



Committee approved: 12-05-17
 Sent to ACC: 12-05-17
 ACC Approved:

GRADUATE COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2017

Meeting Location: BOT Room OM 340

GC Chair Mitchell called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m., welcoming a total of 17 attendees (roster attached).

Meeting minutes of 10-31-17 were approved as written.

ACTION ITEMS

Review of Curriculum Proposals: 6 curriculum proposals reviewed and discussed via [Curriculog agenda](#) (individual proposals linked in summary below).

9 proposals approved:

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 - 3 new temporary courses (information items):
 - [BIOL 597Q](#): Molecular Mechanisms of Neurodegenerative Disease
 - [CHEM 597C](#): Cancer Biology and Current Therapies
 - [CHEM 597D](#): Aquatic Chemistry
 - 1 new Anthropology course:
 - [ANTH 526](#): Human Genetics and Epigenetics for the 21st Century
 - 2 new Environmental Sciences courses:
 - [ESCI 504](#): Time-Series Analysis for Environmental Data
 - [ESCI 505](#): Spatial Analysis for Environmental Data
 - 2 Biology course cancellation:
 - BIOL 533: Advanced Quaternary Biogeography
 - BIOL 599: Ecological Morphology
 - 1 Mathematics program revisions:
 - [Mathematics, Non-Thesis, MS](#) (course electives)

DISCUSSION ITEM

Impact of Study Group: Chair Mitchell gave a brief report on the Faculty Senate meeting of 11-13-17. GC members discussed how the Study Group contract affects graduate faculty, students, admission standards, university revenue, and diversity. Also discussed was how GC can move forward in collaboration with university administration while best serving current and prospective students. GC members expressed the need to be transparent about students maintaining satisfactory academic progress once admitted. Dean Pillay stressed the need to increase TA/RA waiver pools and waive the non-resident tuition differential for graduate students.

Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

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VOTING ATTENDEES			NON-VOTING ATTENDEES	
Clint Spiegel	Chemistry (GS)	P	Ex Officio members	
David Hooper	Biology (SE)	P	Gautam Pillay, <i>Dean, Graduate School</i>	P
	(HSS)	--	Michael Barr, <i>Associate Dean, Graduate School</i>	P
Elizabeth Boland (Vice Chair)	Rehabilitation Counseling (WCE)	P	Recorder	
Ruth Sofield	Environmental Science (HCE)	P	Dayna Patterson, <i>Graduate School</i>	P
Bertil Van Boer	Music (CFPA)	--	Guests	
Mark Staton (UPRC Rep)	Finance (CBE)	P	Megan Spiegel, <i>Graduate School</i>	P
Sarah McDaniel	Library	P		
At Large				
Yudong Liu	Computer Science	P		
Nick Stanger	Environmental Studies	P		
Robert Mitchell (Chair)	Geology	P		
Wayne Landis	Environmental Science	--		
Roger Anderson	Biology	--		
Kelli Evans	Communication Sciences and Disorders	P		
Student members				
Samantha Kao, <i>AS</i>		P	Voting attendees	13
Kristiana Lapo, <i>AS</i>		P	Non-voting attendees	4
Jo Ann Arinder, <i>AS</i>		P	TOTAL ATTENDEES	17