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Communication from the Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction **Patrick Finley, PharmD, Chair**

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Youngho Seo, PhD
Chair, Graduate Council
Office of the Academic Senate, Box 0764

Re: Proposed Modifications to the Bylaws of the Graduate Council

Dear Chair Seo:

Pursuant to Divisional Bylaw 120(B)(5), the Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction reviewed the requests to modify Regulation V. Committees for Higher Degrees to allow non-Senate faculty (1) to serve on committees appointed to supervise the research and writing of the thesis or dissertation, or (2) to conduct the doctor qualifying examination or comprehensive examination for master's degree.

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction approves these modifications as proposed.

The proposed amendments now must be approved by a vote of the Division, and subsequently approved by the University Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction before they may go into effect.

Sincerely,

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction

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Re: Proposed Modifications to the Regulations Part V of the Graduate Division

Dear Chair Finley:

The UCSF Graduate Council is requesting the review of proposed changes to San Francisco Division Regulation Part V which regulates those eligible to serve as chair on committees for higher degrees.

The current language follows:

V. Committees for Higher Degrees

A. Committees appointed to supervise the research and writing of the thesis or dissertation, or to conduct the doctoral qualifying examination or comprehensive examination for the master's degree, are composed of members of the San Francisco Division of the Academic Senate.

1. Appointment of persons who are not members of the San Francisco Academic Senate requires administrative approval of the Dean of the Graduate Division.
2. In no case may a non-Senate person be appointed as the chair of the committee for a graduate degree. A non-Senate person may serve as co-chair provided that the other co-chair is a member of the Senate.

Proposed changes:

V. Committees for Higher Degrees

A. Committees appointed to supervise the research and writing of the thesis or dissertation, or to conduct the doctoral qualifying examination or comprehensive examination for the master's degree, are composed of members of the San Francisco Division of the Academic Senate and non-members of the San Francisco Academic Senate with approval of the respective Program Directors and concurrence of the Dean of the Graduate Division."

- ~~1. Appointment of persons who are not members of the San Francisco Academic Senate requires administrative approval of the Program and concurrence of the Dean of the Graduate Division.~~

~~2. In no case may a non-Senate person be appointed as the chair of the committee for a graduate degree. A non-Senate person may serve as co-chair provided that the other co-chair is a member of the Senate.~~

Justification:

To align with the September 2013 UCSF Academic Senate Standing Rule that includes Adjunct and Health Sciences Clinical faculty in shared governance at UCSF, the Graduate Council discussed changes to Regulation Part V – Committees for Higher Degrees which regulates who is eligible to serve as chair on dissertation and qualifying exam committees. The Council opted to add the approved language to Section A, allowing for the deletion of V.1.. The council further agreed to delete V.2., eliminating the rule prohibiting Adjunct and Health Science Clinical faculty members from serving as chairs of student committees.

The Graduate Council requests that the UCSF Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction approve the revision. If you have any questions, please contact Senate Analyst, Kathleen Dargan, kate.dargan@ucsf.edu.

Sincerely,

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Chair, UCSF Graduate Council