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COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE AFFAIRS

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I. Chair's Report/Announcements – Chair Farid Chehab

- October 22 Academic Council Update
 - Grim budget news requiring that campuses find areas of budgetary savings and cuts;
 - The Provost search is going national; Interim Provost Bob Grey will go part-time in January 2009.
 - The UCD Chancellor search is on-going.
 - The memo from CCGA re: Graduate Academic Certificate Programs was presented to Council for approval and dissemination; Council was not in favor of the memo in its present form adding that it would like the memo to stipulate how to bring all certificates in line with SR735; CCGA will pick this item up later in its agenda.
 - CCGA letter re: Funds for Graduate Students: The draft letter asking that the exceptional allocation of graduate student funds be directed to the Graduate Deans was overwhelmingly not supported by Council. Instead, Council asked CCGA to redirect the issue by suggesting allocation and accountability of these graduate students funds. CCGA will comply with the request and discuss it at the next meeting.
- Resumption of CCGA's Authority over Approval of New Professional School Programs: Clarification was requested from Mary Croughan re: discrepancies in the letters from the Provost and CCGA; they do not constitute a misrepresentation of CCGA's original language; the Provost's memo supersedes any earlier versions.

II. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the October 7, 2008 meeting
- B. Approval of the Agenda
- C. Draft 2007-2008 CCGA Annual Report

ACTION: The agenda and minutes were approved with minor modifications; the Annual Report was approved with no changes.

III. Announcements from the President's Office, Academic Affairs

Steven Beckwith, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies

Carol Copperud, Strategic Planning, Programs, and Accountability

Suzanne Klausner, Strategic Planning, Programs, and Accountability

REPORT: Carol Copperud reported that UCOP is undertaking analyses on over-enrollment, impact on the campuses and welcomed insights on this subject; email comments to Carol. She also provided an update on UCOP restructuring: some unit consolidations, Academic Information and Strategic Services headed by Dan Greenstein; data requests will be incorporated into work of new Institutional Research unit; two other new units are being created. VP Beckwith reported on issues of interest to CCGA including: mid-year budget cuts; the Graduate Deans have expressed an interest in a dedicated unit for Graduate Studies as part of new UCOP structure; re: the \$10M for graduate student support: it is not new money; a better process for CCGA might be to press

Chancellors for accountability for how funds disbursed on the campuses. Chair Chehab commented that message should really come from UCOP for Chancellors to demonstrate and enforce accountability.

IV. Announcements from the Graduate Deans

**Time is customarily set aside time at each meeting for CCGA to confer with representatives from the UC Council of Graduate Deans; the 2008-09 consultants have not yet been designated.*

Chair Chehab reported that COGD has indicated a preference to work through the local GCs, and that it encouraged CCGA to work with Deans on ad hoc basis.

V. President Yudof's Draft Accountability Framework Report – Chair Chehab

ISSUE: President Yudof has released his draft accountability framework, including a 200-plus page first crack at using selected indicators to report on UC performance. Members are asked to review the report. Informal comments are needed by November 10. The full report is available online at [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/accountability].

DISCUSSION: Members considered the indicators associated with graduate education and appropriate for reporting to the legislature and the public. The committee's comments are as follows: the proposed indicators ought to consistently distinguish between graduate and professional students or professional and research programs; better explanations and language are needed to explain what the University and UC graduate education does for the public and that there is not necessarily a data problem here; it was suggested that if Council or the President's office thinks it would be helpful or needed, CCGA could broadly identify indicators of graduate issues that are lacking in the draft report; the draft contains very few indicators on graduate student financial aid, e.g., how many students are on financial aid; the graph on p. 136 suggests that UC is not far behind our peers with respect to stipends offered to admitted Academic Doctoral Students. The cost of living differences should be reflected in this chart and stipends should be disaggregated among the different disciplines and private vs. public schools ought to be used for comparison; members thought that knowing when the UC campuses were established relative to its peer institutions might illustrate how long it takes to develop top tier programs and how the UC system has been uniquely successful in creating high quality programs and research of benefit to the state in a comparatively short period of time; it would be helpful for the public to know how the "Comp. 8" institutions are selected; and a slightly larger group might be more meaningful to public and appear less idiosyncratic.

ACTION: Analyst Zárte will compile comments and draft letter for Chair Chehab.

VI. Proposal for an Executive M.B.A. at UC Riverside – Chair Chehab

ISSUE: The UCR Graduate Council has compared the requirements of the proposed self-supporting MBA program and the existing MBA program at UC Riverside. They have determined that the two programs have identical degree requirements and that the degree awarded by the proposed self-supporting program will be MBA and not EMBA. The distinguishing features of the proposed program, apart from being self-supporting, are that students will be working adults and instruction will be delivered on evenings and weekends.

DISCUSSION: Chair Chehab provided background and offered his take on the proposal – that requires more in-depth comparison, not convinced that it's not the same program. Key differences are that it is self-supporting and when offered (evenings, weekends). He also referenced Mary Croughan's prior communication with UCR Graduate Dean Joe Childers). One members suggested that the issue hinges on the definition of what constitutes a "new" program or what is the same; should request more information on delivery, issues, course content different for executives, part-time students); internships, admissions, fee structure; in what ways is this not an EMBA? Others suggested that the policy issue was not clear and may to be resolved as part

Compendium process and CCGA may need to make a call on this case and that more information is needed to rule on this case.

ACTION: After a lengthy discussion and consultation with Chair Croughan who cited a favorable discussion with the UCR Graduate Dean, the committee concurred with her comments and decided not to pursue its concerns on the proposal.

VII. Certificates Memo – Chair Chehab (new agenda item)

DISCUSSION: Chair Chehab reviewed a table he prepared summarizing how the Berkeley division distinguishes between SR735 and non-SR735. He said that the larger issue is how to encourage a program to comply with SR735 and whether CCGA should review non-SR735s. A few members commented that since these have to be attached to an existing program subject to review and so CCGA should not review these. One member recommended that anything that doesn't conform to SR735 be remanded to the campuses using Berkeley's draft guidelines. There was a suggestion to restrict the use of the "Certificates" name. One member noted that UCSC uses "parenthetical notation" for these non-SR735 Certificates.

ACTION: Before deciding to carry over this discussion from the last CCGA meeting, the committee recommended that non-conforming GACs (to SR735) be remanded to the campuses along the lines of Berkeley's draft guidelines. CCGA will discuss whether to rewrite SR735 to include the types of certificates that CCGA wants to review.

VIII. Graduate Support Letter to President Yudof via Chair Croughan – Chair Chehab

ISSUE: At its October 22 meeting, Academic Council failed to endorse CCGA's graduate support letter. In brief, Council felt that distributing these funds directly to the Graduate Deans was not appropriate for the following reasons: 1) this mechanism does not provide a sufficient level of accountability; 2) it simply bypasses the EVCs; and 3) funding should be targeted for specific purposes, not specific offices. It was also noted that allocation of such funding varies widely by campus. Council Chair Croughan asked CCGA to reconsider this issue adding the accountability issue to the allocated funds and inviting the committee to resubmit another letter for Council's consideration at either their November 24 or a subsequent meeting.

DISCUSSION: Council Chair Mary Croughan asked CCGA to identify targets for the President's initiative to distribute the \$10 million dollars to graduate students and to add accountability to the allocated funds. Members are also asked to 1) review the list from the Graduate Student Association and to come up with definitions for what ought to be included or excluded from graduate student support; and 2) review the student fee audit report.

ACTION: Chair Chehab suggested that CCGA provide definitions for what is included or excluded from graduate student support and combine these with the list from Graduate Student Association for Chair Croughan and Mike Clune.

IX. Council of Graduate Deans Representation at CCGA/Proposed Fee Policy for Graduate Student In Absentia Registration – Chair Chehab and Dean Jeff Gibeling (UC Davis)

ISSUE: At the last CCGA meeting, Dean Gibeling briefly summarized the issue for the benefit of new members; he also updated members on the current proposal, and where things now stand. CCGA's concerns were incorporated in revision but the questions from the July 23 Council meeting will need to be answered before this is resubmitted to Council.

DISCUSSION: Dean Gibeling went over key revisions (p.2). He noted that there is common approval form used on each campus. Members suggested inserting a change to address potential abuse of the policy: "students found to be ineligible subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the code of conduct" at the end of the eligibility section. One member noted that the policy should recognize consequences to overall time-to-degree. Dean Gibeling responded that the three-year clock for NRT does not stop. Chair Chehab commented that the lack of input from professional schools could be a problem for Council and suggested the inclusion of numbers from all

campuses would strengthen proposal for Council. He also suggested modifying proposal to state: “approval sought for three years, contingent on a report demonstrating that the policy is working.” Dean Gibeling concurred with this modification and will incorporate it in the revised proposal.

ACTION: Dean Gibeling will revise the letter and policy to include the above modifications and work on getting numbers for table from all campuses in time for the December CCGA and Council meetings.

X. Report of the Subcommittee on the Professional Doctorate of the UC Task Force on Planning for Professional and Doctoral Education (PDPE) – Chair Chehab

ISSUE: PDPE’s report addresses the growing phenomenon of the “professional doctorate” and proposes principles that should be used to determine when such doctorates are distinct from doctorates based on research and scholarship, so that it may be appropriate for the California State University to offer them. Members are asked to review the draft report; CCGA comments are due to Council by November 24.

DISCUSSION: The report’s language keeps options open and the committee had no additional substantive comments. The lone comment from the committee had to do with the issue of what constitutes “need” for new doctorate programs beyond market forces. Specifically, there was concern that the ratcheting-up of professional credentials might potentially limit access and diversity and work at cross-purposes with meeting such needs.

ACTION: Analyst Zárte will draft letter for Chair Chehab commending the subcommittee’s work and stating that CCGA had no substantive comments other than the lone comment above.

XI. Proposed Policy on Part-Time Self-Supporting Graduate/ Professional Degree Programs – Chair Chehab

ISSUE: The Provost has requested that the Senate review a proposed policy on Part-Time Self-Supporting Graduate/Professional Degree Programs. It appears that these programs were initially envisioned as part-time programs for working adults but a number of these part-time programs are full-time programs with unclear access for working adults.

ACTION: Item postponed (Ami Zusman is preparing document for December CCGA).

XII. Update on Proposal for a New School of Nursing at UC Davis – Chair Chehab and Past Chair Bruce Schumm

ISSUE: In the 2007-08 year, Academic Council sent the proposal for a New School of Nursing at UC Davis back for revisions, asking for clarification on the following: 1) how the School would be integrated into and impact existing programs and curricula, on both the Ph.D. and undergraduate levels; 2) a clear description of the structure of the Ph.D. programs and their planned manner of operation (e.g., admissions, curricula, course requirements, advising, roles of nursing faculty, etc.); 3) the number of new nursing faculty needed by the School, and the availability of qualified candidates for those positions; 4) the need for a detailed budget (noting funding sources) for its library, capital projects, and operational costs; and 5) the degree of external support needed for future growth (including developing a B.S.N. program and infrastructure) and a development plan to raise these funds. The proposed School also carries a foundational gift of \$100 million from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation. It is anticipated that UC Davis will resubmit its proposal in the near future. As the lead Compendium review committee, CCGA will be asked to not only provide its own response to the revised proposal, but also draft a cover memo that aligns the responses of the other review committees, UCEP and UCPB.

DISCUSSION: Bruce Schumm provided background on proposal and where things stand now. The committee's discussion in November resulted in suggestions to: appoint a lead-reviewer in advance of receipt of revised proposal in order to meet the January 28 Council meeting deadline; line-up reviewers in advance and be ready to send out letters; send this out for external review (though not customary for the review of School proposals); consider doing an internal review in lieu of an external review; possibly by the UCSF School of Nursing; bear in mind previous consultation on 1-year M.P.H. degrees obtained by CCGA.

ACTION: CCGA will pick this up again in December; Todd Giedt will look into doubling of honorarium to help expedite external review.

XIV. Proposed Program Name Change: Statistics and Stochastic Modeling (to Statistics and Applied Mathematics) at UC Santa Cruz – Chair Chehab and Past Chair Bruce Schumm

ISSUE: When CCGA last considered the proposed name change, it asked Past Chair Bruce Schumm to consult with UCSC and report back to CCGA in the fall; time for a phone consultation with Bruce Schumm has been arranged for this time.

DISCUSSION: Bruce consulted with Davis reviewer who agreed with the name change but not the permutation of the name change. Bruce proposed that the name change be approved and that the issues identified be passed on to the VPAA and GC chair paraphrasing issues raised in Bruno Nachtergaele's letter.

ACTION: The committee unanimously voted to approve the name change as requested and that to pass on the issues raised in Bruno Nachtergaele's letter to the VPAA and GC chair paraphrasing. Analyst Zárte will draft letter for Chair Chehab stating that CCGA agrees that this is a simple change and has approved the name change accordingly.

XV. Proposed Degrees and Programs for Review

A. Proposal for a Master of Science degree program in Science and Technology Studies in Medicine at UC San Francisco – Chair Chehab

ACTION: David Bates (UCB) was assigned as Lead Reviewer.

B. Proposal for an Interdepartmental Graduate Program leading to the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Materials Science and Engineering at UC Riverside – Chair Chehab

ACTION: Jim Carmody (UCSC) assigned as Lead Reviewer.

C. Proposal for a Master of Advance Studies degree program (M.A.S.) in International Relations at UC San Diego – Lead Reviewer Liz Watkins (UCSF)

REPORT: Prof. Watkins shared program highlights and reported that two UC reviews and one non-UC review are in; all uniformly positive. She will work on getting one more non-UC letter and one UC reviewer.

D. Proposal for a joint UC San Diego/SDSU Ph.D. degree program in Engineering Sciences (Bioengineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering and Structural Engineering) – Lead Reviewer Valerie Leppert (UCM)

REPORT: Prof. Leppert was not in attendance; Chair Chehab mentioned receiving an email from the CSU Dean Chris Hanson regarding a joint process review. Chair Chehab replied stating that CCGA will conduct its own review and noted that the CCGA and CSU reviews will converge and be discussed at the Joint Graduate Board.

E. Proposal for a M.S./Ph.D. degree program in Technology and Information Management at UC Santa Cruz – Lead Reviewer Jang-Ting Guo (UCR)

REPORT: Prof. Guo shared highlights from the proposal and reported that two UC and two non-UC reviews are underway.

F. Proposal for a UCSC Collaborative Leadership Ed.D. – Lead Reviewer John Sutton (UCSB)

REPORT: Prof. Sutton summarized his write-up re: the Class I Re-review) noting the appropriateness of the Class I re-review, the positive aspects of the proposal and the lack of serious reservations.

ACTION: CCGA unanimously approved the proposal; Analyst Zárate will draft letter for Chair Chehab to send to UCSC.

G. Proposal for an Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Management leading to M.A./Ph.D. degree at UC Riverside – Lead Reviewer Sue Carter (UCSC)

REPORT: Prof. Carter reported that three reviewers on board to do reviews (one UC, two non-UC) and that she will work on getting one more UC reviewer.

H. Proposal for an Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Computational Science, Mathematics, and Engineering leading to M.S. degree (Computational Science) at UC San Diego – Lead Reviewer Andre Knoesen (UCD)

REPORT: Prof. Knoesen reported that there was some confusion re: whether or not this is a Masters vs. Ph.D. proposal. Analyst Zárate will request clarification from the UCSD Graduate Council.

I. Proposal for a Ph.D. degree program in Management at UC San Diego – Ken Rose (UCSB)

REPORT: Prof. Rose reported that he had just received a revised proposal. He will review the revised proposal and request support letters re: funding and commitment of faculty and student ratio tables from the chief proponent.

J. New Proposal for a Master of Professional Accountancy degree program (M.P.Ac.) at UC Berkeley – Glen Mimura (UCI)

REPORT: Prof. Mimura reported that all reviews were now in and that he is preparing his summary report for the December CCGA meeting.

XVI. New Business

XVII. Executive Session (members only)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Attest: Farid Chehab, CCGA Chair
Prepared by: Eric Zárate, Committee Analyst