University Council on Graduate Study  
February 23, 2016  
Minutes  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
817 Cathedral of Learning  

Members Attending  
Alberta Sbragia (Provost’s Office and Arts and Sciences, Chair), Kathleen Blee (Arts and Sciences, Associate Dean), Bernard Costello (Dental Medicine), Vivian Curran (School of Law), Sandra Engberg (School of Nursing), Eleanor Feingold, (Public Health), Kelley Fitzgerald (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences), Dennis Galletta (Business), Teresa Hastings (Interdisciplinary Programs), LaTriece Holland (GPSG), John Horn (Medicine), Joseph Kozak (GPSG – President), Lindsay Matsumura (Education), Paul Nelson (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs), Mitali Patil (GPSG), Jay Raigopal (Engineering), Linda Rinaman (Arts and Sciences), Kirk Savage, (Arts and Sciences, History of Art and Architecture), and Martin Weiss (School of Information Sciences)  

Guests  
Alexander Sorkin (SOM), Bruce Freeman (SOM), Rabi Chatterjee (Katz), Mark Roberts (GSPH), Ryan Mahramas (University Registrar’s Office)  

Proposal to Establish a new major in Biomedical Science leading to the Master of Science the School of Medicine  
The proposed master of science program will attract students who have earned their undergraduate degree and intend to apply to medical, dental, nursing, or graduate school, but need to sharpen their science background as well as fine tune their skill set.  

A council member suggested that this program not be marketed towards those who are planning to pursue a research doctoral degree as there are other programs in place that would better serve that student.  

Council briefly discussed the proposed certificate. A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the master’s be approved. All members voted in favor of the motion.  

Proposal to Establish a new joint program leading to the existing Master of Business Administration and Master of Health Administration from the Katz Graduate School of Business and the Graduate School of Public Health  
The proposed joint program will satisfy the increasing market for the rapid advancement of health care technology as well as cost and quality of health care services.
A council member asked where the program sees its graduates finding jobs. Students who complete the program may seek jobs in hospital administration or as senior leaders of health care organizations or insurance companies.

Council had no additional discussion. A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the joint program be approved. All members voted in favor of the motion.

**Ryan Mahramas, Associate University Registrar for Student Services**
Ryan Mahramas presented information on retroactive changes to a transcript as well as the guidelines pertaining to the requirement to be registered in the term of graduation.

According to policy, a request to waive the registration requirement in the term of graduation can be made by the Dean. Council discussed adding “or designee” to that policy. This matter, among others pertaining to the topics mentioned above will be forwarded to the Graduate Policies subcommittee for a detailed review.

Council approved the Minutes of the January 19, 2016 Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35pm.