

**THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
SENATE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE**

The Senate Graduate and Professional Committee met on Thursday, March 7, 2013, in the Dean of Students Conference Room.

Members Present: *Robben Baca, *Julie Coonrod *John Cornish, Joanna Cosbey, Cassiano de Oliveira, Mark Emmons, Will Hsieh, Robert Miller, Jennifer Thacher (alternate for Janie Chermak), and Linney Wix (chair)

Members Excused: Anna Cabrera (alternate for Marisa Silva), Jim Feng (alternate for Matthew Borrego), and Mindy Tinkle

Members Absent: Katya Crawford, *Alex Gonzalez, *Greg Heileman, Steven Homer, *Todd Hynson, and Andrea Polli

Guests: Melissa Binder (Econ – rep for MPP), Janie Chermak (Econ – rep for MPP), Chuck Fleddermann (SOE – for Joint Degree), Kimberly Hiser (Soc – rep for MPP), Kathleen Keating (Academic Council), Mark Peceny (A&S – rep for MPP), Bill Stanley (Pol Sci – rep for MPP), and Amy Wohlert (SPA)

(* Indicates non-voting member)

Approval of Agenda:

Mark Emmons moved approval of the March 7, 2013 agenda. Will Hsieh seconded the motion; the agenda was approved.

Minutes:

Joanna Cosbey moved approval of the February 7, 2012 minutes. Robert Miller seconded the motion; the minutes were approved.

Curriculum/New Programs:

Emmons presented curriculum forms for the Committee's consideration. The following forms were approved by the SGPC:

- Forms B—
 - ARCH 691 – Sustainable Settlements
 - ARCH 692 – Urban Outcomes
 - ARCH 693 – Urban Goals and Components Analysis
 - ARCH 694 – Urban Design Methods
 - ARCH 695 – Urban Development and Regulation
 - CE 433/533 – Environmental Microbiology
 - CE 435/535 – Water Reuse
 - CE 438/538 – Sustainable Engineering
- Form C –
 - Biology, PhD – Create concentration in Integrative Biology

- Latin American Studies, MA – Create concentration in Brazilian Studies
- Architecture, GCERT – Revise requirements for the certificate in Urban and Region Design to reflect changes in course titles and newly created courses.

The following forms were tabled by the SGPC:

- Forms B—
 - PUBP 501 – Policy Seminar
 - PUBP 502 – Evaluation Lab
- Forms C—
 - Economics, Political Science & Sociology, MPP – Create new subject code: PUBP – Public Policy
 - Public Administration & Bachelor of University Studies, MPA/BUS – Create a shared-credit undergraduate/graduate program
- Form D – Economics, Political Science & Sociology, MPP – Create new degree: Master’s in Public Policy

Forms tabled are part of a proposed Form D proposing formation of a Master’s of Public Policy (MPP) degree in the College of Arts and Sciences. Guests attended both to present and oppose the degree plan proposed in the Form D. Committee members will read the Form D for further discussion with Dean Coonrod regarding governance of interdisciplinary programs. Committee chair hopes to move forward with the Form D prior to the end of the academic year. Discussion will continue at the next SGPC meeting.

International Joint Degree Proposals:

Chuck Fleddermann presented a proposal to form an international joint degree agreement with Sejong University in Korea. Emmons moved approval of the joint degree; Cassiano de Oliveira seconded the motion. The proposal was approved unanimously.

Fleddermann requested that the committee consider giving permission to the SGPC chair to review and approve future Joint Degree proposals on behalf of the committee. Cosby moved approval of this request; Jennifer Thacher amended the motion to have the chair report any approvals to the full committee. Miller seconded the amended motion; the request was approved unanimously.

GPSA:

Chair Wix presented a report submitted from Anna Cabrera. GPSA received 30 applications for the One-time GA/TA-ships; due to the high caliber of applications and high financial need, 13 will be awarded immediately. The remaining lines will be awarded for the 2013-2014. Application cycle opens April 15th, spring applicants may re-apply.

Senate Bill 11 (STEM graduates from NM institutions) passed the Senate Corporations committee; it goes now to the Senate Finance Committee.

Academic Council:

Chair Keating reported that, although it is an undergraduate issue all should be aware that certificates awarded at the Branch Campuses currently have a minimum of 30 credits required; the change is going before the full Faculty Senate to allow certificates in professional fields be awarded below 30 credits.

OGS:

Dean Coonrod reported that discussions have started for Graduate Studies to be a home for cross-college (graduate) interdisciplinary programs.

Currently, Graduate Studies is working to make graduate student processes electronic. Initially efforts are being made with the graduate application process.

SGPC:

Wix reported that at the next meeting member rotation will be discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.