

Graduate Studies Advisory Committee (GSAC)
Minutes
Thursday, September 21, 2023
10:30am-12:00PM

10:30-10:31: Call Meeting to Order Chair, Dina Perrone

10:32-10:34: Review and Approve Agenda

10:35-10:40: Introductions (Name, College, Dept/School/Program)

Romo	Alejandra
Chauhan	Aishwarya
Terzic	Ves0 Approve Age

Studies, an MPP. Given GSAC is an Academic Senate committee, the question arose if an MPP can chair the committee. The majority of Senate committees have clauses saying that only faculty can chair the committee, but this committee did not have this charge. Senate Executive Committee is deciding if that needs to be added.

- o Pei-Fang will bring the decision of Senate Exec to the October meeting.

10:51-11:00: *Overview of GSAC Meetings: AY 23-24*

Grad Student Pulse Monthly

‡ = Graduate Center Monthly

Presentations: Strategic Plan (Sept.); Grad Student Surveys (Oct.); Career Dev Center for Grad Students (Nov); Marketing Grad Programs (Sam Anvari-Graphic Design/Nov.); Grad Health & Wellness (Dr. Zavala /Feb.)

Discussion Topics: Spring Retreat Topics, AI in Culminating Activities (Continued), & Repeat/Delete for Grads (Oct.)

- o Currently, it is CSULB policy (14-01 and in the revision awaiting Senate reading) that when a graduate student does not pass a course (C or above) and repeats the course, the initial course grade does not delete but is averaged in to the new course grade. Some programs have asked that we revise this policy. The Chancellor's Office allows each CSU to determine how to handle repeated courses for graduate students. If GSAC seeks to revise, they would need to make an amendment when the policy arrives on the Senate floor, which Pei-Fung hopes will be this academic year.

GSAC Suggestions?

- o No suggestions provided, the structure will remain, and input will be welcomed via email to dina.perrone@csulb.edu before the next GSAC

11:01-11:11: *Graduate Student Pulse: Alejandra Romo & Aishwarya Chauhan*

- Graduate students are concerned about:

- o The CSU Mission on DEAS 1 144.05 501.4 Tm0 G(r)8(repeat)-5(ed c)-9(o)00912 0 612 92 re30 138. Wide tui
- o Access to services for the Undocumented community
- o Availability of parking on campus
- o Food availability for Assistants working on on-campus
- o Jobs and internships availability for international and undocumented students

11:12-11:30: *Presentation: [Graduate Studies Strategic Plan](#), Jody Cormack*

- GSSI The previous Dean of Graduate Studies, Dr. Cecile Lindsay, convened the Graduate Student Success Initiative to expand graduate student resources and programming.
- Due to Beach 2030, Graduate Studies began to create a strategic plan in earnest. The new Dean of Graduate Studies, Dr. Jody Cormack, met with individuals in qualitative research exercise in 2019 to talk about specific issues and goals. It has been revisited and finalized this past year. We now have our first ever Grad Studies Mission/Vision and Tag Liner.

- Accept/Deny + \$150 Enrollment Deposit
- International Apps due March 15

11:58-11:59: Good of the Order?

12:00: Adjournment

Next GSAC meeting: October 19