## **Graduate Council Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, February 2, 2022, Noon to 1:00 PM

Zoom: https://umsystem.zoom.us/j/94453670096?pwd=aE9qVkZ0OUtVMGhiTSthYXd5aWo3UT09

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- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes from November 3, 2021 Meeting
- 3. Nominations will be Requested Soon via Email for the 2021-22 Outstanding Contributions to Graduate Studies and Graduate Staff Excellence Awards
- 4. Graduate Faculty Membership Renewals
  - Those expiring in 2022 must reapply either by March 7 (for May vote) or October 3 (for December vote). Email reminders will be forthcoming.
- 5. Nominations will soon be requested for the following Faculty Standing Committees
  - Budgetary Affairs
    - One member must be elected by the Graduate Faculty at the May 2022 meeting to serve a two-year term (to replace Dr. Bih-Ru Lea whose membership is expiring May 2022)
    - o Dr. Jeffrey Winiarz remains as the second member from the Graduate Faculty until May 2023
  - Curricula
    - One member must be elected by the Graduate Council at the April 2022 meeting to serve a two-year term (to replace Dr. Kyle Perry whose membership is expiring May 2022)
- 6. Nominations will soon be requested for the 2022-23 Graduate Faculty President and Secretary (to be elected by the Graduate Faculty at the May 2022 meeting)
- 7. Update on Ad Hoc Committee to Discuss the Process to Remove an Advisor or Committee Member from a Thesis/Dissertation Committee
  - Charge was sent to the committee and a meeting will be scheduled soon for discussion
- 8. Update from Graduate Student Bill of Rights Ad Hoc Committee (Dr. Clair Kueny, Chair)
  - Tabled from November meeting due to lack of time
- 9. Potential Need for Standing Liaison Committee Between Graduate Faculty and Faculty Senate
  - Tabled from October/November meetings due to lack of time after some discussion
- 10. Potential Need for Standing Rules and Regulations Committee (some examples below)
  - Tabled from October/November meetings due to lack of time
  - Change in requirements for selection of Graduate Council members
  - Changes to campus administrative structure

- 11. Modify Grad Track Pathway to Allow Variable Units of Three to Nine Hours as Shared Credit (Dr. Matt Thimgan, Biological Sciences)
  - Tabled from November meeting due to lack of time
- 12. Potential Need for Revision of Thesis & Dissertation Specifications Regarding Publication Option Format (Dr. Costas Tsatsoulis)
  - Tabled from November meeting after discussion ensued due to lack of time
- 13. Should Students in Certificate Programs Be Required to Apply for Certificate Completion Prior to Receiving Admission to a Master's Program? (Dr. Costas Tsatsoulis)
- 14. Establishment of Three New Graduate Programs Without Graduate Faculty Review, which is in Direct Conflict with CRR 300.030.D.1.c. and CRR 300.030.D.5.d(2) See page 3 for program (slide presented by Vice Provost Concepción at the January 2022 Faculty Senate meeting) and CRR details
- 15. Posting of GRE/GMAT Requirements by the Office of the Dean of Enrollment Management (<a href="https://futurestudents.mst.edu/admissions/graduate/checklist/">https://futurestudents.mst.edu/admissions/graduate/checklist/</a>), Appears to Bypass Department Input, which is in Violation of CRR 300.030.D.1.c. See page 3 for CRR details
- 16. New Business





Launching face-to-face programs in St. Louis Spring 2022

- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

GEER grant (management and workforce development)

- Online, noncredit, four-week courses starting in February
- Credential in Systems-level Project Management
- Credential in Human Resource Management



CRR 300.030.D.1.c states the following in describing the responsibility and authority of departments:

"Proposals for changes in curriculum or courses may be initiated by the department and submitted to the Curricula Committee. Each department, acting in accordance with the Rules and Regulations established by the Board of Curators and Campus Policy, shall have delegated directly to it by the General Faculty jurisdiction over matters primarily of interest only to that department. This includes but is not limited to: entrance requirements for degree programs; the curricula of the department; action concerning petitions for changes in prescribed courses of study presented by individual students enrolled in the department; decisions concerning the scholastic standing of students enrolled in the department; recommendations to the General Faculty concerning the granting of degrees to students enrolled in the department; and primary responsibility for maintaining and improving the academic excellence of the department."

## CRR 300.030.D.5.d(2) states:

"The Campus Curricula Committee will submit proposals for new graduate programs or significant changes to existing graduate programs to the Graduate Faculty for approval prior to being considered by the Faculty Senate."