University Council on Graduate Study  
September 13, 2016  
Minutes  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
817 Cathedral of Learning

Members Attending  
Alberta Sbragia (Provost’s Office and Arts and Sciences, Chair), Jonathan Arac (Arts and Sciences, Social Sciences) Kathleen Blee (Arts and Sciences, Associate Dean), Cynthia Bryce (GSPH), Vivian Curran (Law), Sandra Engberg (Nursing), G. Kelley Fitzgerald (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences), Ayres Mario Freitas (Arts and Sciences, Physics and Astronomy), Mike Gunzenhauser (Education), John Horn (Medicine), Jeffrey Inman (Katz), Tara Meyer (Arts and Sciences), Paul Nelson (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs), Mitali Patil (GPSG – Bioengineering), Anthony Petrosky (Education), Corbin Powlus (GPSG – Business Administration), Marla Ripoll (Arts and Sciences, Social Sciences), Justin Saver (GPSG – President), Jeffrey Shook (Social Work), Michael Turnwald (GPSG – Physical Therapy), Qing Ming Wang (Engineering), Aliyah Weinstein (GPSG – Dermatology), Martin Weiss (Information Sciences), and Travis Wisor (University Registrar’s Office)

Guests  
Eric Beckman (Engineering), Melissa Bilec (Engineering), Ronald Larsen (School of Information Sciences), Larry Shuman (Engineering), and Taieb Znati (Department of Computer Science)

Proposal to Establish a new major in Sustainable Engineering leading to the new Master of Science in Sustainable Engineering degree type in the Swanson School of Engineering  
The master of science in sustainable engineering is a new 30-credit professional master’s program. This is the second program in the Swanson school that will span the entire school and will be administered within the Mascaro Center. The new program will enable students to identify and solve sustainability issues using systems approaches in the context of environmental, societal, and economic problems.

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

Proposal to Establish a new school, School of Computing & Information (SCI)  
Drs. Larsen and Znati presented the proposal to create a new school, the School of Computing and Information (SCI). The new school will incorporate faculties of the existing School of Information Sciences and the Department of Computer Sciences within the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences. The new school will initially consist of three departments: Computer Science, Informatics & Networked Systems, and Information Culture & Data Stewardship.
Council discussed and a motion was made and seconded to endorse the proposed new School. A formal vote of approval was not required. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Subcommittee Membership

Graduate Procedures
Jonathan Arac
Bernard Costello
Sandie Engberg (chair)
Eleanor Feingold
Kelley Fitzgerald
Tara Meyer
Paul Nelson
Anthony Petrosky
Jay Rajgopal
Marla Ripoll

Graduate Student Affairs
Dennis Galletta
Michael Gunzenhauser
Teresa Hastings
John Horn
Samuel Poloyac
Corbin Powlus
Justin Saver
Martin Weiss
Travis Wisor

Council approved the Minutes of the May 17, 2016 Meeting.


The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.