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University Council on Graduate Study Minutes **Tuesday, December 4, 2018** **3:00-5:00 p.m. 2017 Cathedral of Learning**

Members Attending

Nathan Urban (Office of the Provost, Chair), Oliver Beale (GPSG – Medicine), Jessica Burke (GSPH), Rachel Coombs (GPSG – President), Vivian Curran (Law), Sandra Engberg (Nursing), Jennifer Enriquez (GPSG – VP of Committees), G. Kelley Fitzgerald (SHRS), Dennis Galletta (Katz), Mike Gunzenhauser (Education), Holger Hooch (Arts and Sciences), Milos Hauskrecht (Substitute – Computing & Information), John Horn (Medicine), Satish Iyengar (A&S – Natural Sciences), Ken Jordan (Interdisciplinary), Lindsay Matsumura (Education), Tara Meyer, (Arts and Sciences), Paul Nelson (GSPIA), Sam Poloyac (Pharmacy), Jay Rajgopal (Engineering), Christine Wankiiri-Hale (DMED), and Jennifer Walker (Office of the Provost, Staff)

Guests

Sandra Douglas (Katz), Bridget Regan (Pharm – via phone), and John Jakicic (Education)

Minutes

The minutes from the November 2018 meeting were approved.

Proposal to establish a new major in Management leading to the Master of Science degree in the Katz Graduate School of Business.

The Katz Graduate School of Business proposed to establish a new major in Management leading to the Master of Science degree. The new program will fill a gap in the business world and will target students immediately following their undergraduate degree or a working professional who is looking to make a drastic change in careers. The program is different from the MBA as the MBA targets the experienced worker in the business realm. The new MS in Management curriculum is designed to provide graduates the opportunity to receive a MS degree, and after gaining work experience, return to complete the MBA expeditiously.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the proposal be approved. 19 members voted to approve, 1 abstention and 0 opposed.

Proposal to establish a new certificate in Pharmacy Business Administration in the School of Pharmacy.

The School of Pharmacy proposed to establish a new certificate in Pharmacy Business Administration. The new certificate will introduce students with a predominantly business background to the pharmacy perspective.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the proposal be approved. 19 members voted to approve, 1 abstention and 0 opposed.

Proposal to establish two areas of concentration and terminate two areas of concentration leading to the Master of Science degree in the School of Education

The School of Education proposed to establish a two new areas of concentration (ARCOs) in Clinical Exercise Physiology and Health and Physical Activity Programming and Promotion within the Health and Physical Activity major leading to the Master of Science degree. The proposal also includes the request to terminate to existing ARCOs in Health and Fitness and Health, Physical Activity, and Chronic Disease within the same major and degree. The newly designed ARCOs will emphasize the clinical aspect of the expanding field of health and physical activity as well as teach them the scientific approach that could lead to their enrollment in a PhD program. Students currently enrolled in the ARCOs to be terminated will be given the opportunity to graduate from their current ARCO or transfer to the newly created ARCOs.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the proposal be approved. 19 members voted to approve, 1 abstention and 0 opposed.

Graduate Micro-Credentials

Council revisited the proposal to create guidelines within the Regulations Governing Graduate Study introducing Graduate Micro-Credentials, with changes suggested at the November 2018 UCGS meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the Provost that the guidelines be changed. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Announcements (given by Dr. Nathan Urban)

Save the date: The second annual Graduate Studies Retreat will be held on February 1, 2019.

The Office of the Provost – Graduate Studies will again send a request for applications (RFA) for Graduate-Student-Organized Interdisciplinary Workshops. The RFA can be found at <http://www.provost.pitt.edu/sites/default/files/WorkshopsRFA.pdf>. An information session for interested students will be held on January 11, 2019 at 12:30 in 114 O'Hara Student Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30