

COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE AFFAIRS

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

I. **Approval of the Agenda and Minutes**

Action Taken: The agenda and minutes were approved as noticed 8-0-0.

II. **Chair's Report and Consent Item**

Chair Dean Tantillo

The proposed Senate regulation language related to awarding degrees posthumously was approved unanimously.

The Chair reported on the meeting of the APC. The Provost discussed possible ways to support non-DACA undocumented students. UC had been weighing the option of challenging the federal law against their employment, but decided against it. The new plan is to develop a program that will have students register for a one-unit course in experiential learning. Executive Director Jennings added that the new plan has been rolled out, and that 299s can be considered experiential learning. UCOP has allocated some funds for divisional undocumented student centers.

The budget meeting revealed that the state is in even more dire circumstances than was previously thought. The promised funding is going to be delayed or maybe not come through at all.

Chair Tantillo shared the conversation from the Future of Graduate Education meeting, which included discussion about graduate student work. He encouraged members to ask their local graduate councils to respond to the group's interim report. The Chair reported on his subgroup's findings on the topic of incentivizing mentoring. He said that the administrative members of the group were not in favor of options such as teaching relief to encourage and reward mentoring. He intends to challenge that position at the next subgroup meeting. He added that the APM is being revised to make the mentoring requirement more explicit.

III. **Vice Chair's Report**

Vice Chair James Bisley

The Vice Chair reported that the CoGD discussed application fees for graduate students, and if they should be increased. He noted that UC graduate application fees are already higher than many other schools, including private universities. This topic will be discussed again at the next meeting.

UCACC discussed the loss of unlimited Google accounts. Some campuses are coping well, but others are not.

IV. **Executive Session 1**

No minutes are taken during Executive Session.

V. **Announcements from Academic Affairs**

Scott Brandt, AVP for Research and Innovation

Pamela Jennings, Executive Director of Graduate Studies

Todd Greenspan, Executive Advisor, Academic Planning and Policy

Chris Procello, Academic Planning and Research Analyst

Analyst Procello said that President Drake had announced a new systemwide Office of Civil Rights; OP is recruiting now for an Executive Director. Academic Affairs is meeting with Senate staff about first-level revisions to the Compendium for APC. The Provost held a congress on AI and will be holding a final one on May 1 on online education. The Provost is also looking to hold additional congresses next year on research, free speech, and HSIs.

Executive Director Jennings told the committee that Grad Slam will be held on May 3 at LinkedIn in San Francisco. Her office is also providing three years of funding for academic preparation programs. UC was able to get more California lottery funds to support UC LEADS and Cal-Bridge. Her office is investigating why students do not enroll at UC, and funding has been a big part of that. Her office is gearing up for the Summer Institute for Emerging Managers and Leaders that it hosts in conjunction with the six UC business schools. This program specifically targets students from the HSIs and HBCUs, and has already shown an improvement of those students enrolling in UC's graduate programs. Finally, the HIS program review will take place later this month and the deadline for the HBCU program is March 15.

Executive Advisor Greenspan informed the committee that his office is currently engaged with the multi-year enrollment plan. Campuses are asked to respond by mid-April. He observed that this year will be particularly interesting in terms of graduate enrollment, because of the decline in enrollment and the stipulations of the governor's Compact. Discussions are underway as to how to increase enrollment by 2500 students over the next few years. His office is also staffing the instructional modalities group for undergraduate degrees and there is a related presidential task force and congress on May 1. He reported that the state is conducting an audit of UC and CSU regarding online programs.

VI. **CoGD Report**

Dean Jean-Pierre Delplanque

Dean Delplanque was not present.

VII. New Program Proposals

- A. Proposal for an MS in Medical Physiology on the Los Angeles Campus [SSGPDP]
Lead Reviewer: David Booth

The reviewers are working on the proposal.

- B. Proposal for a Master of Engineering in Medical Device Development on the Davis Campus [SSGPDP]
Lead Reviewer: Tonya Williams Bradford

The committee is waiting on the UCPB report.

- C. Proposal for a PhD in Public Health with a Concentration in Health Services Research and Implementation Science on the San Diego Campus
Lead Reviewer: Sarita See

Four reviews are in and are largely positive. However, there are some questions the Lead Reviewer is going to take back to the proposers.

- D. Proposal for a School of Population and Public Health on the Irvine Campus
Lead Reviewer: David Barner

Four reviews are in. The two from UC are fairly positive, but the external reviewer says the program is not compatible with the credentialing criteria.

- E. Proposal for a DNP – Nurse Anesthesia on the Davis Campus [SSGPDP]
Lead Reviewer: Brooke Scelza

This is a new SSGPDP, and the first one of its kind in the UC system. The Lead Reviewer is working on getting reviewers.

- F. Proposal to add an *en route* MA to the Existing PhD in Psychological Science on the Irvine Campus
Lead Reviewer: Edmund Campion

The Lead Reviewer said that the proposal explains the background that led to the request. The proposal met the four criteria for adding an *en route* MA and had three requests: to include the MA with the existing degree, to change in the deadline to the advancement of candidacy for one quarter, and to remove one of the requirements (which is already met by another course).

Action Taken: The proposal was approved 10-0-1.

- G. Proposal for a Master in Management on the Irvine Campus

Action Taken: Jeffery Schank was assigned as Lead Reviewer.

- H. Proposal for a Part-Time Master of Science in Business Analytics on the Irvine Campus

Action Taken: James Bisley was assigned as Lead Reviewer.

- I. Proposal to add an *en route* MS to the Existing PhD in Environmental Science and Management on the Santa Barbara Campus.

Action Taken: Michael Scheibner was assigned as Lead Reviewer.

VIII. Campus Reports

Members reported on matters related to graduate education on their campuses.

IX. Student Report

Sonya Brooks, UCLA

Ms. Brooks reported on student advocacy events in which she had participated in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. She also discussed other activities taking place on the UCLA campus.

X. Items Under Systemwide Review

- A. Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed Regents Policy on Use of University Administrative Websites [PDF](#)

The committee discussed the proposed policy and the difficulty in determining what is an “opinion” (e.g., is a statement against hate speech an opinion?). The Vice Chair recommended that members watch the video from the last Regents’ meeting where this was discussed. The Chair will write a letter to the Senate Chair expressing the concerns of the committee.

- B. Proposed Revisions to Academic Personnel Manual (APM) Section 285, Lecturer with Security of Employment Series

The committee chose not to comment on the proposed revisions.

- C. Revised Presidential Policy BFB-BUS-50: Controlled Substances Use In Research

The committee chose not to comment on the policy.

D. Second Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed Senate Regulation 424.A.3 (Area H)

The committee felt that this was an undergraduate issue, and chose not to comment.

XI. New Business

Professor See had some thoughts and recommendations related to the committee's meetings with VP Maldonado.

Chair Tantillo shared information about a new rule being implemented by the Department of Education regarding debt vs. earning ratio for students. It may be something that will need to be considered in the evaluation of SSGPDPs.

XII. Executive Session 2

No minutes are taken during Executive Session.

The committee adjourned at 2:45.

DRAFT – Updated March 6, 2024

This three-part document is for the implementation of [AB 656](#), California State University: doctoral programs.

The first part is the proposed list of CSU Materials for UC Review, including the proposed annual deadline for CSU materials to be sent to the UC. The second and third parts are the current list of CSU Applied/Professional Independent Doctoral Programs and the current list of UC/CSU Joint Doctoral Programs.

Proposed CSU Materials for UC Review of Applied Doctoral Programs Proposals

- CSU Campus and contact information
- Applied Degree Title and Designation
- Curricular and Academic Elements:
 - A summary of the purpose for and description of the projected doctoral degree,
 - Admission criteria (including undergraduate preparation), curricular roadmap, and proposed course and culminating project descriptions for the proposed degree
 - Projected doctoral program learning objectives
 - Proposed CIP code
 - Analysis of potential UC duplicate doctoral degree programs
- Postgraduate professional job objectives:
 - Relevant statewide workforce demands and employment opportunities for proposed doctoral program graduates
 - Professional certified licensures, if applicable

Proposed Annual Deadline for CSU Materials to UC: September 15

Current CSU Applied/Professional Independent Doctorates

- **Doctor of Audiology:** (CSU Los Angeles, CSU Northridge, Sacramento State University, San Jose State University)
- **Doctor of Education (EdD) in Educational Leadership:** (CSU Bakersfield, CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU East Bay, CSU Fresno, CSU Fullerton, CSU Long Beach, CSU Los Angeles, CSU Northridge, Cal Poly Pomona, Sacramento State University, CSU San Bernardino, San Diego State University, San Jose State University, CSU Stanislaus)
- **Doctor of Nursing Practice:** (CSU Fresno, CSU Fullerton, CSU Long Beach, San Jose State University)
- **Occupational Therapy Doctorate:** (CSU Dominguez Hills, San Jose State University)
- **Doctor of Physical Therapy:** (CSU Fresno, CSU Long Beach, CSU Northridge, Sacramento State University, San Diego State University)
- **Doctor of Public Health:** (San Diego State University)

Joint UC/CSU Doctorates

- **Doctor of Audiology** (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)
- **Doctor of Education (EdD) in Educational Leadership** (UC San Diego/CSU San Marcos)
- **Doctor of Physical Therapy** (UC San Francisco/San Francisco State University)
- **Joint PhD Degree Programs**
 - **Biology – Cell and Molecular Biology** (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)
 - **Biology - Ecology** (UC Davis/San Diego State University)
 - **Biology - Evolutionary Biology** (UC Riverside/San Diego State University)
 - **Chemistry** (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)

- **Clinical Psychology (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Computational Science (UC Irvine/San Diego State University)**
- **Education: Special Education (UCLA/CSU Los Angeles)**
- **Education: Special Education (UC Berkeley/San Francisco State University)**
- **Engineering Science - Bioengineering: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Engineering Science - Electrical and Computer: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Engineering Science - Mechanical and Aerospace: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Engineering Science - Structural: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Geography: (UC Santa Barbara/San Diego State University)**
- **Geophysics: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Interdisciplinary Research on Substance Abuse: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Language & Communicative Disorders: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Mathematics & Science Education: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Public Health - Epidemiology: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Public Health - Global Health: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Public Health - Health Behavior Studies: (UC San Diego/San Diego State University)**
- **Public Historical Studies: (UC Santa Barbara/Sacramento State University)**