Minutes: The minutes of the October 1, 2001 Graduate Council meeting were approved.

Chair’s Report: Chair Stotts provided handouts to members from Ashish Sahni concerning fall 2001 campus enrollment and a flow chart of Council’s committee structure and responsibilities. Associate Dean Calarco distributed the list of Physical Therapy external reviewers and requested Council comments on the list of reviewers for the Biological and Medical Informatics review.

Vice Chair’s Report: Vice Chair Feuerstein reported on the proceedings of the October 9, 2001 meeting of the CCGA. Topics discussed included the proposed offering of a joint Ed.D. degree with UC and Cal State campuses, graduate student enrollment growth and the support of new students, copyright policies for staff, students and faculty, and proposed new graduate programs at various UC campuses. Discussion also took place on the proposed Masters of Advanced Studies program in Clinical Research at UCSF.

Dean’s Report: Dean Attkisson reported that he will be the Vice Chair of the Council of Graduate Deans for 2001-2002 and will service as the Council’s representative to the CCGA. He reported that the report and recommendations from the Commission on the Growth and Support of Graduate Education will be presented at the January meeting of the UC Regents. He reviewed the budget picture and the hiring freeze for state supported positions.

Graduate Student Association Report: GSA President Anne Sarver reported on the “Celebration of Graduate Education” event to be held at the SF MOMA on February 22, 2002.

Postdoctoral Scholar Association Report: Katherine Woo reported on the successful orientation and social event held for postdoctoral scholars by the Graduate Division and the PSA.
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School of Nursing Response to the Academic Program Review External Report
Council reviewed and discussed the response from Nursing related to the following issues contained in the external review report: Collaboration and exposure of Nursing to the rest of the campus; the curriculum related to administration and management training; student financial support; mentorship and recruitment; and space and equipment needs. Council decided that additional information was needed to better evaluate and understand the current status and future plans of Nursing related to these issues.

ACTION: Chair Stotts will send a letter to Nursing which requests additional information and also recommends that they review the student survey data collected by the Office of Institutional Research.

Medical Anthropology Response to the Academic Program Review External Report
Council reviewed and discussed the response of Medical Anthropology related to student financial support, time to degree, and faculty/student collaborative research. Council raised concerns about the lack of a training grant and interventions concerning reducing the time to degree completion. It was decided that additional specific information was needed to further evaluate and understand the current status and future plans related to these issues.

ACTION: Chair Stotts will send a letter to Medical Anthropology which requests additional information.

Dean’s Recommendations Concerning Actions on the Proposal for The Appointment and Mentoring of UCSF Research Postdoctoral Scholars
Dean Attkisson distributed a proposed plan for implementation of the recommendations for the appointment and mentoring of postdoctoral scholars. He reported that several recommendations are currently in place, that progress will be made on others during this year and next, and that certain ones will require further study and consultation. Council was asked to review the proposal for discussion at the next meeting in December.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm

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