

# Graduate Council Meeting Agenda

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

**Room 209 Computer Science & Zoom:**

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Meeting ID: 923 5814 4814 / Password: 953352

1. Roll Call
2. Consent Agenda
  - a. Approval of Minutes from October 5, 2022 Meeting
  - b. Ad hoc Rules and Regulations Committee Update
  - c. Ad hoc Stipend X Committee Update – Charge has been sent; first meeting to be scheduled soon
  - d. Update on Sub-committee for Graduate Student Success and Creation of a Graduate Student Academic Year Performance Form
3. Election for 2022-23 End of Year Awards Committee
  - Four must be members of Graduate Faculty / One must be a staff member working with a graduate program/office (Nominations: Dr. Gayla Olbricht, Dr. Serhat Hosder, Dr. Clair Kueny, Dr. Hongxian Zhang, Karen Walberg)
4. Revise Sections III and IV of the Graduate Faculty Rules and Regulations to Include Additional Requirements for Full Membership Renewal – See page 2 for suggested changes
5. Revise Graduate Catalog – Comprehensive Examination for the Master of Science Degree without Thesis (Dr. Matt Thimgan, Biological Sciences) – See page 2 for suggested changes
6. Revised Proposal from Ad hoc Committee for Removing Advisor/Committee Member (Tabled from April and October meetings)
  - Creation of contingency procedure for authorizing the unilateral removal of an advisor/member
7. New Business

## Supporting Information for Agenda Item 4:

### III. MEMBERSHIP

C. 3. He or she shall have shown evidence of encouraging and implementing the scholarly work of those studying beyond the Baccalaureate degree. Examples of such evidence may consist of:

a. Testimonials of graduate students who have completed coursework.

b. Evaluations of graduate student mentoring.

c. Appropriate peer-reviewed publications co-authored with graduate students.

C. 43. He or she shall have shown evidence of activity in research or in creative or scholarly work beyond that comprised in earning his or her own higher degree. Examples of such evidence may consist of:

a. Appropriate publications in refereed journals, or proceedings of technical or research conferences where the participants have been selected by a program committee.

b. An active research program which has either received support on the basis of a research proposal judged by competent scholars, or which the Membership Committee of the Graduate Faculty, after careful consideration, evaluates to be of high quality. If the program has been active for several years, it must have resulted in publications to be admissible as evidence.

c. Teaching and development of new courses at the graduate level, which may include the authorship of textbooks.

### IV. ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP

A. Petitions for membership in the Graduate Faculty shall be submitted to the Vice Provost of Graduate Education by the Chairs of the Departments concerned no later than the first day of October during the Fall Semester and the first day of March during the Spring Semester. The petition shall be accompanied by appropriate evidence ~~that the department chair feels~~ necessary to substantiate the qualifications of the individual being considered for membership (see III. Membership).

## Supporting Information for Agenda Item 5:

### Comprehensive Examination for the Master of Science Degree without Thesis

~~The biological sciences~~ Some departments requires candidates to ~~take successfully complete~~ a final comprehensive examination, which will be administered by an examining committee, typically in their final semester/session. The candidate must be enrolled at the time of the examination. The candidate will receive a passing grade if all, or all but one, of the members vote to pass based on the departmental criteria set when the exam is administered. The candidate must successfully complete a final written comprehensive examination that is administered by an examining committee.

For candidates whose department requires a comprehensive examination, a committee will be designated by submitting the Form 1-B, first to the department chair and then to the vice provost of graduate education. The committee must consist of at least ~~five~~ three members, ~~one of which must be from outside the candidate's major department.~~ The chair and at least half of the committee members must be members of the Missouri S&T graduate faculty. If a committee member is not a member of graduate faculty, a vita verifying equivalent level (or higher) of education must be provided with the Form 1-B.

~~The comprehensive examination will be given in the candidate's final semester. The candidate must be enrolled at the time of the examination. The candidate will receive a passing grade if all, or all but one, of the members vote to pass.~~ Results of the comprehensive examination must be submitted on the Form 3, first to the department chair and then to the vice provost of graduate education. A student who fails the examination twice will no longer be eligible to receive a graduate degree from that program. However, the student is still eligible to pursue a graduate degree from any other graduate degree program willing to accept them.