

**Graduate Council**  
**Jason Rock, PhD, Chair**

**February 11, 2016**  
**2:30 – 4:30 p.m.**  
**CL-201**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Jason Rock (Chair), Vincanne Adams (Vice Chair), Adam Cunha, Zev Gartner, Barbara Koenig, Mary Lynch, Dyche Mullins, Bethany Phoenix, Susanna Rosi, Elizabeth Watkins, Duan Xu, John Ziegler

**ABSENT:** Sunita Ho, Dengke Ma, Susanna Rosi

**GUESTS:** J. Douglas Carlson, Michael Le

The meeting was called to order at 2:38 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Chairs Report**

Chair Jason Rock provided an update from the Coordinating Committee for Graduate Affairs (CCGA).

*University of California Retirement Plan*

Under the 2015/2016 budget agreement between the University, the Governor, and the Legislature, the state will provide \$436 million for the University of California Retirement Plan (UCRP) over the next three years. In return, UC must implement a new pension tier within UCRP for employees hired on or after July 1, 2016. On January 15, 2016, the University released a [Retirement Options Task Force \(ROTF\) Report to the President](#). On February 12, 2016, UC Academic Senate Chair Dan Hare submitted [a letter to UC President Janet Napolitano addressing the report and recommendations of the ROTF](#).

*Enrollment Planning*

Also discussed at CCGA was enrollment planning. UC Academic Planning Council Chair asked the Associate Vice President about the requirement to admit additional undergraduates. Office of the President was trying to negotiate for graduate students to accompany the requisite undergraduates, but that is not looking promising.

Chair Jason Rock provided an update from the UCSF Academic Senate Coordinating Committee

*Cyber Security*

There is a current controversy over UCOP's response to the UCLA cyber-attack in June 2015. This breach, which will cost UC millions, originated on the campus, not in the Medical Center. The invaders apparently were looking for IP, but found their way into the EMR, and breached thousands of personal health records. UCOP responded to this attack by engaging an outside firm to provide expertise and certain monitoring tools. Chair Greenblatt emphasized that UCOP has always had the authority to monitor UC communications, per policy. The new measures monitor electronic communications traffic only. The University Committee on Academic Computing and Communications (UCACC) has made a [statement](#) on UCOP's response, which is posted on the Senate's [website](#).

*President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program*

The UCAAD committee reports that the [President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program](#) provides one to two years' funding for underrepresented minorities (URM) post docs that can be directed at any post-doctoral trainee in the UC system, which now includes the health sciences. Also, once a recipient becomes an UC President's Postdoctoral Fellow/Scholar, he or she is always considered a scholar, even if the recipient works at another University. If a Scholar does indeed return to UC, there are various salary and start up package benefits included. The first five years of salary is covered, and now other start-up components are also covered.

### **Associated Students of the Graduate Division Report**

Michael Le provided a report from the Associated Students of the Graduate Division.

#### *Mental Health Pilot*

A potential pilot program on mental health may be implemented for second year students in the School of Medicine. The program would be seminar in which students share their experience with mental health issues.

#### *New Associated Students of the Graduate Division Representative*

Ken Hallenbeck will serve as the new Associated Students of the Graduate Division representative on Graduate Council.

### **Old Business**

#### *Doctor of Nursing Degree Program Proposal*

Dr. Annette Carley presented a proposal for a Self-Supporting Professional Graduate Degree Program in Nursing Leading to the Doctor of Nursing Practice at UCSF. The Graduate Council noted a number of strengths, including demand for DNP trained graduates, exceptional departmental/faculty support, and the current lack of a DNP degree program on any UC campus. Support for the program was overwhelmingly positive and the Graduate Council voted to approve the proposal, contingent upon receipt of several minor clarifications pertaining to graduate student support, development and maintenance of online content, and preparation for admission.

Graduate Student Support: Graduate Council requested justification for the amount of \$1,000 per student that will be set aside for support.

Development and Maintenance of Online Content: Graduate Council requested additional description of the faculty and staff who will develop and manage the materials.

Preparation for Admission: Graduate Council requested clarification of whether RN licensure and a Bachelor's degree would satisfy admissions requirements.

#### *Academic Program Review of the Medical Anthropology PhD Program*

Graduate Council reviewed the External Report for the Academic Program Review of the Medical Anthropology PhD Program, which was conducted October 23, 2015. The Graduate Council applauded the many positive changes, including the faculty and student recruitment, since the Program's last external review in 2007 and agrees with the reviewers that the program is flourishing. The Graduate Council also recognized several areas for improvement and endorsed a number of the External Report's recommendations about faculty and workload, diversity, student financial support, mentorship, curriculum, and facilities.

### **New Business**

None

Chair Rock adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.