

Graduate Council Report to Board of Trustees Academic and Student Affairs Committee August 15, 2016

Since the last report to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Graduate Council Executive Committee (GCEC), has met during the summer term with a focus on preparation of for the upcoming academic year. As part of this preparation, the GCEC is working to re-populate our standing committees. These standing committees hold important roles advancing the quality of graduate programs and scholarship through their work in, review of curriculum proposals as part of Graduate Councils role in approval of new courses or programs. Other standing committees make decisions on eligibility of faculty for membership on the graduate faculty, mediate graduate student grievances and participate in academic policy formation and program review.

This summer, the GCEC has acted on curriculum proposals as encumbered by the full Graduate Council at our last meeting of the academic year and has appointed Dr. Patricia Relue to Research Council.

The Graduate Council continues to strengthen our partnership with Faculty Senate. Mary Humphrys, Amu Thompson and the GC leadership have been working together to identify joint areas of concern for undergraduate and graduate students.

Graduate Council look forward to working closely with the new College of Graduate Studies Dean, Amanda Byrant-Friedrich, and Provost Andrew Hsu in the upcoming academic year with the goal of enhancing graduate education in partnership with the administration.

Respectfully,
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