

Minutes HSC Graduate Council
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Present: Albert Berrebi, Robert Brock, Michelle Costas, Heath Damron, Richard Dey, Brad Hillgartner, John Hollander, Richard Jurevic, Suresh Madhavan, Gina Maiocco, Lisa Salati, Kari Sand-Jecklin, Martha Summers, Grazyna Szklarz, Scott Weed and Lea Ann Defenbaugh

Minutes from last meeting:

Review of minutes from December 22, 2015. Please check them on the HSC website:

<http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/resoff/graduate-education/faculty-resources/hsc-graduate-council/>

Announcements:

1. School of Medicine/School of Pharmacy PhD investiture
Saturday May 14, 2016 at 9:00
Fukushima Auditorium

Students who graduated Aug and Dec 2015 are invited back for this event. Students who have a defense scheduled within one month of investiture will be allowed to attend. Faculty and graduate students are encouraged to join in the celebration.

2. Report of Academic Dean meetings and WVU Graduate council meetings

Academic Deans Meeting:

- 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) competition

The University wide competition will be held on April 7, 2016 as part of graduate student appreciation week. This is for doctoral student only and it is recommended that student have passed candidacy or be close so that they are well into their research. Colleges and schools will hold their own competitions and send one student to the University wide event. HSC (all programs combined) can send two students. It is recommended that schools select 1st, 2nd, 3rd places and peoples choice winners but only the 1st place winner will compete in the April 7 competition. Winners need to be identified by March 18th. Monetary awards will be provided at both levels.

Suggestion – to include HSC competition along with Van Liere. Announcement of the 3 Minute Thesis competition will be included in the “weekly announcements.” The competition was discussed at the GSO meeting and was favorably received. The student would like to see a separate competition for faculty that they would judge.

- Course overload permission is required only for students who want to take more than 17 credit hours. This is an increase from more than 15 credits.
- Probation notation on transcript:
The Registrar’s office wanted to send letter to those under 2.75 GPA. Faculty were not unanimous in wanted this to be noted on student’s transcripts but the 2 steps cannot be separated in Banner. Decision by the Associate Provost was made to make the schools responsible letting their students know of GPA deficiencies. ARGOS reports are available for reporting of student GPA. Let the Office of Research and Graduate studies know if you need assistance.

WVU Graduate council meeting: Meeting is later this week.

3. Nomination for a speaker for the Research Induction Ceremony on September 16, 2016. Would like an alumnus from Nursing, Health Outcomes or Public Health. **Please submit names by February 1, 2016**

Discussion items:

1. Revisit: Outstanding Mentor Award and Outstanding Graduate Student Award for Graduate Student Appreciation Week
 - a. Graduate student subcommittee is organizing mentor award
 - b. Outstanding graduate students.

This will be a highly publicized event.

- i. How many?
Dr. Salati will count how many students in each program and have nominations per school based on number of students.
- ii. Who picks?
Subcommittee will be assembled to do this.
- iii. Prize or other memorabilia - undecided

Pharmacy and Ex Phys extends awards each year. SON does as well - they have done away with some this year.

2. Intent to Plan Health Outcomes Research (HOR)

Dr. Madhavan explained that the HOR pathway has existed for 26 years with 33 PhD graduates. The program is not currently separated from the other SOP PhD program. The decision to separate the HOR pathway and form a program was to provide more visibility to the program, decrease confusion of 2 very different pathways in a single degree program and to perhaps develop an MS program. Intent to Plan has been submitted. Graduate Council will review it in February. A positive response will require further review by the BOG in April for fall 2016.

3. Scientific integrity – revising course to incorporate all schools and to extend beyond year 1 – using Team based learning?
 - a. Please come with topics that you are currently teaching to your students.
 - b. Attached document is the syllabus for the current Scientific Integrity course that is used by biomedical, public health, and other assorted students at HSC.

There was support to split the BMS 700 course into 2 semesters to spread out the topics to a more appropriate time in the student's education. This was agreed upon for the BMS program. Post-docs will be encouraged to complete it as well.

A plan needs to be developed for re-training every 3-4 years using a system other than CITI.

The following topics will be moved too the next meeting:

4. Combining some orientation activities (Carruth, Policy orientation?)

5. DegreeWorks versus Plan of Study

- a. The new plan of study form is attached. I will provide you with an example of DegreeWorks information. Public Health is using degree works instead of a plan of study.

Tabled until next time when Andy is here.

Meeting adjourned by Lisa Salati at 11:30 am. The next meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2016.