

Graduate Council (GC)
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 11, 2015
1:00-2:30PM

I. Chair's Report – Professor Kathleen Hull

- CCGA (2/4)

Chair Hull reported on the following items discussed at CCGA:

- The UCM Sociology CCGA Proposal was approved.
- CCGA continued the discussion regarding compellingness of SSPs.
- UCOP will be undertaking a public campaign about why UC matters.
- CCGA Members discussed the Open Access Policy for non-ladder rank faculty and others and made a recommendation to extend the allotted time for the embargo period.
- Academic Planning Council discussed degree titles for professional programs (Masters of X) as each professional program would mean a new degree title for each campus. Further discussion will be needed, as CCGA would like to do approvals of professional degree titles on a case-by-case basis and the UC Provost would like a blanket approval for such new professional degree titles.
- Advancement to Candidacy: CCGA has clarified the language in SR 682.

- DivCo/CAPRA/Provost Meeting (2/5)

Chair Hull indicated that the goal of the meeting was to follow-up on CAPRA's request to Provost/EVC Peterson regarding the FTE Allocation Process. Provost/EVC Peterson noted that the Strategic Academic Focusing exercise is complete and ready to move forward. In addition, FTE allocations will be influenced by space availability and cost of start-up packages. Once the Provost/EVC Peterson has all the information, the FTE allocations will be made in the foundational and academic focus areas. Provost/EVC Peterson envisions that foundational disciplines will receive a large amount of FTE lines at the beginning and that allocation will not be equitable but strategic.

- GC February 25 Meeting- Gregg Camfield, Interim Vice Provost for Faculty and Becky Gubser, Associate Director of Academic Personnel will be attending and the following items were identified for discussion:

- Possibility of adding a new MAPP section for appointment and review of graduate group chairs similar to the UC Davis APM.
- Update on the proposed MAPP section governing the appointment of graduate student employment titles.

II. GC Representative Report

- Academic Honesty Task Force (2/4)- Professor Ramesh Balasubramaniam

The task force is working on finalizing the survey to faculty regarding how often faculty are experiencing issues of academic misconduct. Regarding graduate students, issues of academic misconduct will be separated into academic and research misconduct.

III. Consent Calendar

- The agenda was unanimously approved as presented.
- The CRFs listed below were approved as presented:
 - SOC 212: Advanced Topics in Quantitative Sociology
 - SOC 216: Qualitative Methods
 - SOC 220: Political Sociology
 - SOC 240: Sociology of Organizations
 - SOC 245: Sociology of Health
 - SOC 261: Graduate Seminar of Sexualities
- The Political Sciences and Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Graduate Group Bylaws were unanimously approved.

IV. Review of the UCM Graduate Council Bylaws

Standing committees have been asked to review their relevant sections of the Division Bylaws and submit any revisions to CRE.

Action: GC will discuss and approve proposed revisions via email.

V. Policy for Non-ladder Faculty Eligibility to Teach Graduate Courses

Proposed revisions to the policy include explicitly stating that the policy encompasses post-doctoral scholars and that the justification memo provided by graduate groups must address staffing needs for the program.

The following revisions were discussed:

- Revise language regarding postdoctoral scholars to clarify that a postdoctoral scholar should be teaching elective courses and only under extreme circumstances will GC approve postdoctoral scholars teaching core graduate courses.
- Revise language under the section “Graduate Students teaching graduate students”.

Action: GC will review the proposed revision to the policy via email.

VI. Executive Session- *GC Members Only*

No minutes were recorded for this portion of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Kathleen Hull, Chair

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