

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

1:30 – 2:25 PM

COB 1 Room 320

Zoom URL: <https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/84757526508> Passcode: 050205

Zoom Phone: 1 669 900 6833, Meeting ID: 84757526508

Documents available in [box](#)[Graduate Council Duties](#)**I. Chair's Report (1:30-1:35)—Chair Hestir**A. Divisional Council (11/18)—see [here](#) for the full report.**II. Vice Chair's Report (1:35-1:50)—Vice Chair Ha**

A. Graduate Chairs' Meeting

B. PROC

III. Consent Calendar (1:50-1:55)—Chair Hestir

A. The agenda (11/30)

B. [Minutes](#) from the 11/16 meeting

C. Petition for a Graduate Student to Teach an Upper Division Course

[Cruz, Nicholas 202210 POLI 140](#) (Transitions to Democracy)D. [Draft approval memo](#) on Economics P&Ps and Bylaws**Action Requested:** Approval of the Consent Calendar**IV. Systemwide Review Items (1:55-2:00)**A. [Proposed Revised APM 025 \(and 671\)](#) (by 11/30)—Member Hratchian

The proposed revisions to APM 025 (Conflict of Commitment and Outside Activities of Faculty Members and Designated Other Academic Appointees) extends its applicability to postdoctoral scholars and other academic appointees who are not faculty, and creates subcategories (A and B) for Outside Activities categories I and II, with some differences in reporting requirements across subcategories and appointment types. 671 applies to Health Sciences Compensation Plan Participants (not applicable to UC Merced).

B. [Proposed Presidential Policy on Abusive Conduct/Bullying in the Workplace](#) (by 12/6)—Chair Hestir

This is a newly proposed policy “responsive to a request from the Regents and the Academic Senate for a systemwide policy that addresses the University’s responsibilities and procedures related to abusive conduct/bullying” (per cover letter). Chair Hestir’s comments are [here](#).

Action Requested: Transmit GC comments to Senate Chair.**V. Discussion Item: Online Courses (2:00-2:10) —Member Ilan**

Member Ilan updates GC on the UGC/GC discussions with VPDUE Frey, CETL and OIT on online instructional training, resources and evaluation tools.

Action Requested: Determine the role of CETL consultation on online course delivery. Discuss revised definition of online/hybrid courses.**VI. Discussion Item: Graduate Student Teachers (2:10-2:20)—Chair Hestir**

Registrar Webb provided data on graduate students identified in the schedule of courses as “instructor.” Members discuss the need for professional training of graduate students, as well as the need for campus-wide policy/guideline, based on [the data](#) presented as figures by Chair Hestir.

Action Requested: Determine the need for student professional development and for guidelines.

VII. Consultation with Vice Provost/Dean of Graduate Education (2:20-2:25) —Interim VPDGE Chris Kello
PhD admissions & fellowships update

VIII. New Business?

IX. Informational Items

X. Executive Session (2:25-3:00)