TO: University Council on Graduate Study  
FROM: Alberta Sbragia  
DATE: February 10, 2012  
SUBJECT: Next Meeting of Council: Tuesday, February 21, 2012 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 Maryann Gray by e-mail at magray@pitt.edu.

AGENDA

I. Program Proposal: Graduate and Post-Professional Certificates in Comparative Effectiveness Research from the School of Medicine (proposal attached)
The proposed certificates aim to provide students in the Schools of the Health Sciences additional training in studies directly comparing clinically plausible choices in order to expedite the translation of best therapies into practice. The Institute for Clinical Research Education will administer the program, and the School of Medicine will award the certificate.

II. Program Proposal: Graduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis from the School of Education (proposal attached)
The proposed certificate program aims to provide students theoretical instruction and clinical application to address the needs of children who are served within Special Education and Behavioral Health services. The coursework offered in the proposed program will partially fulfill the requirements to become a Board Certified Behavior Analysis. No new courses are needed.

III. Program Proposal: Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering (MSNE) from the Swanson School of Engineering (proposal attached)
The proposed program will offer students two tracks: a professional, non-thesis 30-credit option to support students who are already working or want to work in the industry, and a 33-credit research-based thesis option for full-time graduate students. The majority of the masters-level courses in the proposed program will be offered as in-class and synchronous distance learning options; the latter option is typically preferred by the students in the professional track. The MSNE is a new degree type.

IV. Proposal to Terminate Two Graduate Certificates from the Swanson School of Engineering (proposal attached)
Engineering would like to terminate the Certificate of Advanced Study in Clinical Cardiovascular Engineering and the Certificate of Advanced Study in Rehabilitation Engineering. It has been several years since students have enrolled in these programs. I bring these proposals to Council for review in order to satisfy

V. Approval of Minutes, November 15, 2011 (attached)

VI. Announcements

VII. Update on Open Access from Dr. Rush Miller, Director

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