

**Graduate Council Meeting
September 2, 2020 - 1-3pm**

Minutes

Attendees: Alyssa Crittenden, Doug Unger, Greg Moody, James Navalta, Janet Dufek, Sean Clark, Steen Madsen, Vicki Rosser, Alicia Rico, Alona Angosta, Anne Stevens, Anthony Gatling, Benjamin Burroughs, Bill Bernatis, Catherine Dingley, Christian Jensen, Dan Allen, Daniel Chi, Dan Young, Dong-Chan Lee, Doris Watson, Pramen Shrestha, Rhonda McElroy, Sam Song, Tamara Harold, Nia Smercina, William Bauer, Wendy Kveck, Dory Mizrachi, Ganqing Jiang, Han-Fen Hu, Harsha Perera, Helen Wing, Jared Lau, Jayce Farmer, Jennifer Pharr, Joel Snyder, Keala Kiko, Kenny Varner, Kim Charron, Lisa Davis, Maria Roberts, Marcus Civin, Michael Borer, Michelle Sotero, Natalie Pennington, Nikkole Liesse, Norma Saldivar, Paul Thomas Clements
Ex-Officio: Kate Korgan, Emily Lin, Kara, Wada, Elizabeth Jost, Tracy Johnson, Valarie Burke, Brianne Heinle, Sara Jordan, Peter Gray

- Welcome & check-in:
 - Council Chair Election Results - New Graduate Council Chair - Dr. Alyssa Crittenden!
 - *Welcome new Grad Coordinators!* Michael Borer, Sharolyn Pollard-Durodola, Monica Brown, Han-Fen Hu, Ian McDonough, Doris Watson, Harsha Perera, Anthony Gatling, Daniel Young, Patricia Cook-Craig, Natalie Pennington, Bill Bernatis
 - New Faculty in your Program? Please ask them to submit a Grad Faculty Status (GFS) [here](#) or on GC website:
<https://www.unlv.edu/graduatecollege/graduate-faculty-status>

- Committee [Composition](#) & Charges
 - [Course Review Committee](#) - Dr. James Navalta, Chair
 - [Programs Committee](#) - Dr. Greg Moody, Chair
 - [Program Review Committee](#) - Dr. Kelly Mays, Chair
 - [Awards Committees 1 & 2](#) - Dr. Janet Dufek, Chair (1) & Dr. Steen Madsen, Chair (2)
 - [Appeals & Legal Issues Committee](#) - Sean Clark, Chair
 - [Top Tier Leadership & Professional Development Academy Advisory Board](#) - Dr. Valarie Burke & Dr. Sara Jordan, Co-Chairs
 - [Top Tier Postdoctoral Affairs Advisory Board](#) - Dr. Barbara St. Pierre Schneider & Dr. Valarie Burke, Co-Chairs
 - [Top Tier GEM Working Group](#) - Dr. Emily Lin & Kara Wada, Co-Chairs
 - [Top Tier Graduate Faculty & Student Success Working Group](#) - Dr. Peter Gray, Chair
 - [Top Tier Innovative Graduate Programs Working Group](#) - Dr. Kate Korgan & Dr. Emily Lin, Co-Chairs
 - [Top Tier Graduate Pivot Planning Working Group](#) - Dr. Doug Unger, Chair
 - Graduate College new this fall:

- Program Onboarding Working Group
- Data & Reporting Working Group
- Graduate College DEIJ Advisory Board
- Graduate Student Advisory Board
- Faculty Senate Updates - Dr. Vicki Rosser, Chair
- GPSA Updates - Sid Kapukotuwa, GPSA VP

- COVID-19 Updates: See GC COVID webpage (Kate)
 - Budget update & hiring
 - FY21 FY 22 & 23
 - Fee-based positions (2)
 - Welcome Dr. Sara Jordan, Grad Faculty Fellow
 - Welcome Dr. Peter Gray, Associate Dean Fellow
 - Rebels Return campus reopening plans & guidelines & resources
 - GC Welcome Center (GTW Suite 200) is open + 100% remote
 - Gateway & Lied Grad Commons are open
 - Restarting faculty & graduate student research
 - IRB accommodations: full or expedited review/exempt
 - 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
 - RAMP undergrads
 - Assoc. VPRED Dr. David Hatchett (david.hatchett@unlv.edu)
 - *Discussion (in chat) about how some colleges were more strict with restart policies than others and there was some concern that this would negatively impact doctoral research and timelines.*
 - *Kate - assured Council that senior doctoral students would be given priority and they would work with individual Deans in units that needed some extra consideration.*
 - Fall semester campus/remote instruction
 - No S/U
 - Most accommodations continue
 - GA support for teaching/TA-ing
 - CARES Act, Surcharge scholarships, & Emergency COVID Retention Fund information (approx. \$250k)
 - GA issues
 - Accommodations process & management
 - GA online teaching stipend program wrapping-up (approx. 325)
 - Voluntary reallocation of funds for fall support

- VIRTUAL Online Leadership & Professional Development Academy (Valarie)
 - 25 in virtual summer writing bootcamp
 - Programs, certificates, and workshops online
 - Grad Showcase 10/21 & Rebel Grad Slam 3MT in November

- GEM updates & R2PC data (Kara)
 - [Fall admissions & enrollment and graduation data](#)
 - Extension of [admissions requirements adaptations](#) to summer/fall 2021
 - On departmental admissions adaptations - email kara.wada@unlv.edu
 - Reminders
 - Thesis/dissertation defense announcements
 - Defenses are public and must be advertised (date, time, location) on campus. Graduating students can review the [instructions on how to announce their defense](#). All defenses must be publicized through the Graduate College two weeks in advance. [Learn more](#).
 - [Continuous enrollment and non-matriculation separations for fall 2020](#)
 - Fall 2020 [graduation application deadline](#) - October 1
- How to contact the Grad College (Alyssa)
 - Kate & Emily: serious or broad concerns, issues, ideas, suggestions
 - Kara: serious or broad concerns, issues, or ideas related to R2PC (specific student cases go to appropriate area: gradrecruitment@unlv.edu; gradadmissions@unlv.edu; grad.rpc@unlv.edu)
 - Valarie: serious or broad concerns, issues, or ideas related to appeals, student problems, or student services (specific LAPDA or student services questions to GradRebel@unlv.edu)
 - Appeals questions/issues: GradRebel@unlv.edu
 - Graduate Faculty Status questions: gradfacstatus@unlv.edu
 - Curriculum questions/issues (courses, programs, etc.): gradcurriculum@unlv.edu
 - Systems questions (access, issues, etc.): grad.systems@unlv.edu
 - Development, CIGAs, CGRAs, donors, etc.: Elizabeth.kahane@Unlv.edu
 - Communication issues, publications, website, flyers, etc.: vaneh.darakjian@unlv.edu
 - GA issues: GradFinancialSvc@unlv.edu
 - Scholarships/fellowship questions: GradFinancialSvc@unlv.edu
 - Complex GA, fellowship, or budget issues: Brianne.Heinle@unlv.edu
 - To schedule meetings with the deans or ask general questions, to share meeting agendas and minutes, etc.: Leslie.Hunter@unlv.edu
- Catalog Update: <https://catalog.unlv.edu/index.php?catoid=31> (Emily)
- Handbook updates (Emily + Kate)
 - Programs - Degree Directory: <https://www.unlv.edu/academics/degrees>
 - Faculty forthcoming
 - Postdoc forthcoming
 - IDGP forthcoming
 - Student Handbook <https://catalog.unlv.edu/index.php?catoid=31>
 - GA Handbook being updated

2	GAC Member All Levels		X	X	X	X	X		
3	GAC Chair Master's Only			X	X	X		X	
4	GAC Member Master's Only				X	X		X	
5	Graduate Instructor 1						X		X
6	Graduate Instructor 2							X	X
7	Extra GAC Member only (non-voting member)								X

GAC Voting rights. Council approved:

- **Note that after a student seats a full Graduate Advisory Committee, they may add anyone they like to the committee as a participating member (with advisor approval and must hold GFS at UNLV). Additional members joining a full GAC will be a voting member if they have been granted the following GFS privileges (See GFS Privileges Table below) in the students' home department:**

(i) for Masters committees, the additional member hold at least the “GAC Member Master’s Only” (Level 4 or above)

(ii) for Doctoral committees, the additional member hold at least “GAC Member All Levels” (Level 2 or above)

The additional member is a non-voting member if they solely hold the “Extra GAC Member-only” designation (Level 7).

Full GFS guidelines may be found [here](#). Questions regarding GFS should be directed to GradFacStatus@unlv.edu

GFS Privileges Table

Graduate Faculty Status (GFS) is organized as follows:

Level	Privileges	Doctoral GAC Chair	Doctoral GAC Member	Master's GAC Chair	Master's GAC Member	Graduate College Rep	Teach all levels	Teach Master's only	Extra GAC
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									Member ONLY
1	Doctoral GAC Chair All Levels	X	X	X	X	X	X		
2	GAC Member All Levels		X	X	X	X	X		
3	GAC Chair Master's Only			X	X	X		X	
4	GAC Member Master's Only				X	X		X	
5	Graduate Instructor 1						X		X
6	Graduate Instructor 2							X	X
7	Extra GAC Member only (non-voting member)								X

- Graduate Awards <https://www.unlv.edu/graduatecollege/faculty#> (Emily)
 - NSHE Grad Scholar Deadline fast approaching-Oct. 5
<https://www.unlv.edu/provost/awards-recognition> (**Nevada Regents' Scholar Award - Undergraduate and Graduate Students**)
 - Other Graduate Awards (Students & Faculty) - Dec. 1st
<https://pub.s7.exacttarget.com/wmyizjyf0lq>

- Curriculum Changes (Emily)
 - **Program proposals:**
<https://www.unlv.edu/graduatecollege/new-programs-committee>
 - **Course proposals:**
<https://www.unlv.edu/graduatecollege/curriculum-committee>
 - **Final technical review** for any program/course proposals conducted by the Graduate College is **April 1st, 2021 @ 5pm**

- Graduate Coordinator Stipends (Emily)
 - Please download and electronically sign [Graduate Coordinators' Annual Allocation Agreement form](#). Return to gradassociatedean@unlv.edu no later than **Nov. 1st, 2020**.
 - Please let Emily know if there are any changes asap to deans, associate deans, department chairs, College/School level Curriculum Chairs, or graduate coordinators.

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- Graduate College [SWOT Analysis, Strategic Plan](#) & Operational Plans (Kate)
- Guest speaker: Dean Maggie Farrell, UNLV Libraries
 - [An Update from the Dean of Libraries 8/31/2020](#)