HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

Academic Programs and Undergraduate/Graduate Studies

Graduate Council Meeting Notes

November 6, 2017 3:00 – 4:30 PM LIB 209 (Fishbowl)

I. Welcome!

- A. Introductions
- B. Approval of September 11, 2017 meeting notes

II. Announcements

- A. Update: Cal State Apply
 - i. Stephanie Lane, Interim Director of Admissions and Cynthia Werner, Admissions Administrative Support Coordinator

1. More fixes are in the works for the Cal State Apply site, it's getting better.

- 2.You can now see the number of students who have opened an application but not yet submitted it.
- 3.Stephanie and Cynthia will talk more about Cal State Apply at a future Grad Council meeting.
- B. Update: Graduate Recruitment working group
 - i. Meredith Williams, (Subcommittee: Josh Zender, Eric Van Duzer)

1. Recruitment is in the works

2.A survey asking graduate coordinators some questions about their recruitment goals was passed out. Please remember to forward your response to Meredith Williams when your survey is complete.

- C. Update: Nonresident Fee Waiver Allocation working group
 - i. Alison O'Dowd, (Subcommittee: Erik Jules, Meredith Williams, Tina Georganas, Yvonne Everett)
 - 1. The proposed new policy for allocating non-resident fee waiver is: "Each Masters program will be allocated a percentage of the University's total fee waiver allocation based on the percentage of the average number of nonresident graduate students enrolled in that specific program over the prior 3 years."
 - 2. Do we want the average based on the fall enrollment or academic year enrollment? Fall enrollment would yield more units.
 - 3. Alison will circulate an email with the past allocation of non-resident tuition waiver units.
 - 4. 25% of graduate students are eligible for a fee waiver
 - 5. Discussion will be continued at the December GC meeting.
 - ii. See Appendix A
- D. Update: Financial Aid Information

- i. Maria-Elena Whaples, Assistant Director of Financial Aid Department
 - a. The Financial Aid office has not yet awarded Spring applicants, BUT they plan to do so this month, if students are calling and inquiring.
 - 2. October 1 First day to submit Financial Aid Application (FAFSA/DREAM ACT)
 - a. March 2^{nd} is the priority deadline!
 - 3. One-on-one Application Assistance Available: Flyer is attached
 - a. Hosted many FAFSA assistance workshops in October
 - 4. Newly launched FAO website, check it out: finaid.humboldt.edu
 - a. Check out their revamped website, please.

5. For Financial Aid purposes, part-time grad student = 5 units full-time grad student = 9 units According to the University, a graduate student is considered full-time if they are enrolled in 6 or more units. For financial aid purposes, if a student is caught in-between the 5 and 9 unit gap at 7 units for example, their funds will **not** be dispersed because even though they are considered a full-time student to the university, 7 units is not full time for financial aid. Graduate students need to be enrolled in a minimum of **9** units to be considered full-time for financial aid purposes. If you have further questions, please contact Maria-Elena Whaples at mw61@humboldt.edu or x5373

ii. See Appendix B

III. Discussion: WSCUC and Graduate Programs Assessment, time certain at 3:20pm

- A. Mary Glenn, Interim Vice Provost and Mark Wicklund, Interim Academic Assessment Coordinator
 - *i.* Marisa D'Arpino:
 - 1. Attendees received a packet with slideshow slides
 - 2. Why is accreditation important? We cannot get financial aid without it.
 - 3. On-site WASC visit March $21^{st} 23^{rd}$
 - 4. Our new motto: "Creating change for equity"
 - 5. Went over communication plans for Fall 2017 and Spring 2018
 - ii. Mark Wicklund:
 - 1. On-site review is in March
 - 2. Came up with four possible questions WASC could ask
 - 3. Assessment is necessary (shared quote from CSU Monterey Bay)
 - 4. Faculty are here to help and benefit students; it's their purpose
 - 5. WASC wants us to close the loop and make data-driven decisions

- 6. Establish goals -> provide learning opportunities -> assess student learning -> use the results
- 7. Student learning outcomes
 - *a.* Classes that reflect those program outcomes (introduce -> develop -> master)
 - **b.** Longitudinal assessment
- 8. Effective use of assessment results don't just file your results away
- 9. Reviewed graduate learning assessment, and annual vs five-year cycles

a. PLEASE post your program learning outcomes on your webpages!

10. Reviewed an informational excel spreadsheet

IV. Discussion: HSU/Scholarly Communications & Digital Scholar Team

- A. Kyle Morgan
 - *i.* Passed out fliers: Thesis & Project Formatting Workshop (Appendix C & D)
 - *ii.* Approve or decline button now, no longer "review with revisions" option
 - iii. Monday of finals week is the deadline for approvals!
 - iv. Courtesy format reviews are recommended but not required

Appendix A: Revised Policy for Allocating Non-Resident Fee Waiver Units

"Each Masters program will be allocated a percentage of the University's total fee waiver allocation based on the percentage of the average number of non-resident graduate students enrolled in that specific program over the prior 3 years."

HSU Financial Aid Application Assistance

DROP-IN & stop by for professional assistance in completing your FAFSA or Cal Dream Act Library 121 Sunday October 1 12:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Friday October 6 Siemens Hall 119 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Siemens Hall 118 Friday October 13 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Siemens Hall 119 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Siemens Hall 118 Friday October 20 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Siemens Hall 119 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Siemens Hall 118 Friday October 27 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Siemens Hall 119 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Siemens Hall 118

APPLY EARLY OCTOBER 1 - MARCH 2

* Drop-in labs are open to ALL students; undergraduates, credentials, & graduate students who need assistance for either the FAFSA or the CAL DREAM ACT applications.

* Maximize your financial aid. Missed deadlines = Missed Money

PREPARE FOR YOUR APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

- * Know your FSA ID or Dream Account. If you can't remember, reset it!
- * Social Security number or Alien rgistration number, if you have one
- * Driver's license number, if you have one
- * Your 2016 income & tax information (& your parent/s)
- Any records of untaxed income; child support payments, disability, payments to/from retirement accounts, or worker's compensation.

Complete the FAFSA at: fafsa.ed.gov OR complete the CAL Dream Act at: dream.casac.ca.gov

HSU FINANCIAL AID is here for you! QUESTIONS? call us at 707.826.4321 or email us at finaid@humboldt.edu



Thesis & Project Formatting Workshops

Learn how to satisfy all formatting and accessibility requirements.

SkillShops

Upcoming Workshops:

November 6, 5-6pm, Library 121

November 9, 5-6pm, Library 121

November 15, 2-3pm, Library 121

November 16, 2-3pm, Library 121



🕨 Register at Humboldt.libcal.com 🗢



Thesis and Project Fall 2017 Submission Process

Scholarly Communications Office cfr@humboldt.edu (707) 826-5602

Advancement to Candidacy

You can find the form Application for Advancement to Candidacy and Graduation with all other graduate forms here:

forms.humboldt.edu

Formatting Workshop

Attend one of our thesis and project formatting workshops. Workshops are scheduled for November, 6, 9, 15, and 16. Register for a workshop here:

humboldt.libcal.com

Courtesy Format Review (Dealine: November 13)

Submit a draft of your thesis or project for a courtesy format review to <u>cfr@humboldt.edu</u>. Formatting guidelines can be found here:

www2.humboldt.edu/gradprograms/thesis-format-requirements

Committee Approval (Deadline: December 11)

Submit your final thesis or project to Digital Commons for committee approval. <u>SUBMIT EARLY</u> so they have time to approve before the deadline. Submit here:

digital commons. humboldt.edu

Official Format Review

The Scholarly Communications Office will conduct a formal format review. Stay in contact as you will be instructed to make revisions and resubmit.

If you have questions please call (707) 826-5602 or email cfr@humboldt.edu