

Graduate and Research Council (GRC)

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

	AGENDA	Pg.	Time
I.	Chair's Report – Professor Valerie Leppert		10 min
	- DivCo (5/21)		
	- Reminder: Email Consent Items		
II.	Consent Calendar		
	- Approval of the Agenda		
	- Subject to the approval of the CRF Subcommittee:		
	• CHEM 260		
	• ES 222		
	• ME 244/ME 144		
	• ME 280		
	• QSB 297L		
	• QSB 297		
III.	Faculty Research Grants		15 min
	Background: A total of 35 proposals were received totaling \$217,651.93 in funding requests. Provost/EVC Peterson has provided \$130,000 for distribution. Applications are available on crops.		
	• Ranking Instructions		
	• Member Rankings- Faculty Research Grants		
	• Draft- Notification Letter to Approved Proposals		
	• Draft- Notification Letter to Declined Proposals		
	Action: Review member rankings and determine the cutoff lines.		
IV.	Annual Review: Graduate Group Policies & Procedures		40 min
	Background: On May 2, GRC sent the call for annual review of Graduate Group Policies and Procedures. Deadline for submission was May 21, 2013.		
	• Memo to Graduate Groups		
	A. Applied Mathematics		
	Action: Review revisions and respond to Applied Mathematics.		
	B. Biological Engineering & Small-scale Technologies		
	Action: Review revisions and respond to Physics.		
	C. Chemistry & Chemical Biology		
	Action: Review revisions and respond to Social Sciences.		
	D. Cognitive Sciences		
	Action: Review revisions and respond to Applied Mathematics.		

E. Electrical Engineering

Action: Review revisions and respond to Physics.

F. Environmental Sciences

Action: Review revisions and respond to Social Sciences.

G. Mechanical Engineering

Action: Review revisions and respond to Applied Mathematics.

H. Physics

Action: Review revisions and respond to Physics.

I. Psychological Sciences

Action: Review revisions and respond to Social Sciences.

J. Quantitative Systems Biology

Action: Review revisions and respond to Applied Mathematics.

K. Social Sciences

Action: Review revisions and respond to Physics.

L. World Cultures

Action: Review revisions and respond to Social Sciences.

V. Advisory Committee on Research Safety- *Professor Jason Hein* 5 min

Background: Provost/EVC Peterson has delegated the authority to Vice Chancellor of Research Traina to create a Joint Senate Administration Advisory Committee on Research Safety.

- Provost/EVC to VCR- Delegation of Authority Memo
- Proposed Charge

Action: Discuss the revised charge for forwarding to the Office of Research.

VII. Graduate Program Review Policy 10 min

Background: GRC was asked to revise the Graduate Program Review Policy to allow the establishment of a joint Undergraduate-Graduate Program Review Committee.

- [Graduate Program Review Policy](#)
- Revised- Graduate Program Review Policy

Action: Review revised Graduate Program Review Policy and approve for forwarding to DivCo.

VI. CRF On-line System 10 min

Background: The proposed GRC workflow and current UGC workflow have been revised to create a Unified CRF Workflow to streamline the integration of the graduate course requests components.

- Revised CRF Policy
- Revised CRF Form
- New Unified CRF Workflow
- CRF & CCGA Submission Deadlines

Action: Review and approve the revised CRF documents for forwarding to all graduate groups.

Informational:

- **Applied Mathematics CCGA Proposal- GRC**
Status Update: Chancellor & Provost/EVC Peterson transmitted proposal to UCOP and CCGA.
- **Interdisciplinary Humanities CCGA Proposal**
Status Update: Chancellor & Provost/EVC Peterson transmitted proposal to UCOP and CCGA. CCGA has assigned reviewers.
- **Political Science CCGA Proposal**
Status Update: CCGA approved the Political Science CCGA Proposal on May 1, 2013. CCGA transmitted their approval UCOP.

GC Agenda Items for Next Year:

- **Graduate Student Issues**
Action Requested: Discuss how GRC can help address these issues within its own policies and in recommendations to units impacting graduate students.
- **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
- **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.