Graduate Council (GC) Tuesday, October 7, 2014 1:30-3:30pm KL 362

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AGENDA Pg. Time

I. Chair's Report – Professor Kathleen Hull

2 min

- Welcome and Introduction of New Members
- Joint Policy Subcommittee (10/3)
- Faculty Professional Development Series- Graduate Education Two-Day Event
 - October 13: Writing Reference Letter for students applying for National Predoc Fellowships
 - October 15: Funding and Mentoring Graduate Students

II. Vice Chair's Report- Professor Michael Dawson

3 min

- CCGA (10/1)

III. Consent Calendar

- Approval of the Agenda

IV. Council Structure 5 min

GC operates with three standing subcommittees: Awards Subcommittee (makes recommendations for all graduate student fellowships), CRF Subcommittee (reviews and makes recommendations regarding all graduate courses), and Policy Review Subcommittee (reviews all campus and systemwide policies). For the review of proposals to establish standalone graduate programs a GC member will be assigned as the lead reviewer. The CCGA lead reviewers coordinate the review of a specific CCGA Proposal from the moment the proposal is received by the Graduate Council.

Action: Discuss assignments to subcommittees and CCGA proposals.

V. Graduate Group Policies and Procedures Template

10 min

On September 9, GC discussed the draft Graduate Group Policies and Procedures based on a similar document from UC Davis and agreed to forward the draft template to the Policy Subcommittee for their consideration. The Policy Subcommittee compared the current format for graduate group policies on campus and revision proposed should facilitate the implementation for graduate groups and expedite review by GC.

- Revised Template- Graduate Group Policies and Procedures
- Modified Template Overview

Action: Discuss the revision made by the policy subcommittee and determine next steps for approval of the revised Graduate Group Policies and Procedures Template.

VI. Review of the 2015-2016 Continuing Student Fellowship Guidelines

10 min

GC was asked by the Graduate Division to provide feedback on the draft 2015-2016 Continuing Graduate Student Fellowship Guidelines. The Graduate Student Opportunity Program (GSOP) Fellowship is a new, developed directly from the Faculty Mentorship Program Fellowship.

- Faculty Mentor Program (FMP)
- Graduate Student Opportunity Program Fellowship
- Fletcher Jones Fellowship (FJ)
- Miguel Velez Fellowship (MV)
- President's Dissertation Year (PDY) Fellowship
- Graduate Dean Dissertation Year (GDDY) Fellowship

Action: Review guidelines and send edits to the Graduate Division by October 17.

VII. Discussion Item:

10 min

A. Distinction of Graduate Group Tracks, Emphasis, Concentrations & Minor Areas

Last year, GC received a request from a graduate group on the possibility of establishing a graduate minor and another request to create emphasis areas that would appear in graduate student transcripts. GC requested information from ALO Martin asking if establishing non-degree graduate programs would trigger a Substantive Change Review and ALO Martin conveyed that WASC would need to be notified of the establishment of non-degree graduate programs. GC members agreed to explore the development of a policy to ensure clarity, uniformity, establish a mechanism for programmatic review, and a consultation process with the administration to ensure appropriate resource allocation.

- Graduate Group request to establish a graduate minor
- Graduate Group request to establish emphasis areas
- ALO Memo to GC
- Graduate Degree Annotations at UCSC

Action: Discuss if GC would like to develop a policy for transcripts and draft policies to establish non-degree granting programs.

VIII. Executive Session- GC Members Only

50 min