

Minutes of the Graduate Council

Date of Meeting: November 14, 2018

The November 14, 2018 meeting of the Graduate Council was called to order at 1:20 p.m. in the Joyce Thompson Lecture Hall, Library Room 101 by Dr. Husny Amerih, Chair of the Graduate Council.

Attendance:

- **Members:** Gretchen Busl, Ellina Grigorieva, Parker Hevron, DiAnna Hynds, Ann Wheeler, Jordan Fuchs, Philip Yang, Nerissa Gillum, Laura Trujillo-Jenks, Hyuk-Jin Lee, Kevin Becker, Pei-Fen Chang, David Nichols, Mindy Patterson, Paula Clutter, Becky Spencer, Laura Kubin, Christopher Ray, Emily Schaefer
- **Guests:** Sully Saucedo, Int'l Admissions Coordinator Admissions Processing; Korie Hawkins, Associate Director of Admissions and Graduate Recruitment

MINUTES APPROVED:

- The meeting minutes for October 17, 2018 were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Dr. Carolyn Kapinus reported the following:**
 - Spring numbers look good:
 - Accepted students up:
 - Masters: 580 +67%
 - Doctoral: 32 +60%
 - Preregistered
 - Masters: 253 +56%
 - Doctoral: 10 +11%
 - Summer:
 - Completed applications: 336 +217%
 - Acceptances: 10 -9%
 - Lots of decisions have not yet been rendered
 - Fall:
 - Completed applications up slightly – 1167 apps (increase of 14%)
 - 52 acceptances – increase of 373%
 - Retention
 - Although the application, admission and new enrollment numbers are trending in the right direction, we need to continue to work on retention and degree completion.
 - All currently enrolled students have received an email from the Dean encouraging them to register for the next semester.
 - You can help by reinforcing this message

- Dr. Johnson also sends out lists of the students who were enrolled this semester who are not graduating and not enrolled – please follow up.
- Recruitment:
 - The next recruitment workshop is Friday, November 16.
 - There is a lot of interest in the Graduate Recruitment Enhancement Fund. If your program is interested in this resource, apply sooner rather than later. You can find the proposal template in the “Faculty” section of the Graduate School web page.

- **Dr. Ruth Johnson reported the following:**

- Absent, No Report

GUEST SPEAKER:

- No guest speaker at this meeting

SUMMARY REPORTS FROM 2018-2019 STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- **Executive Committee- Dr. Husny Amerih, Chair**
 - Update on College representative reapportionment ad hoc committee.
- **Academic Programs Committee - Dr. Parker Hevron, Chair**

The following program revisions were approved

 - Special Education Doctoral Degree – COMS track (revised program)
 - Health Studies Doctoral Degree – COMS track (revised program)
 - Master of Education in Special Education: Intervention Specialist (revised program)
 - Master of Education with Diagnostician Certification (revised program)
- **Research Committee – Dr. DiAnna Hynds, Chair**
 - No report
- **Academic Standards Committee - Dr. Gretchen Busl, Chair**
 - Committee continues to conduct some benchmarking and research into the rules and laws when it comes to Graduate Assistants who are not native English speakers. More research to come.
- **Membership Committee - Dr. Nerissa Gillum**
 - There are 18 Graduate Faculty applicants (9 Full/ 9 Associate)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Request from Council of Chairs to have a representative (voted and approved)
- Election of Chair and Vice Chair - move from fall to spring (voted and approved)
- Electronic Voting Procedures added to meeting procedures (voted and approved)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Adding “no progress” to dissertation grade options
- Expedited associate graduate faculty status approval for new tenure-track faculty

ADJOURNMENT: 2:20 pm