University Graduate Programs Committee/University Graduate Council September 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present: Marianne Porter, Science; Paul Peluso, UGC Chair; Christopher Beetle, Science; Clifford Brown, A&L; Mihaela Cardei, Engineering; Arthur Sementelli, CDSI; Dawn Frood, Library; Sunghae Ress, Library; Manny Gonzalez, CDSI; Mahyar Shirazi, Medicine; Xupei Huang, Medicine; David Newman, Nursing; Darren Pikul, GPSA; Stephen Charbonneau, A&L; Anita Pennathur, Business;

Others Present: Nancy Condemi, Graduate College; Liana Smith, Graduate College; Bridget Smith, Medicine; Marc Kantorow, Medicine; Brian Hodge, Registrar; Monica Miranda, Graduate College

Absent: Valentine Aalo, Engineering; Education; Sabrina Sembiante, Education; Adam Bradford, GPC Chair, A&L; Ali Danesh, Education; Robert Stackman, Graduate College; Susan Bulfin, Nursing;

- I. Meeting called to order by UGC Chair, Paul Peluso at 2:02pm
 - a. Paul acting as Chair of GPC in place of Adam Bradford
- **II.** The minutes from the last GPC/UGC meeting on August 14th were unanimously approved
- **III.** The below items/curriculum proposals were reviewed:

| Curriculum Document Type | Title | College (Department) | Credit | Action | |
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| Reviewers by College: Library, Science | | | | | |
| Course Change | PAD6149: Governance in Nonprofit Organizations | CDSI | 3 | А | |
| Reviewers by College: Science, Nursing | | | | | |
| Program Change | Master of Science Biomedical Science | Medicine | N/A | AC (changes made) | |
| Program Change | Genomics and Predictive Health Certificate | Medicine | N/A | AC (changes made) | |
| Reviewers by College: Business, Engineering | | | | | |
| New Course | CHM6278- Drug Design | Science | 3 | AC (changes made) | |
| New Course | EVR6417- Paleoenvironments and People | Science | 3 | AC (changes made) | |

New Curriculum Proposals for September 11, 2019

| Additional Discussion Items | | | |
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| Title | Department | | |
| Graduate Certificate Programs | Graduate College | | |

CDSI

i. The Course Change Request for PAD6149: Governance in Nonprofit Organizations was unanimously approved by the committee.

Medicine

- i. The Program Change Request for Master of Science Biomedical Science was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon making thesis related research an option as an elective course in the curriculum table and changing then minimum number of elective credits to 3.
- ii. The Program Change Request for Genomics and Predictive Health Certificate was approved unanimously by the committee contingent upon changing the seminar course to 3 credits, making the total number of credits for the certificate program 12.

Science

- i. The New Course proposal for CHM6278- Drug Design was unanimously approved by the committee contingent upon adding the SAS website to the SAS statement on the syllabus and adding a memo from College of Medicine indicating this course does not interfere with their courses.
- The New Course proposal for EVR6417- Paleoenvironments and People was unanimously approved by the committee contingent upon updating the SAS statement on the syllabus and adding a memo from Arts & Letters indicating this course does not interfere with their courses.
- VIII. Chris Beetle was to remind his College to include memos for New Course proposals.
 - **IX.** Liana is to send out the Graduate Certificate Programs Handout to the department chairs and deans for comments.

GPC was adjourned at 3:00pm. UGC started at 3:00pm,

- **X.** All agenda items recommended by the GPC were unanimously approved by UGC to move forward to the Steering meeting on September 26, 2019.
- **XI.** GPSA announcements and discussion:
 - a. Graduate students plan to meet with Provost and Graduate College Dean on Graduate student stipends and health insurance.
 - b. Darren Pikul invited the colleges to include him on any events going on so that he could participate and spread awareness as well.
 - c. Art Sementelli invited GPSA to the annual Ph.D. Colloquium in the Spring
 - d. Ana Navarro speaking event September 25th and a mixer after the event in Like Oak.

- i. All are welcome.
- e. TedX event on October 26th
- **XII.** Graduate College Dean's Report:
 - a. On behalf of Dr. Robert Stackman, Liana Smith discussed the following:
 - i. Graduate Student stipends and tuition waivers
 - 1. Committee to review tuition benefit policy
 - ii. Graduate Faculty Governance document to be updated by UGC in future (last update was in 2009)
 - iii. 3MT will be in Spring
 - 1. Will send out tentative dates to coordinate with other college's events
- **XIII.** Paul Peluso announced the plan for Graduate Student health insurance will be in the 2020 academic affairs budget.
- **XIV.** Meeting adjourned by UGC Chair, Paul Peluso at 3:31pm

The next Graduate Programs Committee meeting is October 2, 2019