

GPC Meeting  
December 8, 2016  
9:00 AM  
Cater-Mattil 124A

Members Present: E. Castell-Perez, R. Chapkin, C. Gomes, S. Riechman, Y. Sun, Su. Talcott, N. Turner, St. Talcott, K. de Ruiten

Members Absent: G. Acuff

Minutes:

1. September Meeting Minutes Approved
2. Update from NUTR and FSTC curriculum committees (see attachment)
  - a. The NUTR curriculum committee suggested using NUTR 630 and NUTR 642 as two core courses. It was suggested that there could be up to 4 core courses, and students could pick 2 or 3.
  - b. GPC was against using NUTR 630 as a core course. It will be a required course only for clinical nutrition non-thesis MS students. NUTR 641 and NUTR 642 were initially suggested as the 2 core courses.
  - c. Chaodong Wu is working on updating/rewriting NUTR 642. Once there is a syllabus for 642 it can be compared with NUTR 641 for content.
  - d. Proposed new ethics course - Ethics, research, and critical thinking in nutrition and food science. Could be cross listed with both NUTR and FSTC. Will cover research basics, ethics, reproducibility, basic proposal writing. GPC would like to see proposed write-up of ethics course to know how it will be different from other ethics courses. A professional development requirement could be added where students choose a course such as ethics, grant writing, etc.
  - e. Dr. Chew has requested combined content courses for FSTC and NUTR.
3. Update on bylaw revision –Bylaw committee will be enacted in spring. Graduate faculty membership will be the main change. Committee will send recommendations to GPC.
4. Need for full graduate faculty meeting to discuss proposed curriculum options/degree program changes and vote – Department will try to have a full faculty meeting at the end of the spring semester. Committees should have agenda items ready by April so faculty can review materials before the meeting. Topics: combined FSTC/NUTR courses, NUTR and FSTC curriculum
5. Curriculum discussion to identify needs for new courses, removal/revision of older courses
6. Update on graduate faculty membership renewals – renewal requests were sent out to graduate faculty members in early December.
7. Old business – The combined master’s in NUTR/KINE needs to be updated on the website. S. Riechman will send updates to N. Turner for Nadia. NFSC combined MS program director – S. Riechman.
8. Set regular meetings. – K. de Ruiten will send a request for times when members are not available on a recurring basis. GPC will try to meet once per month.