

## MEMORANDUM

- To: Susan Harden, President UNC Charlotte Faculty
- From: David S. Dalton, Chair Graduate Council

Date: April 26, 2021

RE: Report on Graduate Council Activities for 2021-2022

The Graduate Council held one organizational meeting and eight business meetings for the 2021-2022 academic year. During this time, the Council accomplished the following tasks:

- 1. Passed an amended proposal for the Graduate Handbook in consultation with chairs, GPDs and the Graduate School.
  - a. Followed up with the status of the proposal with Academic Affairs
- 2. Approved the following proposals originating from the Graduate School:
  - a. Updated Language for Continuous Registration and Leave of Absence
  - b. Transfer Credit Proposal
- 3. Reviewed well over one hundred proposals. Many were revisions of existing programs or courses, and these were reviewed only the Chair. Others were new proposals and were reviewed by the Graduate Council as a whole.
  - a. In order to streamline the process of approving proposals, we created a consent calendar where faculty could identify problems with syllabi and other technical issues without taking time away from other faculty governance functions of the body.
- 4. Appointed a committee (Kent Brintnall [chair]; Amy Canavello; Gene Lai) to conduct the annual performance review of the Dean of the Graduate School.
- 5. Communicated the necessary role that Graduate Council plays at UNC Charlotte and requested clear communication between administration and Graduate Council.

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The minutes for all meetings of the Graduate Council are available on the Academic Affairs website.

Sincerely,

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