

**COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE AFFAIRS (CCGA)
ANNUAL REPORT 2000-2001**

TO THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE:

CCGA has two overarching responsibilities: it considers policy issues related to graduate education at the University and it reviews all campus proposals for new graduate programs and schools. The 2000-2001 academic year was a busy one for CCGA in both areas, but it seems to have been one of the busiest ever for program and school review. Spurred on by expanding enrollments, faculty were proposing both programs and schools at rapid rate during the year. At its June meeting, CCGA had 18 program and school proposals on its agenda; during the year, the committee reviewed a total of 41 proposed actions regarding these academic units. A full list of program proposals considered by the committee can be found at the end of this report.

As in the past, policy issues took up about half the committee's meeting time during the year. A perennial issue facing CCGA has been that of increasing the proportion of graduate students at the University, and increasing financial support for those students. The 2000-2001 academic year was notable in that, during it, a high-level University panel was working toward realizing both these goals. UC's Commission on the Growth and Support of Graduate Education — composed of Regents, faculty, administrators and students — met throughout the year to devise strategies for adding some 11,000 UC graduate students in the coming decade, while providing enhanced support for both new and existing students. Both the Chair and Vice Chair of CCGA were members of the Commission. The Commission's sense of what might be possible — at least in the near-term — was somewhat diminished during the course of the year as the state's fiscal woes mounted. At year's end, the Commission had not yet delivered its set of recommendations.

The committee was quite concerned this year with the initiative by the California State University to independently award doctoral degrees, specifically the Ed.D degree. There was consensus on the committee that, if approved by the Legislature and Governor, the Cal State proposal stands to be harmful not only to the University of California, but to public higher education in the state generally. On a statewide level, consideration of this issue was being carried out in the context of a review of California's Master Plan for Higher Education, which delineates the roles of UC, CSU, and the California Community Colleges. CCGA felt that, if approved, the Cal State initiative stands to erode the specialization among public higher education

institutions that has served California so well. The committee was heartened by President Atkinson's decision to publicly oppose the Cal State initiative.

Early in 2001, the President announced a broad set of initiatives intended to be responsive to a perceived need in the state for more graduate-level training in education. These initiatives included the creation of more joint doctoral programs with CSU, an expansion of the existing UC/CSU joint doctoral programs, the creation of a new Institute for Educational Leadership at UC that would study the field of academic preparation in education, and a doubling, over the next decade, of the production of educational doctoral degree recipients at UC and in UC/CSU joint programs. CCGA discussed this ambitious agenda at length with administrators from the Office of the President. One component part of the President's initiatives is the development of a systemwide framework for the establishment of Ed.D. programs at UC's campuses. The President's intention is that students on all eight general campuses eventually will be able to work toward Ed.D. degrees.

One of the agenda items that kept the committee busy this year was a review of proposed professional schools – notably in law (at UCR and UCI) and in management (at UCSD). In line with UC's expanding enrollments, a number of other schools also were proposed during the year. CCGA is one of four Senate committees charged with reviewing such proposals at two stages: early in their development and then later, when they have been shaped into detailed, polished proposals. Because of their complexity, the management and law proposals took up an inordinate amount of committee time during the year. One of the vexing issues the law proposals raised was the matter of how to deal with *competing* proposals for a given kind of professional school. Given the reality of limited resources, CCGA felt it had an obligation to render a judgment on the question: Should the Academic Senate be involved in comparative review of proposals for similar schools? The committee concluded that the Senate should engage (with the administration) in a comparative review of the UCR and UCI law school proposals – a conclusion shared by the Academic Council, which has proposed such a review to the Office of the President.

During the course of the year, the committee also took up the following policy issues:

- The promulgation of systemwide policies regarding postdoctoral scholars
- The authority of campus Graduate Councils over the awarding of graduate fellowships
- The authority of campus Graduate Councils over professional degrees other than those reviewed by outside professional boards
- The degree to which campuses are carrying out systematic review of all of their graduate programs
- The addition of graduate students as members of CCGA, rather than visitors, albeit with votes of the students recorded separately.

The table that follows sets forth graduate program proposals reviewed by CCGA during the 2000-2001 academic year, and the disposition of these proposals as of August 2001. "Approval" of a program did not necessarily mean approval of the program as first submitted to CCGA. In a number of instances, programs were approved only after being modified in accordance with CCGA recommendations.

Program Proposed	Disposition
UCSD, M.A.S. in Management and Healthcare Organizations	Approved contingent upon financial aid plan 7/11/00
UCLA, S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science)	In process
UCSC, two tracks in Ph.D. and master's programs: Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology (MCD) and Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (EEB)	Approved as interim arrangement, 10/17/00
UCLA, M.A. in East Asian Studies, UCLA	Approved 12/12/00
UCD, International Commercial Law Program	Approved 11/7/00
UCLA, merger, Ph.D. Programs in Dept. of Physiology, creating an Interdepartmental Ph.D. Program in Molecular, Cellular, and Integrative Physiology	Approved 11/7/00
UCI, M.A. in Teaching	Approved, 1/9/01
UCR, M.F.A. in Dance	Approved 1/9/01
UCI, M.S./Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering	Approved 3/6/01
UCI, M.A./Ph.D. in Anthropology	Approved 1/9/01
UCD, M.S. in Cell and Developmental Biology	Approved 5/8/01
UCB, Joint Ph.D. in Demography & Sociology	In process
UCSD, M.Ed.	Approved 4/10/01
UCSD, M.A., Ph.D. in Bioinformatics	Approved 7/10/01
UCSD, M.A. and Ph.D. in Art History, Theory, and Criticism	Approved 6/12/01
UCR, M.S., Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering	Approved 7/10/01
UCI, M.A., Ph.D. in Sociology	Approved, 4/10/01
UCD, Grad group, M.S., Viticulture and Enology	Approved 4/10/01
UCSF/SFSU, DPTSc in Physical Therapy Science	Approved 5/8/01
UCSF, Ph.D., M.S., Graduate Group in Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmacogenomics	Approved 5/8/01
UCLA, merger, Depts. Microbiology and Molecular Genetics (L&S) and Microbiology and Immunology (Medicine) and their B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. programs	Approved 5/8/01
UCR, M.Ed.	Approved 7/10/01
UCD, Grad. Group and M.S. Forensic Science	Approved 7/10/01
UCD, Grad Group, M.S./Ph.D, Biostatistics	Approved 8/30/01
UCLA, M.S. in Biomathematics clinical training	In process
UCLA, M.S./Ph.D. in Neurobiology, renaming, restructuring	In process
UCLA, Discontinue M.A. in Dance	Approved 6/12/01
UCB, Ph.D. in Molecular Toxicology	In process
UCI, M.S./Ph.D. Networked Systems	In process
UCR, M.F.A. Creative Writing, Writing for the Arts	In process
UCLA, M.A. in Moving Image Archive Studies	In process

UCI, M.A.S. in Criminology, Law, & Society	In process
UCLA Discontinue Integrated Manufacturing Interdepartmental program leading to M.Engr.	Approved 7/10/01

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