

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Monday, May 9, 2022

1:30 – 3:00 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. Consultation with UGC Chair, Holley Moyes (1:30-1:40)**

- A. Accreditation concerns regarding campus definitions of online courses/programs: revisiting recent revisions to the course proposal supplemental questionnaire

The CRF subcommittee met with UGC on February 2, 2022 and collaborated to revise the supplemental form and rubric to specify:

- Student participation in instructional activities (“Academic Engagement”)
- Substantive interaction between instructors and students (“Faculty -initiated Regular and Substantive Interaction”)
- Student expectations for participating in online modality, e.g., netiquette
- Syllabi for distance education courses communicate the average number of hours per week students should expect to spend on coursework. (In other words, the credit hour policy as applied to the course.)

Proposed Revisions to the CRF Policy are available [here](#).

Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO) Martin’s response to the proposed revisions to the CRF policy is available [here](#).

Requested Action: GC to revise Procedures and Policies for Approval of New Graduate Courses and Graduate Course Changes to define in-person (onsite) education to be 50% or more of the instruction and interaction (i.e., contact hours) occurs with students and the faculty physically present together.

II. Chair’s Report (1:40-1:50)–Chair Hestir

- A. Regular Check-in Meeting with UGC Chair Moyes, VPDUE Frey, and VPDGE Kello (5/2)
- B. Divisional Council (5/5)
- C. CCGA (5/4)

III. Consent Calendar (1:50-1:50)—Chair Hestir

- A. The agenda (5/9/22)

IV. Systemwide Review Items (1:50-2:00)—Chair Hestir

- A. [Report of the Negotiated Salary Trial Program Phase 2 Taskforce](#)

Requested Action: Identify a lead reviewer. Lead reviewer will provide their comments by Monday, May 16, 2022. Voting members will be invited to review a draft memo before transmittal to the Senate Chair.

Deadline for comments to the Senate Chair: May 27, 2022.

- B. [APM - 715 and APM – 760](#)

Materials are available in GC's shared box folder [here](#).

Requested Action: GC to determine if Council will opine. If GC decides to opine, identify a lead reviewer. Lead reviewer will provide their comments by Monday, May 23, 2022. Voting members will be invited to review a draft memo before transmittal to the Senate Chair.

Deadline for comments to the Senate Chair: June 3, 2022.

V. Graduate Division Updates (2:00-2:20)—Interim VPDGE Chris Kello

- A. Mentorship workshop debrief
- B. Graduation numbers
- C. [Revisions to the Handbook](#)

Requested Action: Vote to approve the revisions.

VI. Consultation with Graduate Student Tyrome Sweet (2:20-2:35)

- A. [UC Merced Engagement in the UC Historically Black Colleges and University \(HBCU\) Initiative](#)

At its April 11 meeting, GC held a discussion regarding how to increase the number of UC-HBCU faculty grants awarded to UCM and how to increase UC-HBCU fellow doctoral enrollment. Graduate Student Tyrome Sweet is joining today's meeting to further discuss UC Merced Engagement in the UC-HBCU Initiative.

Requested Action: Members to engage in discussion and determine next steps.

VII. Graduate Student Rights and Responsibilities with Graduate Student Representative Edgar Perez-Lopez (2:35-2:55)

VIII. New Business? (2:55-3:00)

IX. Informational Items

- A. [Summer 2022 Enrollment - April 25, 2022](#)
- B. [Fall 2022 Enrollment - April 25, 2022](#)
- C. [CRE Memo to GC](#) - Endorsement of Bylaw Amendments (Student Selection, Appointment, and Participation)
- D. [Fall Enrollment - May 2, 2022](#)