TO: University Council on Graduate Study
FROM: Alberta Sbragia
DATE: May 16, 2013

SUBJECT: Next Meeting of Council: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in 817 Cathedral of Learning

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please send a substitute in your place and notify Paula Janikowski by e-mail at plj5@pitt.edu.

AGENDA

I. Welcome

II. Proposal to Establish Graduate and Post-baccalaureate Certificates in Electric Power Engineering from the Swanson School of Engineering (attached)
   The proposed certificates were designed primarily to meet the workforce development needs for electrical energy professionals in Electric Power Engineering. The majority of the masters-level courses in the proposed program will be offered as in-class and synchronous distance learning options. Three new courses will be developed. The post-baccalaureate certificate will be subject to federal Gainful Employment requirements.

III. Proposal to Establish an Early Admission Option for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) from the School of Nursing (attached)
   The School seeks approval to establish an early admissions option to its Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program by Registered Nurses (RN) who are pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. This program is an extension of the existing RN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) track that was approved in 2008.

IV. Approval of Minutes, February 19, 2013 (attached)

V. Announcements

VI. Updates from the Graduate and Professional Student Government (GP SG)
   The university-wide orientation for graduate students featuring university-wide services, organizations, and resources will be held on September 5, 2013 in the O’Hara Student Center from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Reminder
Gateway Clipper Orientation for new international graduate students will be held on Thursday afternoon on August 15, 2013. The event is sponsored by the Office of International Services, with support from the Office of the Provost. Please hold the date on your calendar and consider encouraging your new international students to attend. Typically, one faculty member from each school is asked to attend to meet their students. The orientation will be held on a larger boat, so that more students can attend.

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