Graduate and Research Council (GRC) Tuesday, April 2, 2013 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA Pg. Time

I. Chair's Report – Professor Valerie Leppert

5 min

- DivCo (3/20)
- Update on Graduate Dean Search
- Faculty Research Awards Call
- Reminder: Meeting of the Division- April 4 (3:00-5:00pm, KL 232)

II. Consent Calendar

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of CRFs
 - SOC 201
 - SOC 210

III. Modification to the Long-Range Development Plan

10 min

Background: The Chancellor and Provost are proposing amendments to the 2009 campus Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) for presentation and approval by the UC Board of Regents at their May meeting. The revisions are the first step for enabling recommendations made by the Urban Lands Institute report to concentrate new construction on a smaller campus footprint, and to consider alternatives to state funding of academic buildings in the form of public-private partnerships.

- · Campus Physical Planning Committee- Jan 24 Meeting Background
- Executive Summary for Committee on Grounds & Buildings
- Amendments Outline

Action: Review proposed amendments and provide feedback to DivCo by April 8.

IV. Proposed AY 2013-2014 Funding Model

15 min

Background: Graduate Dean Kello has asked GRC to opine the draft internal funding model for graduate student research and teaching.

• Draft Internal Funding Model

Action: Review proposed funding model and feedback to the Graduate Dean.

V. Physics Revised Bylaws and Policies & Procedures

15 min

Background: GRC approved the name change of Physics with the provision that their Bylaws and Policies & Procedures would be reviewed before the end of the academic year.

- PHYS Chair Email
- Revised Bylaws
- Revised Policies & Procedures

Action: Review revisions and respond to Physics.

VI. Social Sciences Revised Bylaws

10 min

Background: As part of the information requested in advance of Program Review, GRC requested a new set of bylaws for review. The new document is expected to become binding for students enrolling in 2012-2013.

- SS Chair Memo
- Revised Bylaw (with track changes)

Action: Review revisions and respond to Social Sciences.

VII. Policy Subcommittee- Chair Sayantani Ghosh

A. 2013-2015 Catalog Edits

10 min

Background: GRC was asked to review the graduate studies section of the catalog.

• Draft 2013-2015 Catalog Edits

Action: Review and approve revisions to the Graduate Studies Section.

B. Graduate Group Policies & Procedures

10 min

Background: On October 9, GRC was asked to address the issues concerning the overall campus policy on critical examination outcomes. GRC's review is required before the call for annual review of the Graduate Group Policies and Procedures is sent out.

- Draft Memo to Graduate Groups- 2013 Annual Review
- Subcommittee Comments- Critical Examination Outcomes
- Graduate Dean Memo
- 2011 Annual Review Call

Relevant Documents (hyperlink):

- Application for Advancement to Candidacy/Final Report the Master's Degree
- Application for Qualifying Examination
- Report on Final Examination of the Ph.D. Degree
- Graduate Advisors Handbook

Action: Discuss subcommittee comments and review draft memo for the Graduate Group Policies and Procedures Call.

VIII. Executive Session – *GRC Voting Members Only*

15 min

Upcoming GRC Agenda Items:

• Applied Mathematics CCGA Proposal- UCM Internal Reviewers were received. Revised proposal and UCM Internal Reviewer comments will be sent to Graduate Dean for comments.

Action Requested: Discuss UCM Internal Reviewer comments.

Graduate Student Issues – GSA report under review by graduate programs and schools, response requested by 12/04
 Action Requested: Discuss how GRC can help address these issues within its own policies and in recommendations to units impacting graduate students.

Continuing Fellowship Rankings

Action Requested: Review applications and provide ranking to the Graduate Division by April 8.

· On-line CRF System - under discussion with UGC and German Gavilan

Action Requested: GRC review and approval of specifications for system and cost estimate request.

Graduate Regulations

Action Requested: Discuss if GRC should draft graduate regulations to be included in the UC Merced Regulations.

• Required Core Facilities

Background: Office of Research will be requesting input on required Core Facilities

Academic Senate Awards

Action Requested: Review nominations for Distinction in Research, Distinguished Early Career Research, and Distinguished Graduate Teaching/Mentoring Awards by March 20.

Graduate Advisors Handbook

Action Requested: Solicit input from GRC members on required revisions.

Coordination of Graduate Student Support Services

Action Requested: Discuss how the coordination of services available to graduate students can best be leveraged by Graduate Division and Graduate Student Services.

• Web Support for Graduate Programs

Action Requested: Discuss web support and plan for monitoring of content to conform to UC and WASC requirements for graduate program websites.

Informational:

• Interdisciplinary Humanities CCGA Proposal- GRC sent approved proposal

Status Update: Chancellor & Provost/EVC Peterson transmitted proposal to UCOP and CCGA. CCGA has assigned reviewers.

Political Science CCGA Proposal- GRC approved proposal

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