

**Graduate Council Report to Board of Trustees Academic and Student Affairs Committee  
June 18, 2018**

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I would like to begin by thanking my predecessor, Andrea Kalinoski, for her excellent leadership of Graduate Council and advocacy for graduate faculty during the past year. Dr. Kalinoski was instrumental in facilitating input on the College of Graduate Studies Strategic Plan by Graduate Council.

This report highlights the activities from Graduate Council's April 17 and May 1 meetings as well as the work of the Graduate Council Executive Committee to prepare for Fall. Dr. Phillip Cockrell discussed the UT Emergency Response Guide. This guide offers faculty and staff information to help deal with students who are in distress for any reason. Dr. Amy Thompson also gave a brief presentation from her Crisis Response Training about common risk behaviors among college students, how to identify them and services available for at-risk students. Our discussion focused on how the Emergency Response Guide and Crisis Response Training applies to graduate students and the resources available to help graduate students.

The Academic Programs and Regulations Committee (APRC) completed their review of the proposed Co-listed Course policy and Research Misconduct (3364-70-21) policy. Graduate Council voted to endorse the Co-listed course policy and the Graduate Council Executive Committee (GCEC) sent the APRC's comments for the Research Misconduct policy to the Office of Research for consideration by Research Council.

A draft revision of the Academic Grievance policy was sent to the Academic Standing Committee to review and the GCEC will review the suggested changes before sending the policy to the APRC for review.

At our last meeting of the academic year, Graduate Council endorsed the College of Graduate Studies Strategic Plan.

In May Graduate Council leadership changes for the next year. Dr. Beth Schlemper from the College of Arts and Letters was elected vice-chair. The elected at-large members of the executive committee are Dr. Edward Janak from the Judith Herb College of Education, Dr. Nagalakshmi Nadiminty from the College of Medicine and Dr. Martha Sexton from the College of Nursing.

The Executive Committee is working this summer to develop Graduate Council's agenda for the Fall term. One important part of that agenda will be working with the College of Graduate Studies (COGS) to implement Area Two of the COGS strategic plan: Advance excellence in research, scholarship and creative activities.

The Graduate Council looks forward to continuing partnership with COGS, the Provost's office, the Graduate Student Association, and UT faculty, staff and students in supporting our graduate and professional programs.

Respectfully,  
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