Graduate Council Meeting Minutes  
May 9, 2018 – 3:30-5:00 p.m.  
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I. Approval of the minutes from April 18, 2018
   • Murdoch moved to approve. 2nd by Turner-Rahman.
   • Approved with 2 abstentions

II. Announcements and Reports
   A. BYU-Idaho Meeting
      • McMurtry reported that he and CALS leadership/faculty met with the College of Ag at BYU. UI has not done a good job of recruiting grad students from there. They are low-hanging fruit.
      • There is a potential for setting up 3+2 programs.
      • Members were encouraged to take this information back to their colleges/departments and identify a person in the department to serve as a conduit.
      • McMurtry is happy to talk to faculty about this.
      • McMurtry and/or Marc Skinner are the points of contact.
   B. AY 2017-18 COGS Petitions Report
      • A report of all COGS petitions was reviewed with councilmembers.
   C. AY 2017-18 Graduate Admissions Petitions Report
      • Rance Larsen reviewed students who were admitted with a GPA lower than 3.0.
      • Bailey: do the 121 who were admitted with a lower GPA do as well as students admitted with 3.0+? Answer: that has not been analyzed.
   D. 3-year Indian Degrees
      • GSSP was described as a pre-Master’s program before the student matriculates into their degree program.
      • Graduate Admissions proposes to accept students with a 3-year degree from India into GSSP using WES methodology, if:
        ▪ The degree was earned in first division/class.
        ▪ The institution is rated A or higher by NAAC.
        ▪ Degree being sought here is in the same field of study.
      • Of the peer institutions who responded, 5/8 said they use the WES methodology, and 3/8 do not accept a 3-year Indian degree without one additional year of extra post-baccalaureate coursework.
      • Turner-Rahman moved to approve using the methodology put forth by Graduate Admissions. Seconded by Holyoke. Approved unanimously.
E. Terms Ending – Amador (1st term), Holyoke (1st term), Johnson (2nd term), Smith (1st term), Turner-Rahman (2nd term), Yager (1st term)
   - McMurtry thanked outgoing members for their service.

III. Discussion
A. Instructors Serving on Graduate Committees
   - GPSA put forth a proposal to allow instructors to serve on Ph.D. committees.
   - Councilmembers were concerned that this could open the potential for someone with a Bachelor’s degree to serve on a Ph.D. committee.
   - This was tabled until Fall.

B. Student Petitions
   1. Brant Miller – Bascom petition
      - He wants to count all overage credits and finish his degree. He has remained engaged with university.
      - Miller said he will work with him to finish up.
      - Holyoke moved to approve. Johnson seconded.
      - Approved with one abstention.
   2. Laura Holyoke – Culp petitions
      a. Petitioning to use 24 overage credits.
         - Count all 24 overage credits through Fall 2018.
         - Jillepalli moved to approve. Seconded by Holyoke.
         - Passed with one abstention.
      b. Petitioning to extend the 5-year limit after the prelim exam.
         - Approve the extension of the prelim exam through Fall 2018.
         - Turner-Rahman moved to approve. Seconded by Johnson.
         - Approved with one abstention.

Future Meetings:
Fall meeting dates TBD
All meetings will be on Wednesdays at 3:30-5:00 p.m. (Pacific)