

Graduate Council Meeting Agenda

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

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1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes from February 16, 2022 Meeting
3. Informational - Office of Graduate Studies Working to Create Google Forms Workflow for Graduate Forms Approvals
 - Plans to begin testing phase with selected departments soon, and will present results to Graduate Council in a future meeting
4. Ad Hoc Committee for Removing Advisor/Committee Member Requests Council Members to Provide Examples of Specific Challenges that Departments have Encountered or Anticipate (No advisor or student names required)
 - Information may be emailed to Kathy Shepherd at kcshepherd@mst.edu
5. Should Students in Certificate Programs Be Required to Apply for Certificate Completion Prior to Receiving Admission to a Master's Program? (Dr. Costas Tsatsoulis)
 - Tabled from February meetings due to lack of time
6. Potential Need for Standing Rules and Regulations Committee (some examples below)
 - Tabled from February meetings due to lack of time for discussion
 - Change in requirements for selection of Graduate Council members
 - Changes to campus administrative structure in regard to automatic membership
 - Clarification of membership requirements when faculty changes positions
 - Ensure rules are/remain in compliance with CRR's
7. Revise Graduate Catalog – GPA Requirements for Graduate Students (Office of Graduate Studies) (See page 2 for suggested changes)
 - In previous 2020-21 catalog revision, GPA requirement for awarding graduate certificate was inadvertently changed from GPA in four certificate courses to cumulative GPA
 - Correcting requirement and modifying text in catalog for clarity
8. Discussion to Remove Requirement for Office of Graduate Studies to Provide Prior Authorization of Doctoral Comprehensive Exam (Office of Graduate Studies)
 - Allows departments flexibility to monitor own requirements, which do vary
 - Eliminate Graduate Form 6A, rename Form 6B to Form 6, and update requirement in Graduate Catalog
9. Discussion to Eliminate 'Application to Conduct Off-Campus Research' Form (Dr. Steve Corns)
10. New Business

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In order to earn a graduate certificate, a student must achieve a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the four courses approved for the certificate.

~~Master's and doctoral students must also achieve a GPA of 3.0 or higher for all graduate courses listed on the plan of study (Form 1 for master's students and Form 5 for doctoral students).~~

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Corrections with Track Changes Accepted (To show updated section as it would appear in the Graduate Catalog)

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