

Graduate Council Meeting
October 18, 2022 • 3:00-4:30p • Zoom
Minutes

Attendance:

Quorum: 11 (Current membership = 22)

Name of Member		Name of Member	
P. Berkelman, ENGR	X	H. Tavares, COE	X
W. Buente, CSS	X	T. Ticktin, CNS	X
K.F. Cheung, SOEST	X	A. Tse, SONDH	X
B. Fisher, CALL	EXC	J. Yoshioka, COE	X
T. Grüter, CALL	X	S. Brown, MFS	X
J. Guo, MBTSSW	X	E. Biagioni, MFS	X
A. Mawyer, CALL	X	Arby Barone, GSO	X
P. Nerurkar CTAHR - sabbatical F 22	EXC	Mark Willingham, GSO	?
S. Robertson - F22 / P. Williams - Sp23, CNS			
J. Stilgenbauer, ARCH/SCB/HSBK	EXC		
M. Tallquist, JABSOM	X	K. Aune, GD	X
N. Tarui, CSS	X	J. Maeda, GD	X

*A = AAA Committee; C = Course Committee; P = Program Committee; **bold** = chair

Alternate(s)		Alternate(s)	
M. Esquivel for P. Nerurkar (F 22)			
			n=

Announcements/Reminders

- Announcements/Reminders: (please share with your college/school Graduate chairs)
 - Fall 2022 Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, 3:00 - 4:30p
 - November 15, December 13
 - Fall 2022 Graduate Assembly November 17, 2022 (location: TBD)
 - Open Office Hours via ZOOM w/ Graduate Dean and Associate Dean
 - October 24 at 2:00pm
 - November 30 at 1:00pm

Old Business

- Requested discussion item feedback.

Discussion Items

- Graduate Faculty -
 - One does not need to be a full professor to be a level 3 GF member.
 - Upon initial appointment, at least rank 3, but ultimately meeting all three GF standards. Appointment is granted at level requested by the program.
 - Nominate at level 2 - SWEL, then at T&P, nominate to level 3
 - PhD is not required. For PhD programs, GF typically have a PhD degree as part of that. There are other terminal degrees.
 - Three types - RGF, CGF, and AGF

- Emeritus - inform GD, share letter or approval memo
- <https://www.hawaii.edu/policy/?action=viewPolicy&policySection=ep&policyChapter=5&policyNumber=207>
- EP5.207
- No issues or questions related to Type or Levels of graduate faculty
- University Representative - completion of service on a dissertation committee
 - Time serving as a member of a committee - does it mean from Form II? Helpful to clarify in the eligibility language for UR on the website.
 - Disciplinary content connection is helpful for the UR to have, though it's not necessarily required. They're the University representative.
 - Arm's length - ensure proper procedures are followed, treatment of student is appropriate/professional.
 - Equity and knowledge on topic - relevant knowledge is helpful - how to identify UR - previous course taken by student. Give comments and ask questions.
 - Challenge - small faculty to advise/chair doctoral students. If serving as Cooperating GF, cannot serve as UR. This may bring a challenge to a small faculty.
 - Arm's length logic framing disciplinary content and institutional structure - not in loco parentis. Intellectual pleasure with little reward for the UR; ethics around the human relationships? Social and institutional relations - to ask questions, and otherwise engage in the dissertation versus only participating in a functional sense. Added value
 - Clarification - true role of UR?
 - Ensure fair and equitable thesis - universality, point out inconsistencies or apparent abuse of the student. Be able to contribute in a scientific/educational manner.
 - UR page: <https://manoa.hawaii.edu/graduate/committee-composition-potential-members/>
 - Pre-Form 2/Form 2A - GC approving committee composition - student forms committee first w/ approval of GC (ORE) to determine whether UR is at arm's length. CMB - similar process and useful for GC to know who is serving on committees and working with their students. GC in ORE, can appoint a member to the committee, prior to Form II, if there is a concern. Internal form to help w/ ad-hoc requests and ensure tentative committee is appropriate.
 - Plan B - pre-approval process in program structure? No committee per se, but have a reader. Communicate first and second reader at start of term of graduation, SLS GC.
- Academic Probation Notation
 - n=60
 - Highlights - **check survey and include results**
 - For most, master's degree is not a concern
 - For doctoral degree progress, 40% (20) agreed or strongly agreed
 - Comments - competing demands, personal issues,
 - Appropriate length of time for doctoral degree - 3-8 yrs
 - Candidacy - 1.5 -5 yrs
 - Continue AP notation on transcript - more than half, yes, continue (52.5%)
 - Helpful or harmful - 51.7% strongly agreed/agreed; 20% disagreed
 - Harmful? - 26% agree it's harmful; 40% disagree/strongly disagree it's harmful

- Comments - should be retained, do not discontinue, allows student to be expelled for lack of continued progress. Formalized timeline is most important, more than notation. Useful to have a time to degree and there is a consequence for continued lack of progress.
- Reside with graduate program -
- Most support 7 yr policy to continue for doctoral degree
- Most support 7 yr policy to continue for master's degree
- Having conversations with students to encourage/motivate them to finish as well as have GD have consequences for time to degree. There is support to maintain the time to degree policy.
- Proposal: School determine student standing and have GC communicate to GSS who to put on probation or not.
 - Implies academic integrity concerns - another word instead of probation? Something else to denote the issue rather than using the term probation? (A.Tse) Another way to mitigate the notation?
- Programs would determine whether or not a notation should be placed on a student's transcript, rather than GD.
- Possibility of students talking to each other and learning of the consequence?
- Reasons for lack of progress vary greatly. Balancing individual differences with the time to degree policy.
- If not on transcript, it's not AP initially, it may solve many of the issues. Confer w/ GC first would be helpful for cases like this one.
- AP notation - being contractual implementation - heart of the problem. Inward facing
- Warning letter?
- Checking w/ the program GC before implementing AP?
- Different options to take it off - GPA - option to remove notation depending on the situation. To rescind AP or remove AP notation from a term would need to be decided.

Adjourned: 4:31p

Next Meeting: November 15, 3:00pm