

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2019 MEETING OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL

PLACE: Couper Administration Building – Room 148

PRESENCE: [Illegible]

MEMBERS: [Illegible]

Host: Professor Mahamud Zakaria, Adam Costa, Ph.D., M.Ed., M.A.

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EX OFFICIO Sarah Lam

MEMBERS:

EXCUSED/ABSENT: Prof. Ami Bar-On, Timothy Barnes (GSO), Subimal Chatterjee, Yu

Chen, Paul Connor, Jonathan Christiansen, Mary Beth Curtin, Robert

Guay, Paul Parker, Mark Poliks, Gale Spencer, Christine Sylvester (GSO), Elizabeth Tucker, Leigh Ann Wheeler, Shengsheng Zhou (GSO)

I. CALL TO ORDER:

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II. MINUTES

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III. Report from Committees

Curriculum Committee: Associate Dean Sarah Lam reported that the Committee met on

February 16, 2019, and discussed the proposal for a new M.S. in Data Analytics degree.

Associate Dean Lam presented the proposal for reform to PhD Program in Sociology. Jason Moore was on hand to answer questions. A formal vote was taken and the proposal was approved unanimously.

Associate Dean Lam presented a summary of the MS in Data Analytics degree proposal. The

This proposal went through an external review. Reviewers were Kabikar Chatterjee from

University of Pittsburgh and Simon Chatterjee from Texas A & M University, Merit A. Samuelson

document. Their continued enrollment will require the specific written endorsement of the
Director of Graduate Studies and approval by the Assistant Dean of the Graduate School”

“A graduate program may only continue a student with a cumulative GPA below 2.0 on
evaluation for a maximum of three semesters (including summer sessions)”

“Students whose grade point average would place them on a fourth semester of academic
probation will require the specific written endorsement of the Director of Graduate Studies and approval by
the Assistant Dean of the Graduate School”

The proposed change was voted upon and approved.

Dean Tarhule noted that the ASC also discussed enrolling criteria. The issue is that students
especially for international students. The Committee could agree with a risk already and
recommends that

Students whose grade point average would put them at risk of severance in
spring should be re-enrolled only in the fall semester. Departments should
also be encouraged to more strictly follow existing guidelines which require
that students who are placed on probation should be held during the fall semester.

No vote was taken as it entailed no policy change.

The next discussion was another FVI regarding severed students on the PhD track. The question
was whether PhD students who are severed prior to receiving their degree should be awarded a
master's degree. The ASC voted and recommended that the affected school resolve such
matters internally.

Dean Tarhule reported on some discussions the ASC had about possibly streamlining the
and approval process. The CC decided to leave the existing process unchanged. Dean

Administrative Committee for Scholarship and Research. This Committee meets every week. No

Clark Advisory Committee – This Committee met on February 13, 2018. Committee reviewed 12 nominations in this round. Seven offers have been made. The next deadline is Thursday, March 1.

Strategic Planning Committee – not met

IV. NEW BUSINESS

The Graduate School announced they have an open position for Faculty Fellow.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. after a motion by Anne Clark and seconded by Yetric Hathout.



Minutes recorded by Patty Gabriel,
Secretary to the Vice Provost and Dean
of the Graduate School