

**University Graduate Council (UGC)  
Florida Atlantic University**

**Wednesday, December 10, 2014**

**3:00 – 4:15 p.m.**

**Engineering East, Bldg. 96 - Rm. 303C – Dean’s Conference Rm.**

**Present:** Frederick Bloetscher, Engineering; Doug Broadfield, Arts & Letters; Ken Johnson, Business; William McDaniel, Business; Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi, Medicine; Joanne Parandjuk, Library; Paul Peluso, Education and UGC Chair; Charles Roberts, Science; Jason Robison, GPSA; Ali Zilouchian, Engineering and Computer Science

**Others Present:** George Young, Business (Guest); Deborah Floyd - Interim Dean, Graduate College; Susan Fulks - Associate Dean, Graduate College; Other Graduate College staff attending: Nancy Diamond, Admissions/Registrar Officer; Althia Ellis, Assistant to the Dean; Danielle Rose, Business Manager; Debra Szabo, Director, Degree Completion

**Absent:** Aloha Balza, GPSA; Chris Beetle, Science; Elwood Hamlin, II, CDSI; David Newman, Nursing; William Rhodes, Engineering and Computer Science; Rachel Santos, CDSI; Zhixiao Xie, Science

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Dr. Paul Peluso.

**I. Call to Order and Sign In**

**II. Approval of Agenda** (distributed in advance)

The agenda was unanimously approved by the council.

**III. Approve Minutes from the November 12, 2014 meeting** (attached and distributed in advance)

The minutes were unanimously approved by the council.

**IV. Report and Recommendations from the University Graduate Programs Committee (UGPC)**

- 1) **Curriculum** – recommendations for approval prior to forwarding to University Faculty Senate Steering Committee. Refer to the UGPC website for specific details about the courses and proposals.

At Dr. Bloetscher’s request, the engineering program change will be tabled until the January UGC meeting.

**University Graduate Programs Committee: Action Agenda- December 3, 2014**

**1. College of Business**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
<a href="#">Memo</a>	<b>Certificate in Professional Accounting</b>	N/A		

**2. College of Engineering and Computer Science**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
<a href="#">Program Change</a>	<b>Civil, Environmental and Geomatics Engineering</b>	N/A		

**University Graduate Programs Committee: Consent Agenda- December 3, 2014**

**1. College of Education**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
<a href="#">Program Change</a>	<b>PhD. Curriculum and Instruction</b>	N/A		

**2. Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
<a href="#">Program Change</a>	<b>Nursing PhD Program</b>	N/A	<b>Change</b>	
<a href="#">Program Change</a>	<b>Doctor of Nursing Practice</b>	N/A	<b>Change</b>	
<a href="#">NGR 6176</a>	<b>Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics II</b>	3	<b>New</b>	
<a href="#">NGR6611</a>	<b>Care of the Family Across the Lifespan: Advanced Nursing Situation</b>	N/A	<b>Change</b>	

**3. College for Design and Social Inquiry**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Recommendation from Steering</b>
<a href="#">SOW6116</a>	<b>Social Work Trauma</b>	3	<b>New</b>	

2) **Other** - any matters regarding curriculum the UGPC wishes to discuss.

**V. Follow-up - President and Provost Meeting**

The Chair gave a brief update on the dialogue between the UGC and the President and Provost. Points of interest included:

- Increasing funding for graduate student research
- Making stipends more competitive
- Increasing graduate student recruitment

Summaries of the departmental visits are available at [www.fau.edu/forum/](http://www.fau.edu/forum/). Committee members were advised to review the highlights provided to confirm accuracy.

**VI. Conditional Admission of Sponsored Graduate-Level Students**

The admission procedure has been thoroughly vetted and is ready for implementation. The “Draft” designation will be removed from the document. A recommendation was made for the form to be reassessed for updates after one year.

**VII. Graduate Dean’s Report**

**1) Doctoral Diplomas**

The registrar will order larger diplomas for doctoral students. No decision has been made regarding the addition of students’ concentrations or specializations to their diplomas.

**2) Graduate Student Research**

Dr. Floyd reported that a dedicated page will be established on the Graduate College website to solicit monetary gifts to support graduate student research. The site will link to all colleges throughout FAU and will enhance, not replace, what each college is doing.

Dr. Floyd contributed \$5000.00 to establish the Graduate Student Research Fund and initiate the campaign. The goal is to endow the fund.

Graduate Research Day is quickly approaching; more involvement of faculty is expected this year than in past years.

**3) Library Requirements for Manuscript Copies and Binding Fees**

Committee members were asked to review their college and departmental policies on manuscript paper copies. All current theses and dissertations are stored electronically and accessible online. Joanne Parandjuk, assistant university librarian, advised that the library will no longer accept and shelve paper copies of manuscripts.

**VIII. Announcements**

Graduation celebration invitation cards were distributed.

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm. The next UGC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 2:00 pm in SU 80, Room 132.