MEETING AGENDA
GRADUATE COUNCIL
Thursday, February 13, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Academic Senate Conference Room, 338 Aldrich Hall

I. CHAIR’S REPORT
- CCGA Diversity Requirement
- SSGPDP Subcommittee Update
- 2019-20 Distinguished Faculty Awards – February 19, 2020

II. CCGA REPORT
February 5, 2020 Meeting – Vice Chair Linda Cohen

III. GRADUATE DEAN’S REPORT
Dean Gillian Hayes

IV. ASSOCIATED GRADUATE STUDENTS REPORT
AGS Reps: Matthew Brand & Daniel Ganz

V. CONSENT ITEMS
A. Minutes: January 9, 2020 Meeting

B. Program Modification Requests:
   1. Social Sciences: 4+1 MA in Philosophy, Political Science and Economics (lead: J. Smith) continued from 1/9/20 meeting
   2. Nursing: Masters Entry Program in Nursing (lead: A. Rajaraman)
      Reviewers: Subcommittee for Graduate Courses and Program Modifications
                  A. Rajaraman, J. Smith, M. Szalay & Y. Xuan
      Action Requested: The Subcommittee will review all proposed modifications and be ready to discuss any of them should members of the Council have questions. If any of the proposed changes are substantive, the members will discuss the proposed changes prior to voting for approval.

VI. ACTION ITEMS
A. Emphasis in Global Middle East Studies – continued from 2018-19
   Issue: The proposed emphasis has been under review since January 2019. After several requests for clarifications, there are four remaining syllabi under consideration:
   ART HIS 155D South Asian Photography
   CL 210 Nationalisms Left and Right
   VS 295 Transnational/Translocal Cinema and Media
   PS 249A Global Humanitarianism and Its Critics
   Lead Reviewer: Michael Szalay
   Guest: Past Chair Glen Mimura – 10:00 a.m.
   Action: Grad Council will determine the next step.

   B. Suspension of Admissions – Terminal MA in Medicine, Science & Technology Studies
Issue: The program is requesting to suspend admissions for the Fall 2020 admissions cycle.
Lead Reviewers: Subcommittee for Courses (Lead: J. Smith)
Action: Grad Council will vote to approve or reject the proposal.

C. Implementation of Student Course Feedback Form – continued from 1/9/20 meeting
Issue: After a pilot phase in 2018-19, CTLSE voted to implement the Student Course Feedback Form with a mandate for campuswide use. Grad Council has been asked to consider 1) preference for the old form versus the new form and 2) support of mandated implementation of the new form campuswide. Results of the pilot are now available for Grad Council review.
Lead Reviewers: Syed Jafar & Erik Sudderth
Action: Grad Council to provide comments by 2/10/20.

D. Advantages and Disadvantages of Quarters vs. Semesters
Issue: APG convened a task force to conduct an analysis of the transition from a quarter to a semester system. Grad Council has been asked to review the advantages and disadvantages presented and provide suggestions.
Lead Reviewers: Chuansheng Chen & Ken Simons
Action: Grad Council to provide comments by 3/2/20.

E. English Proficiency Certification for International Teaching Assistants/Associates
Issue: Grad Council reviewed the issue and provided recommendations in 2018-19. Following review by other councils, a task force was convened to establish a new policy on English proficiency.
Lead Reviewers: Syed Jafar & Jaymi Smith
Action: Grad Council to provide comments by 3/9/20.

F. School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Issue: The proposal is undergoing simultaneous campus review and accelerated systemwide review. In addition to the establishment of the School, the transfers of the Master of Pharmacology (SSGPDP) and the MS and PhD in Pharmacological Sciences MS should be considered as well. Grad Council endorsed the School’s pre-proposal in April 2019.
Lead Reviewers: Feng Qiao & Jaymi Smith
Action: Grad Council to provide final comments by 3/30/20.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
A. SSGPDP Students Employed as TAs – continued from 1/9/20 meeting
Issue: Grad Council is asked to consider allowing SSGPDP students to serve as TAs.
Presenter: Dean Hayes
Action: Grad Council to review the revised statement from the last meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Future Agenda Items:
Revised Doctor of Pharmacy (PDST)
GRE Requirement Removal – 3/12/20 meeting