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

I. CHAIR’S REPORT

II. CCGA REPORT
January 8, 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: December 12, 2019 Meeting

B. Program Modification Requests:
   1. Engineering: MS/PhD in Civil and Environmental Engineering (lead: all)
      Concurrent Master’s Degree with Urban Planning and Public Policy
   2. Humanities: PhD in Spanish (lead: M. Szalay)
   3. Social Sciences: 4+1 MA in Philosophy, Political Science and Economics (lead: J. Smith)
      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. Implementation of Student Course Feedback Form
   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.
   Lead Reviewers: Syed Jafar & Erik Sudderth
   Action: GC to provide comments by 2/10/20.

B. SSGPDP Students Employed as TAs – continued from 12/12/19 meeting

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
A. Transfer and Waiver Policies – continued from 12/12/19 meeting
   Issue: The Grad Division is seeking clarifications on the transfer and waiver policies for graduate courses. At the November meeting, Grad Council decided that the Accelerated MS program in Engineering can continue as originally approved until a new policy is in place.
   Presenter: Dean Hayes

B. SSGPDP Students Employed as TAs – continued from 12/12/19 meeting
Issue: Grad Council is asked to consider allowing SSGPDP students to serve as TAs.
Presenter: Dean Hayes

C. Electronic Signatures for PhD Form II “Report on Final Examination for the PhD Degree”
   Issue: Grad Council is asked to consider allowing electronic signatures on the PhD Form II for more flexibility.
   Presenter: Dean Hayes

D. GRE Removal from Application Requirements
   Issue: Grad Council is asked to consider removing the GRE from the minimum graduate application requirements and simplifying the removal process.
   Presenter: Dean Hayes

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Future Agenda Items:
Revised Doctor of Pharmacy (PDST)
School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences