

Graduate Council Annual Report 2014-15

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Jeffrey Leak , 2015-16 President
UNC Charlotte Faculty

From: Dr. Alan R. Freitag, Chair
UNC Charlotte Graduate Council

Date: May 18, 2015

RE: Annual Report on Graduate Council Activities for 2014-15

The Graduate Council held ten business meetings during this academic year. Following is a summary of Council activities:

- We reviewed 29 long-form course and curriculum proposals.
- Two additional long-form course and curriculum proposals are currently undergoing virtual review by Graduate Council members, and recommendations on each of the proposals will be forthcoming by the end of May.
- We reviewed and recommended approval of “Permission to Plan” for the proposed Doctorate in Business Administration.
- We completed a revision of the Graduate Faculty Bylaws (begun during the 2013-14 academic year). The revision was submitted to the Faculty Executive Committee, which approved the proposal and submitted it to Faculty Council. The Faculty Council raised two concerns and tabled the proposal. Those concerns will be addressed during the first fall 2015 meeting of the Faculty Council.
- We received briefings and held substantive and ongoing discussions on the following topics:
 - The course, curriculum and catalog management system to be implemented in fall 2015;
 - Course cross-listing (recommendations submitted to Faculty Council);
 - Two early-entry program proposals and six accelerated master’s degree programs;
 - Language policy for theses and dissertations (new policy approved permitting exceptions to the English language requirement).
- As Graduate Council chair, I reviewed and approved 27 short-form curriculum proposals.

Minutes for all meetings are available through the Academic Affairs website and provide complete accounts of proceedings: <http://facultygovernance.uncc.edu/graduate-council/agendas-minutes>.