement (request comments from FWAF, CoR, EDI, Department Chairs, Graduate Group Chairs)
    - 2) Implementation strategy
- II. **Vice Chair's Report (1:40-1:50)—Vice Chair Ha**
  - A. Graduate Group Chairs Meeting (9/27)
  - B. PROC (9/30)
- III. **Consent Calendar (1:50-1:50)—Chair Hestir**
  - A. The agenda (10/5)
  - B. [Minutes](#) from the 9/21 meeting
  - C. [Draft memo](#) on the proposed revision to SR 478
  - D. [Draft memo](#) to Extension
  - E. Graduate Student Instructor Petitions  
[Serajan, Reza ME 120 202210](#)  
[Mishra, Anupam ENGR 151 202210](#)
  - F. Course Proposals (NEW)
    - EECS 254\_ Compiler Construction
    - EECS 259\_ Topics in Human-Computer Interaction
    - EECS 268\_ Datacenter-Scale Computing
    - EECS 269\_ Reinforcement Learning

**Action Requested:** Approval of the Consent Calendar

**IV. Systemwide Review Items—Chair Hestir (1:50-1:55)****[Proposed revised Presidential Policy on Sustainable Practices](#)**

The policy was revised to update the following sections with new goals, procedures, and clarifications: Green Building Design, Climate Protection (new criteria for purchase of carbon offsets and new reference to climate justice in campus Action Plans), Sustainable Transportation, Sustainable Water Systems, and Sustainability at UC Health, and add a Health and Well-Being Policy section.

**Action Requested:** Identify reviewer and transmit GC comment to Senate Chair by 10/22.

**V. Discussion Item: Dual Modality Courses—Chair Hestir (1:55-2:15)**

GC continues its discussion of dual modality courses, in the context of [this request](#) from SoE Executive Committee. Campus needs to establish clearer guideline and standards for quality online courses (as in [this document](#)), and a review process.

**Action Requested:** Provide comments on the request to the Senate Chair by 10/13/21.

**VI. Consultation with Vice Provost/Dean of Graduate Education —Interim VPDGE Chris Kello (2:15-2:30)**

- A. [Project AMIGA Holistic Review Toolkit](#)
- B. Change of Advisor Form
- C. Enrollment Management/Funding Model
- D. Visitation Weekend

**VII. [EXECUTIVE SESSION] Consultation with Medical Education Director Thelma Hurd (2:30-2:55)**

Materials for this item were distributed to voting members and the Interim VPDGE separately.

**VIII. New Business? (2:55-3:00)**

**IX. Informational Items**

None at this time