

ACADEMIC SENATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

Graduate Studies Advisory Committee

Annual Report AY 2021-22

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Membership

Elected Members: Vesna Terzic (COE); Suzanne Wechsler/ (CLA); Virginia Gray (CHHS); Kevin Sinchak (CNSM); Ying Liu (COB); Jyotsna Pattnaik/Erin Biolchino (CED); Colleen Dunagan (COTA)

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Introduction

The Graduate Studies -Numbered Courses

3. Requested colleges to elect alternates

Based on these actions, recommendations for the AY 22-23 GSAC to facilitate GSAC's processes, foster the success of graduate students, and improve the quality of graduate programs are provided.

The Policy on Master's Degrees

- 1. The committee sought to improve progress to degree, reduce requests for exceptions, enhance policy clarity, and advance quality of graduate programs by drafting an updated Policy on Master's Degrees.
- 2. The draft combines PS 14-01 Requirements for Master's Degrees, 18-03 Policy on Graduate Studies 700 (GS700), 12-12 Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) Policy.
- 3. GSAC primarily acted as a committee of the whole to combine, review, and edit the current policy on master's degrees into a new policy.
- 4. Subcommittees were only created to tidy the language in the new policy.
- 5. GSAC members sought feedback from programs in their colleges to ensure that other graduate programs supported the changes, deletions, and additions to the policy.
- 6. The final draft was recommended and shared with Dr. Jody Cormack to forward to CEPC on the committee's behalf.

Recommendations for the AY 2022-23 GSAC

On Process

- 1. The charge of this committee did not include a historian, yet one is needed.
- 2. At the *first meeting* of the semester,
 - a. Request a volunteer to act as historian, who may assist the chair, take minutes, and edit working drafts.
 - b. Create a GSAC Graduate S5a60 (no)yJ0.0 Tc **606**nhttp:J0t@als&vev0.0iew appeal cases.
- 3. Ensure each college has elected an alternate
- 4. Draft an atpJ0.0al protocol/procedures for use by the curre **and** fuTc 0e GSAC Graduate S5a60 ()yJ0.0 Tc 005 TtpJ0.0als Suommittee

On Substance

- 1. Consider:
 - a. What is the mJ0.0aning of a graduate dJ0.0grJ0.0J0.0?
 - b. What does it mJ0.0an to have a