

Graduate Council

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Date	August 27, 2012	Time	3:00-4:30 p.m.
Meeting Location	NHE 106		

	Agenda Topic	Action Planned	Action Taken	
1	Approval of Notes		Approved notes from 5/7/12	
2	Priorities for Graduate Council	Discuss Graduate Council DRAFT priorities for 12/13 AY; determine action plan for addressing priorities 1. Implement and document assessment of student learning outcomes for graduate programs.	 Graduate programs are to implement and document assessment of student learning outcomes similar to the process that undergraduate programs are utilizing. 	
		2. Electronic Thesis Submission - Determine options for theses and project submission in the absence of an approved binding fee.	 Jená proposed creation of a small group to research best options. Volunteers: Candace Van Patten. Ed Nuhfer, Joan Berman, Michael Mesler and Rock Braithwaite. 	
		 Identify next actions to prepare for paperless applications (recommendation from last spring attached). 	 Jená will bring deadlines to the 8/30/12 Council of Chairs Meeting. Dates can now be published. Jená and Steve will organize groups to develop templates for recommendations. 	
		 Analyze enrollment trends in graduate programs and implement recruitment strategies and resources. 	 IRP has very current information on student progress in each program, and we will send to programs and deans within the next couple of weeks. 	
		 Improve compliance with requirements and timely completion of degrees. 	 Jená asked for creation of timelines and milestone requirements – perhaps in policy form. 	
3	Assessment	Introduce Ed Nuhfer, Director of Educational Effectiveness	Brief welcome and introduction.	
4	Graduate Fairs	Discuss graduate school fairs	Two KRA faculty members attended fairs at Cal State LA and CSULB recently and were able to speak with many interested students – programs should contact their deans to see if support for travel to the fairs is available.	
5	Announcements	Graduate Council member needed on ICC.	Carol Telesky (MBA program coordinator) offered to serve on the ICC.	
		Student representative needed on Graduate Council AY 2012/13.	Discussion about allowing multiple students from same college to serve as representatives. Currently both students serving are from AHSS and a third from the same is interested; coordinators from CPS will forward any nominations to Emiliano Ayala and coordinators from CNRS will forward nominations to their college office.	
			New announcement: Jená noted that the deadline for Summer thesis submission has been moved to July 25 th beginning 12/13 AY. Jená encouraged programs to consider not allowing summer graduation, and to authorize a thesis/project submission for summer graduation only when it is certain that all faculty involved will be available to provide signatures in a timely way.	