Graduate and Research Council (GRC) Tuesday, September 25, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. ***KL 362***

AGENDA Time

I. Chair's Report – Professor Valerie Leppert

5 min

- DivCo Meeting (9/13)
- Office of Communications- Graduate Recruitment Promotion Plans

II. Consent Calendar

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the September 11 Meeting Minutes

III. Committee Structure

5 min

Action: Discussion

IV. Library Subcommittee

8 min

Background: The UCM library has been envisioned as a digital resource, but research and teaching needs call for physical resources as well. An appropriately structured committee is needed to address this issue this academic year.

Action: Discuss committee composition, charge, and membership and forward recommendations to DivCo.

V. Library Subcommittee/UCOLASC

2 min

A GRC representative is needed for the UCM library committee and for the systemwide library committee (UCOLASC). UCOLASC meeting schedule: February 22 and April 26 in Oakland.

Action: Identify and approve GRC representative to the UCM library committee and UCOLASC.

VI. 2012-2013 Graduate Program Review

15 min

Action: Discuss how GRC would like to proceed with the programs that are currently scheduled to undergo program review in 2012-2013.

Graduate Program Review Policy and Procedures available:

http://senate.ucmerced.edu/sites/senate/files/public/GraduateProgramReviewPolicy FIN AL2.29.12-2.doc.pdf

VII. Revised Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) Policies and Bylaws

5 min

Background: Revisions to this document address rights of affiliate faculty and waiver of coursework requirements for PhD students transferring from another institution or coming in with a M.S. The new document is expected to become binding for students

enrolling in 2012-2013. Previous version contained conflicting language with Graduate Advisors Handbook regarding the transfer of credit for graduate students. Enclosed is the language of Graduate Advisors Handbook.

Action: Review revisions and respond to EECS.

VIII. Timeline for Review of Graduate Group Policies and Procedures

5 min

Background: When a graduate group is established it must submit policies and procedures to GRC, but there is no policy for GRC to review changes made to the existing policies. Last year, GRC decided to begin the practice of annually reviewing Graduate Group Policies and Procedures to ensure that changes in polices are consistent with systemwide and campus policies.

Action: Discuss a GRC timeline for review of revised Graduate Group Policies and Procedures for 2012-2013.

IX. Support for Graduate-level WASC Substantive Change & Assessment

10 min

Background: Chris Kello, Acting Dean of the Graduate Division and Laura Martin, Coordinator for Institutional Assessment are asking for recommendations on how to most effectively leverage a new half-time position which will be dedicated to supporting the development and implementation of graduate level program assessment, including related support for CCGA and WASC Substantive Change proposal development.

Action: Review request and send recommendation to DivCo by October 5.

X. Role of GRC and Senate in Strategic Focusing

15 min

Action: Discussion

XI. Model for Graduate Program Funding for AY 12-13

15 min

Action: Continue discussion of UCEP and Graduate Division funding.

XII. Disposition of Expenditure Reports for Previous GRC Allocations

5 min

Background: Last year, Graduate Groups were instructed to submit at the end of the fiscal year as a condition for receiving future funding expenditure reports.

Action: Decide how GRC would like to handle the expenditure reports.

Upcoming GRC Agenda Items:

• CRFs

GRC will receive 27 CRFs (all new courses) from Political Science and 1 CRF (new course) from QSB. *Action Requested*: Approve CRFs and notify the Registrar by October 10.

• Draft 2013 WASC Handbook:

Action Requested: Review and send comments to DivCo by October 12.

Rebenching

- Rebenching Budget Committee Report- Outlines framework and recommendations to increase the transparency and equity in the formula for allocating state funds across the ten campuses.
 Available: http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/senate/Rebenchingreviewpacket.pdf
- Enrollment Management Principles in Context of Rebenching- Endorses a set of principles as a baseline for a discussion of how rebenching requires enrollment management, and that enrolment planning should address some of the restructuring issues of the University budget.

Available: http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/senate/reports/RMA2Yudof Dorr Brostrom Rebenching080 912FINALdocx.pdf

Action Requested: Opine and send comments to DivCo by October 22.

• Revisions of APM 700

Action Requested: Opine and send comments to DivCo by November 9.

• New APM Section 430

Action Requested: Opine and send comments to DivCo by November 9.

• Open Access Policy

Action Requested: Review and send comments to DivCo by November 28.

• Graduate Dean Search

Action Requested: Discussion

• Graduate Student Issues

Action Requested: Discuss how GRC can help address these problems.

• Graduate Regulations

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

• Strategic Focusing

Background: Campus will be going through strategic focusing this year. GRC is likely to be involved in senate consultation during this process.

• Required Core Facilities

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

• Internal Reviewers for CCGA Proposals

Action requested: Identify internal reviewers for CCGA Proposal submitted to GRC.

• Systemwide Review Items: Informational

- o Senate-Administration Graduate Issues Working Group Final Report GSIWG
- Report of the Academic Task Force on Academic Graduate Student Support CAGSS
 Available:http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/senate/reports/CAGSSGradCompetitivenessPaper_072012.pg
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