

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Monday, April 11, 2022

1:30 – 2:35 PM

COB 2 Room 392

Zoom [URL:https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/8312699469](https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/8312699469)

Zoom Phone:1 669 900 6833, Meeting ID: 8312699469

Documents available in [box](#)[Graduate Council Duties](#)**I. Chair's Report (1:30-1:45)—Chair Hestir**

- A. Divisional Council (4/7)
- B. CCGA (4/6)

II. Consent Calendar (1:45-1:45)—Chair Hestir

- A. The agenda (4/11/22)
- B. [Minutes from the 3/14/22 meeting](#)
- C. [Revised MIST P&Ps](#)
- D. Petitions for Graduate Students to Teach Upper Division Courses
[Brown, Madeline ENGR180 202220 \(recusal: Chair Hestir\)](#)
[Perez-Lopez, Edgar ENGR120 202220](#)

III. Systemwide Review Items (1:45-1:55)—Chair Hestir

- A. [Presidential Policy on Affiliations with Certain Healthcare Organizations](#)

No action requested at this time. Member Hratchian will provide his comments by April 18, 2022. The proposal and associated comments will be discussed at the April 25, 2022 GC meeting.

Deadline: April 29, 2022

Lead Reviewer: Hrant Hratchian

IV. Graduate Division Updates (1:55-2:10)—Interim VPDGE Chris Kello

- A. Update on admissions, Statement of Intent to Register (SIR)
- B. Grow your own partnerships

V. [UC Merced Engagement in UC-HBCU Initiative](#) (2:10-2:20)—Chair Hestir

- A. How to increase the number of UC-HBCU faculty grants awarded to UCM
- B. How to increase UC-HBCU fellow doctoral enrollment

VI. [Senate Regulation 520 and 454](#) (2:20-2:30)—Chair Hestir

[SR 520](#) states the following: Entering foreign graduate students are required to pass the regular examination in English required of entering foreign undergraduate students. [See SR 454]

[SR 454](#) states the following: “An English language examination approved by the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools is required to determine the proficiency of applicants for admission whose native language is other than English, unless they come with satisfactory credentials from an institution in which the language of instruction is in English. No credit is assigned on the basis of this examination. Applicants who do

not meet the minimum level of proficiency required by the campus(es) to which they have applied will not meet the minimum requirements for admission to the University. (Am 17 June 2009)”

Some members of Council of Graduate Deans advocate for abolishing the English language testing requirement altogether, whereas others advocate for either rewording it.

Requested Action: Members to engage in further discussion.

VII. New Business? (2:30-2:35)

VIII. Informational Items

- A. [Fall 2022 New Student Enrollment Projection Update](#)

IX. Executive Session: Physics P&Ps–(2:35-3:00)

Executive Session Agenda and materials were provided to the prospective attendees.