UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA   ACADEMIC SENATE
COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE AFFAIRS

Minutes of Teleconference Meeting
Thursday, August 13, 2015
http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/senate/

I.   **Consent Calendar**
      A. Approval of the Agenda
          Action Taken: **The agenda was approved as noticed.**

II.   **Chair's Report**
      Academic Council Update – _Chair Jutta Heckhausen_
      After the discussion of the budget, it became clear that many of the members of the Council were not
      pleased with the outcome of the budget negotiations. The President said she was in favor of changing the
      retirement system at the latest APC Meeting. The task force might be able to create retirement plan with a
      defined contribution aspect. The governor and the President have negotiated a number of implementation
      projects that are tied to the budget agreements; they are conditional.

      The other major topic of the meeting was the efforts of the Berkeley campus to change its admission
      process. This is not a CCGA issue.

      Council of Graduate Deans Update – _Vice Chair Valerie Leppert_
      The meeting included a quick overview of gender reporting requirements. UC was mandated to collect
      data about sexual orientation and gender identity for graduate students following passage of AB 620.

      UAW negotiations discussed have additional professional development opportunities for undocumented
      students, including possibly earning credit (as opposed to salary) for their TA experience.

III. **Proposed Graduate Degrees and Programs for Review**
      All program proposals are posted on the CCGA SharePoint Site

      A. Proposal to establish a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Public Health Sciences at UC Davis
          – Lead Reviewer David Salmon
          The main faculty member behind this proposal has retired. It is now up to the campus to reconsider if
          they want to move forward with the proposal.

      B. Proposal for a Master of Public Affairs SSP at UC Berkeley
          – Lead Reviewer Karen Duderstadt
          One internal and two external reviews have been received, and overall they are very positive.
          Professor Duderstadt asked them specifically about the SSGPDP aspect of the proposal. There is one
          other review that is pending.

          Concerns raised by UCPB (faculty overload, online costs, space, return to aid) had been raised in other
          UCPB reviews and initiated a lengthy discussion about the accountability of SSGPDPs and what body
          or process should be involved in the review and evaluation of their progress. The Chair noted that any
          criticims about costs, faculty overload, and space allocations should be conveyed back to the
          proposers. She added that the committee could also ask the local Graduate Councils to review them in
          one or two years. The Vice Chair observed that the UCPB concerns seemed to be more related to
          impact on the state programs and if there is another way address this to get a broader review of their
          effect. This was met with agreement by several members. The Chair then reminded the committee that

there is a new SSGPDP policy and implementation strategy which should enable formalized, in-depth accountability.

The Vice Chair said that she'd like to ask the administration to assess the impact of the SSGPDPs. She also asked that the topic of the new policy and implementation strategy included as part of the Senate retreat.

C. Proposal to establish a Master of Legal and Forensic Psychology SSP at UC Irvine – *Lead Reviewer Tania Israel*
The reviews have been received and were every positive. Reviewers anticipated strong enrollment and felt that the faculty would be very strong draw. The department has been very responsive to any questions that were sent.

Committee members discussed the capstone project; members were divided on the question of how much time and effort would be involved. It was decided that the committee would vote upon the project and that Professor Israel would address the issue in her letter to the proposers.
***Action Taken:* Approved 9-0-2**

D. Proposal to establish a Master's Entry Program in Nursing [MEPN] M.S.N. at UC Davis (SSGPDP) – *Lead Reviewer David Lo*
Professor Lo was not present on the call. Professor Duderstadt pointed out that several reviews were included in the proposal and so there may not be much more needed. The Chair said that she would write to Professor Lo and ask him when he will have it ready to present.

E. Proposal to establish a Master of Arts (4+1) in Art History at UC Irvine - *Lead Reviewer Dar Roberts (UCSB)*
Professor Roberts was not present on the call.

F. Proposal to establish a Master of Laws in American Law (LL.M.) SSP at UC Irvine -- *Lead Reviewer David Salmon (UCSD).*
Eleven requests for reviews have been sent, many of which have been declined. Professor Salmon is awaiting responses on the others.

G. Proposal to establish a Master Degree of Social Sciences (MaSS) SSGPDP at UCLA -- *Lead Reviewer Ken Kletzer (UCSC)*
Four reviewers are retained, one of whom has already responded. The proposal seems straightforward, but Professor Kletzer asked his reviewers to especially consider the program's viability as an SSGPDP. The review that has been received is positive overall. He hopes to have the rest of the reviews in before October.

H. Proposal to establish a Master of Arts in Teaching Asian Languages at UCLA -- *Lead Reviewer John Bolander (UCD)*
This is a proposal for teaching Asian languages in grades K-16. Two reviews are in hand and two more will be in soon. Overall, they have been positive, but they did raise some questions:
1. Is it a legitimate title for a degree program?
2. Is it appropriate to have one track for all of K-16?
3. Is the program long enough (three quarters)?

IV. Transfers, Consolidations, Disestablishment, and Discontinuances

A. Proposal to Discontinue the Moving Image Archive Studies Interdepartmental Degree Program at UCLA
This IDP was created around 2000 and even at that time had some structural issues; in the past three years it has had increasing problems. The two departments had differences for the vision of what the

future should be and even though the students were doing well, they decided that the IDP structure wasn't working well. Admissions were suspended last year but the programs have made commitments to the students who would be completing that program. The graduate council is aware and has been involved.
Action Taken: *Approved 10-0-1*

B. Proposed action at UCLA for the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures and Islamic Studies IDP to
1) Discontinue the Islamic Studies IDP;
2) Transfer the IDP's degree programs (M.A., C.Phil., Ph.D.) and courses to the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures;
3) Discontinue the Islamic Studies M.A. and Public Health M.P.H. concurrent degree program; and
4) Rename the "Islamics" subject area in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures to "Islamic Studies" and combine with the two courses being transferred from the IDP
This proposal is a structural change – there is the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures and the Islamic Studies IDP but it (the IDP) was starting to languish so moving the students into the department would give them better structure and support.
Action Taken: *Approved 10-0-1*

V.   Discussion Items

A. Proposed Action at UCLA to Establish the Herb Alpert School of Music and Redefine the UCLA School of Arts and Architecture – *Alex Bui*
The campus has moved to create a new school of music and then move the three departments into this new school. The departments already exist in other actions.

B. Doctor of Nursing Practice SSGPDP Joint Proposal: UCI, UCLA, UCSF, and UCD – *Alex Bui and Members*
UCLA has decided to move forward with the Nursing Practice program without the other campuses. The proposal has not gone through their graduate council yet.

C. Master's Degree in Biomedical and Translational Science (BATS) PDST Proposal at UCI –
CCGA discussed this proposal two years ago and there was a debate about whether it was just adding a PDST or if the new program was going to be quite different than originally proposed. Originally intended as an academic program, it ended up enrolling residents and doctors, not researchers – the program morphed based upon the students who enrolled. There is also concern about a possible change in the capstone.
Members decided that the proposal did need CCGA review.

VI.   New Business
The analyst is behind in the minutes, but will get them ready for review and consent.