

APPROVED 2/6/12  
Minutes of Meeting of University Committee on Graduate Studies (UCGS)  
January 9, 2012, 3:00 pm, 113 Linton Hall

Participants: Karen Klomparens (TGS), Judith Vinson (NUR), Ayana Allen (COGS), Ryan Warner (for Greg Lang) (CANR), Suzanne Borkowski (for Stefan Fletcher) (COGS), Rich Spreng (BUS), Debra Hardison (CAL), James Trosko (CHM), Shelaugh Ferguson-Miller (CHM/CNS), Lisa Schwartzman (CAL), Liz Gardner (CANR), Peter Youngs (CoE), Joe Walther (CAS), Kriss Renn (CoE), John Goddeeris (CSS), Jeremy Laukka (COM), Sakeena Everett (COGS)

Guests: for URO: L. Kempel (EGR), P. Hunt (VPRGS), D. Nails (A&L), J. Tiedje (CANR + CNS), L. Drzal (EGR)  
For Curricular items: S. Lacy (CAS), L. Davenport (Journalism), R. Kobe (Forestry), J. Gardiner (Epi), R. Brandenburg (CANR), K. Edozie (AAA), D. Barondess

**AGENDA**

1. Approval of Agenda: **Approved**
2. Approval of November 7, 2011 Minutes (Attachment): **Approved**
3. Confidential Report: University Research Organization Exploration Committee. **Presentation by Committee members who charted the steering committee to explore structure and organization related to developing a University Research Organization. Website now available for review. Discussed the possibility of two models, yet to be determined: External Model and Internal Model. Discussion included benefits and concerns for graduate students and post-doctoral students related to restriction on publications, opportunity for students who may be going into industry. Dr John Goddeeris (Chairperson of UCGS) will submit a UGSC Commentary to the Steering Committee.**
4. Remarks from the Chairperson (Goddeeris):
  - a. **Advisory Committee Membership for the Search to Fill the Vacancy of the Position of Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies UCGS members are asked for input for Search Committee to be made up of 12 members (7 Active Researchers, 2 Deans, 2 Graduate Students, & Dean of Graduate School)**
5. Remarks from the Dean of the Graduate School: **Pass due to full agenda**
6. Remarks from the COGS Representative: **COGS Suzanne Borkowski – No Report**
  - a. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees: **UCGS Member Debra Hardison presented the below programs for approval**
  - b. **Curriculum and Program Review Committee**
    - i. \*Request for a Moratorium Extension on Admission to the **Master of Science Degree Zoo and Aquarium Management Approved**

- ii. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science Degree in Applied Statistics** **Approved**
- iii. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts Degree in Telecommunication, Information Studies and Media.** **Approved**
- iv. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Graduate Specialization in Management of Information Technology.** **Approved**
- v. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts Degree in Journalism.** **Approved**
- vi. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts Degree in Communication Sciences and Diseases.** **Approved**
- vii. \*Request for a new Linked **Bachelor of Science Degree in Media and Information** and **Master of Arts Degree in Telecommunication, Information Studies and Media.** **Approved with Friendly Amendment**
- viii. \*Request for a new Linked **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Media and Information** and **Master of Arts Degree in Telecommunication, Information Studies and Media.** **Approved**
- ix. Request for a new Linked **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism** and **Master of Arts Degree in Journalism.** **Approved**

**Academic Research Policy Subcommittee** **While committee has met, no current report**

**Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee** **While meeting no report at this time.**

- 7. \*Request for a new **Graduate Certificate in Forest Carbon Science, Policy and Management.** **Approved**
- 8. \*Request for a new **Master of Science Degree in Biostatistics.** **Approved**
- 9. \*Request for a new **Graduate Certificate in Serious Game Design and Research.** **Approved**
- 10. \*Request for a new **Graduate Certificate in Journalism.** **Approved**
- 11. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts Degree in African American and African Studies.** **Approved with amendment to be sent to Dean Klomparens**
- 12. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy Degree in African American and African Studies.** **Approved**
- 13. Research Faculty Appointment Category **Discussion regarding addressing recruitment of faculty and increasing the number of grants. Further discussions to continue**
- 14. Proposal to change “Dual Enrollment by Undergraduates” Policy **Approved as amended**
- 15. Report of the Ad Hoc Taskforce on online course test proctoring (“assessment”) to the Provost. The University Committee on Graduate Studies (UCGS) considered the Report of the Ad Hoc Taskforce on Assessment (11/14/2011) at its meeting of January 9, 2012. UCGS voted to support recommendation 1) from the Taskforce Report, “to adopt the recommendations put forth by the Provost’s Office to amend the Code of Teaching Responsibility, and the Integrity of

Scholarship and Grades.” Beyond that, UCGS members agreed that the other recommendations put forth by the Taskforce addressed important issues and are worthy of further consideration, but the Committee did not feel well enough informed to take a position on them at this time.

**16. Commentary to be sent to the Steering Committee by Dr. John Goddeeris (Chairperson UCGS)**

17. Roundtable **None**

18. Adjournment

\*Action Items