



GRADUATE COUNCIL

2004-2005 ANNUAL REPORT

Grayson Marshall, DDS, PHD, MPH
Chair

During the 2004-2005 academic year (October through June), the Graduate Division held seven scheduled meetings of the Council (Council will also hold a meeting on July 27, 2005 for a total of eight meetings for the year). As the UCSF Graduate Council representative, Chair Grayson Marshall attended the monthly meetings of the systemwide Coordinating Committee of Graduate Affairs (CCGA). Farid Chehab and Fred Schaufele served as the lead reviewers for the proposal for a Ph.D. degree in Developmental Biology and Marion Gillen served as the lead reviewer for the proposal for a certificate program in Pain Management. Farid Chehab was chair of the Senate task force to review the Campus Five Year Plan. The Fellowship Committee consisted of Farid Chehab, Barbara Gerbert, Fred Schaufele, David Saloner, Catherine Waters, Ben Yen, and Pat Calarco.

Issues reviewed and acted upon by the Council include:

External Report of the Academic Program Review of Biophysics

- The Council reviewed the report, submitted recommendations to the program, and plans to meet with program chair to discuss the report on July 27, 2005.

Committee on Courses of Instruction (COCI)

- Council determined that a graduate faculty member on the COCI was sufficient for providing oversight of new graduate courses.

Academic Program Review Schedule for 2004-2005

- Council approved the deferral of the Academic Program Review of Sociology and Bioengineering to academic year 2005-2006.

Proposal to Re-Open the Graduate Program in History of Health Sciences

- The Council approved the proposal to re-open the program in fall 2005. ([Appendix 1](#))

Review of the Graduate Council Regulations

- Council reviewed and approved changes to the Graduate Council Regulations. The revised regulations will be sent to the Senate Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction. ([Appendix 2](#))

Proposal to develop a Graduate Program in Developmental Biology

- The Council approved the proposal and forwarded it to the Chair of the Academic Senate and the Executive Vice Chancellor. ([Appendix 3](#))

Proposal for a Certificate Program in Biomedical Research for M.D. Students in the School of Medicine

- Council reviewed and approved the Certificate Program in Biomedical Research. ([Appendix 4](#))

Graduate Student Fee Increases and Impact on Graduate Financial Support

- Dean Attkisson provided an overview of the UCOP Return-to-Aid policy and the decision to use USAP funds to finance TA fee remission on the undergraduate campuses. This policy disadvantages UCSF and it benefits the growing campuses. The Graduate Division will work with the campus, the Senate, and the campus to secure additional funding.

Proposal for Changes to the MS program in Oral Biology

- Council approved the changes to the MS program. ([Appendix 5](#))

Proposal for a Combined DDS/MS Degree in the School of Dentistry

- Council reviewed and discussed the proposal and decided that the School of Dentistry and the Graduate Division will resolve issues related to master's degree residency requirements.

Proposal for an On-Line Certificate Program in Pain Management in the School of Medicine

- Council will review the proposal at the July 27, 2005 meeting

Discussion of New Examination and Scoring Method for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

- The Council will determine new minimum score requirements in Fall 2005 after reviewing the requirements set by other UC campuses.

Updates

The Executive Vice Chancellor granted permission to the graduate program in Physical Therapy to begin negotiations with CSU Fresno to develop a proposal for a joint Doctorate in Physical Therapy program.

Dean Attkisson updated the Council throughout the year on the status of fee increases, the status of external and university fellowship programs, and reductions in UCOP USAP allocations to the campus. He announced that the Chancellor provided \$1 million for graduate student fellowships for 2005-2006.

Council Chair Marshall recommended to the Senate leadership that two additional members be added to the Council for the current and future years.

A Systemwide Postdoctoral Scholar Benefits program was implemented in January 2005. UCSF elected not to join the program at this time due to the increased costs and reduced benefits of the Systemwide plan compared to the UCSF Postdoc and Resident plan. The plans will be evaluated each year to compare costs and benefits.

The Postdoctoral Scholar Association received continued funding in the fall quarter to resume the Practice of Science Seminar. The seminars were successfully held throughout the year, in addition to postdoc orientation programs and social events.

Dean Attkisson appointed a committee, chaired by Professor Louis Reichardt, of faculty, students, and postdocs to make recommendations to the Chancellor regarding funding for Student Academic Enrichment and the program for Preparing Future Faculty.

The National Research Council (NRC) postponed their study of graduate education due to funding difficulties and the need for continued discussion on the study methodology.

Issues to Consider in 2005-2006

- Proposal expected for a graduate program in Global Health
- Proposal expected for a certificate program in an emphasis within Global Health
- New TOEFL Score Requirements
- Academic Program Reviews in Sociology and Bioengineering

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Grayson Marshall, Chair and CCGA Rep
Farid Chehab
Joanne Engel (resigned)
Marion Gillen
Alexander Johnson (resigned)
David Saloner
Tom Scanlan (resigned)
Fred Schaufele
Ben Yen
Catherine Waters
Dean Clifford Attkisson, ex officio
Associate Dean Calarco, ex officio
Assistant Dean DesJarlais, ex officio
PSA Representatives, Littlepage and Lewis
GSA Representative Gonsalves

Academic Senate Analyst:
Alice Kessler

Appendices

- [Appendix 1](#): Approval to Re-Open the History of Health Science Graduate Program
- [Appendix 2](#): Proposed Graduate Council Regulations
- [Appendix 3](#): Approval of the Proposal for a Graduate Program in Developmental Biology
- [Appendix 4](#): Approval of the Proposal for a Certificate Program in Biomedical Research
- [Appendix 5](#): Approval of Curriculum Changes in the MS Program in Oral Biology.
- [Appendix 6](#): Graduate Council Attendance Chart