

GPC Meeting
April 6, 2015 1:00 PM
Cater-Mattil 124A

Members Present: N. Turner, S. Talcott, R. Chapkin, G. Acuff, S. Riechman, C. Wu, C. Allred, K. de Ruiter

Members Absent: E. Castell-Perez, E. Murano

1. Approval of minutes from January GPC meeting.
2. Goals of GPC meeting
 - a. Define the role of the GPC
 - i. Communication and coordination with faculties
 - ii. How to send an agenda item to committee
 - iii. How to act on an agenda item from committee
 - iv. Programmatic decisions vs. NUTR/FSTC decisions
 - b. Define priority issues for 2 graduate programs
 - i. What are the focal points of the programs/rallying points
 - ii. How to engage the graduate faculties
 - iii. Better coordination of graduate efforts
 - iv. Improving faculty and/or student culture
 - v. Strategic planning and goal-setting
 - vi. Challenges and opportunities
 - vii. Resources, facilities, and critical needs
 - viii. Student quality.
3. Subcommittees
 - a. Identify chairs of subcommittees
 - i. GPC – S. Talcott and N. Turner
 - ii. Nominations and Elections – no chair identified
 - iii. Admissions – S. Turner and M. Taylor
 - iv. Seminars – J. Awika and R. Chapkin
 - v. Assessment – S. U. Talcott
 - vi. Curriculum – R. Chapkin and P. Murano
 - vii. Awards/Scholarships/Fellowships – K. Kubena
 - viii. Recruitment – no chair identified
 - b. GPC recommendations for committees
 - i. The nomination and seminar committees could be discontinued.
 - ii. The Admissions, Assessment, Curriculum, and Awards committees are necessary.
 - iii. The recruitment committee could be suspended for now until it is needed.
4. Role of GPC
 - a. GPC discussed whether the administration or the GPC members should drive the GPC/subcommittee agendas. A list of issues will be generated to send to the Administration for prioritizing.
 - b. Prioritized issues can possibly be sent to subcommittees then to GPC at quarterly or biannual meetings.
5. Priority issues for Graduate Program
 - a. Student quality/recruitment efforts
 - b. Curriculum evaluation/review
 - c. Faculty engagement/culture/motivation
 - d. Graduate Faculty membership review (who would do this?) This is a possible action item with help from administration.
 - e. Administrative support – set priorities/goals – faculty contact

- f. Newsletter – info exchange in both directions
- g. Program continuation/OGAPS funding (travel grants, seminar, scholarships, posters)
- h. Administrative awareness
- i. Outside/corporation awareness
- j. Tie graduate education to strategic plan
- k. Graduate student culture - FSGSA
- l. Faculty to student culture
- m. Rally point? Grants/ building/centers
- n. Seminar series – students
- o. Core curriculum – content
- p. One Health – plug in
- q. Department head priorities (info flow)

Meeting adjourned.