

**GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)**

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

**1:30 – 3:00 PM****KL 360**Zoom URL: <https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/2092009728>

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| I.   | <b>Executive Session</b>   | <b>0 Min</b>  |
| II.  | <b>Chair's Report</b>  | <b>5 Min</b>  |
| III. | <b>Consent Calendar</b>  | <b>5 Min</b>  |
|      | A. The agenda (1/21)   |               |
|      | B. Minutes from <a href="#">11/20</a> and <a href="#">12/11</a> meetings   |               |
|      | C. <a href="#">Psychological Sciences</a> revised P&P  |               |
| IV.  | <b>Revised P&amp;P: <a href="#">Physics</a>—<i>Alex Theodoridis, Linda-Ann Rebhun</i></b>  | <b>5 Min</b>  |
|      | <b>Action Requested:</b> Review and transmit GC decision to the Physics Graduate Program.  |               |
| V.   | <b>Campus Review Items</b>   | <b>15 Min</b> |
|      | A. <b>Interim Policy for Enrollment Management of Impacted Programs—<i>Shawn Newsam, Alex Theodoridis</i></b>  |               |
|      | The <a href="#">policy</a> was developed by Undergraduate Council and its Admissions and Financial Aid and Scholarships subcommittee. GC is a lead committee for this review. Comments are also being solicited under separate cover from department chairs and administrative leadership. Member Newsam's comments are available <a href="#">here</a> . |               |
|      | <b>Action Requested:</b> Transmit Graduate Council comments to Senate Chair by 2/7/20.   |               |
| VI.  | <b>Catalog Revisions—<i>Chair Westerling</i></b>   | <b>5 Min</b>  |
|      | Graduate Division has submitted proposed catalog <a href="#">revisions for 10 Programs</a> . Catalog updates are due to Registrar's on March 1 (or later).   |               |
|      | <b>Action Requested:</b> Form a Catalog Revision Review subcommittee (corresponding to review of P&Ps), whose review will be due at GC's 2/4 and 2/18 meetings.  |               |
| VII. | <b>Inquiry from MBSE about revising PLOs and its impact on CRF Process —<i>Chair Westerling</i></b>  | <b>5 Min</b>  |
|      | MBSE's revised P&P (submitted on January 15, 2020) has an additional PLO (PLO 6), to which some courses being proposed for Fall 2020 are linked. MBSE is asking if the syllabi accompanying the CRFs should list PLO 6 or not.   |               |
|      | <b>Action Requested:</b> Respond to MBSE with an answer by the end of business on 1/21/20.   |               |

- VIII. Discussion Item: CatCourses Auto-Populate Contents—*Chair Westerling* 10 Min**  
Following GC’s proposal, the CatCourses Work Group has consulted with administrative units on contents that will be auto-populated in CatCourses, which are available in [the draft policy document](#). The [cover memo to UGC](#) provides useful context.

**Action Requested:** Review and approve the policy document, to be forwarded to IT (upon approval by both committees) for implementation in Fall 2020 courses.

- IX. Discussion Item: GRE requirement—*Chair Westerling* 10 Min**  
UC Merced is currently the only UC campus that requires GRE as a campus; at other campuses the GRE requirements are at the discretion of graduate programs. Members are invited to consider revision of the admissions policy<sup>1</sup>, to delegate the decision to the individual Graduate Groups.

**Action Requested:** Revise Graduate P&P Handbook and Template accordingly.

- X. Consultation with VPDGE 10 Min**  
A. Updates on admissions  
B. Preparation for potential Supreme Court decision on DACA

- XI. New Business?**

<sup>1</sup> See Graduate P&P Handbook, pages 3 and 5:  
[https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/sites/graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/files/page/documents/grad\\_handbook\\_2019\\_2020\\_uc\\_merced\\_published.pdf](https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/sites/graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/files/page/documents/grad_handbook_2019_2020_uc_merced_published.pdf)