

**Graduate Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11-12:30pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Alyssa Crittenden, Sara Jordan, Victor Kwong, Alicia Rico, Janet Dufek, Doug Unger, Dong-Chan Lee, Han-fen Hu, Helen Wing, Dory Mizrachi, Henry Selveraj, Jichun Li, Ben Burroughs, Dana Bickmore, Anjala Krishen, Hui Zhao, Jennifer Guthrie, Jennifer Pharr, Jennifer Rennels, Joel Snyder, Joe Morgan, Kim Charron, Mathew Varre, MaryAnn Overcamp-Martini, Richard Miller, Rhonda McElroy, Maria Roberts, Keala Kiko, Norma Saldivar, Kelly Mays, Sean Clark, Sam Song, Steen Madsen, Kenny Varner, Pramen Shrestha, Michael Borer, Rebecca Benfield, Tamara Herold, Tony Henthorne, Nia Smercina, Laura Kruskall, Michael Nicholl, Toni Repetti, Billy Bauer, Anthony Gatling, Dan Lee, Ian McDonough, Christian Jensen, Ganqing Jiang, Anne Stevens, Elizabeth Barrie, Kara Wada, Brianne Heinle, Valarie Burke

- Welcome & check-in: Dr. Toni Repetti, Chair
  - Council Chair nomination & election
    - Nominated Anjala Krishen, Sara Jordan, and Alyssa Crittenden
    - Will submit statements and a qualtrics survey will be sent out by email for the vote
  - AY20-21: Please let Associate Dean Emily Lin know ASAP about new Department Chairs & Graduate Coordinators
  - Please let Emily know your Committee preferences ASAP
    - Committee membership posted on GC website under Faculty and will also share in newsletters
  
- Leading through crises & leaning in
  - Social (In)Justice
    - Outreach planned with other groups on campus
  - International issues
    - Remote enrollment, but no GAships/TAships for those out of the country
  - Economic displacement & recession
  - Pandemic
    - Providing relevant COVID updates
  - Structural responses:
    - Pivot Planning Working Group (Today & ongoing)
      - Doug Unger, Hui Zhao, Sara Jordan, Sean Clark, Joel Snyder, Janet Dufek, Peter Gray, Emily Lin, Kara Wada, Valarie Burke
    - Diversity, Inclusivity, Equity & Justice Committee (Fall)
      - Membership open to requests
    - Graduate Student Advisory Board (Fall)
  
- COVID-19 Updates: See [GC COVID webpage](#)
  - Budget update & hiring
    - Furloughs
    - GC cuts

- Hiring SW, GA, LOA, PD, fee positions
    - Rebels Return campus [reopening plans & guidelines](#) & [resources](#)
    - [Bookstore](#) & campus supplies
    - [Grad Rebels Return](#) plan & return to work [resources](#) & training with quiz
      - Restarting faculty & graduate student [research](#)
        - IRB accommodations: full or expedited review/exempt: do we need prospectus change form?
        - PI restart proposals that include graduate students & postdocs
          - 24-hour labs to de-densify; PPE
          - Priority to more advanced graduate students
          - Need to get graduate students back to research asap
          - Assoc. VPRED Dr. David Hatchett (david.hatchett@unlv.edu)
      - Fall semester campus/remote instruction
        - No S/U
        - Most [accommodations](#) continue
        - On-campus class/lab proposals
          - Hybrid with only vital hands-on sections in lab
          - De-densify by approx. 50%
          - PPE
          - Shared items & cleaning plan
        - Remote/hybrid class options
          - Elizabeth Barrie - Online Ed
          - [HyFlex](#) courses
        - Lab strategies
    - CARES Act & Emergency COVID Retention Fund information
    - GA issues
      - [Fall appointments](#) & [YOY data](#)
      - Accommodations process & management
      - GA online teaching stipend plan
        - July - October
        - Online Teaching class (4 weeks online)
        - 2 additional workshops
        - Teaching statement
        - Oct/Nov \$500 stipend
        - Need help identifying course facilitators (\$500)
      - Interest in grad coordinators having access to view orientations and trainings
    - [GEM updates & R2PC data](#)
      - Spring graduation
      - Summer enrollment
      - Fall admissions & enrollment
    - VIRTUAL Online Leadership & Professional Development Academy
- Graduate College Strategic Plan & final steps

- Handbook updates - will be provided for review when ready
  - Faculty
  - Postdoc
  - IDGP
  - Student
- Graduate Coordinator Stipends
  - Yes! Will have new agreements/contracts.