

APPROVED JANUARY 8, 2018

Minutes of the Meeting of the University Committee on
Graduate Studies
Nov. 6, 2017, Chittenden Hall, 1st Floor
Conference Room

Participants: M. Callahan (MUS), A. Contreras (CVM), K. Dontje (NUR), J. Francis (COL), A. Fuente (COGS), D. Hardison (CAL), T. Hampton (NS), C. Hogan (BUS), S. Maingi (ANR), M. Morgan (CSS), S. Narayanan (BUS), A. Paganini (CHM), T. Sharkey (CNS), M. Tai (COM), K. Tollefson (CNS), G. Wittenbaum (COM), D. Wong (EDU), R. Putnam (CEPSE), D. Jordan (COGS), M. Phister (COGS), T. Jeitschko (GRAD)

Guest: Jim Pivarnik (Office of Research Integrity)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

1. Approval of Agenda (Attachment) *Motion to approve, seconded, and carried*
2. Approval of October 10, 2017 Minutes (Attachment) *Motion to approve, seconded, and carried*
3. Remarks from the Chairperson (Hogan)

Chair announced that this is the last meeting of the semester. The next meeting will be in January, 2018.

4. Remarks from the Dean of the Graduate School (Jeitschko)

Dean announced that the Graduate School is undertaking strategic planning. He encouraged members to share ideas or concerns about the on-campus role of the graduate school. There will be opportunities moving forward to formally provide feedback and ideas.

5. Remarks from the COGS Representative (Fuente)

Announced the 10th annual graduate academic conference and encouraged participation in presentations and workshops. Announced the Jorge Cham visit on November 15, 2017.

6. Annual Report from Research Integrity Officer – Jim Pivarnik

Presented report to the committee. Provided overview of the office and a summary of the cases so far this year. Encouraged members to ask RIO for advice regarding research integrity before it rises to an issue of a complaint.

7. University Committee on Graduate Studies Subcommittees

Curriculum and Program Review Committee

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Subcommittee considered the action item 8. Voted unanimously for approval of the deletion and recommended approval by the full membership of UCGS.

Academic Research Policy Subcommittee

No report

Graduate Instruction, Employment, Mentoring Subcommittee

The subcommittee developed a response to ASMSU regarding mid-semester evaluations based on the previous discussion in UCGS. The response was discussed and considered by the entire committee. UCGS decided not to give ASMSU an endorsement at present, but recommended that the subcommittee produce a short list of concerns to be submitted the ASMSU that will be reviewed by the full committee.

8. ***Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **American Studies** in the College of Arts and Letters. Motion to approve, seconded, and carried*
9. Roundtable: No discussion
10. Adjournment: adjourned 3:35pm.

** Being reviewed by the Curriculum and Program Subcommittee for a recommendation to the full committee.

*Action Items