

AY 23-24 Report to the Faculty Senate

- Graduate and Research Committee
- Mission:

The committee considers policies and procedures related to graduate education and research. The responsibilities and duties of the committee include, but are not limited to:

 - 1) Develop general policies and procedures related to graduate education and research activities. These are submitted to the Faculty Senate for approval;
 - 2) Review the appropriateness and quality of graduate programs and research activities in relation to the educational objectives of the university;
 - 3) Review and approve substantive graduate course changes and curriculum proposals (see section 3.2.1) submitted by the colleges. The Graduate and Research Committee (GRC) shall send approved proposals to the Educational Policy Committee for informational purposes prior to the GRC submitting them to the Faculty Senate;
 - 4) Interpret and apply faculty rules concerning student or department appeals of petition decisions;
 - 5) Establish policies for awarding fellowships and scholarships to graduate departments and programs;
 - 6) Recommend approval of the formation or termination of research centers and institutes;
 - 7) Recommend policies and procedures to stimulate and coordinate research-related activities.
- List of members with affiliations
 - a. Voting members:
 1. Brian Chen, RCEAS
 2. Chiorean Raluca, COB
 3. Oriana Fisher, CAS (on sabbatical during Fall 2023)
 4. Andrew Harder, CAS (on sabbatical during Fall 2023)
 5. Craig Hochbein, COE
 6. Bilal Khan, COH
 7. Nevena Koukova, COB
 8. Johanna Kowalko, CAS
 9. Chris Liang, COE
 10. Keith Moored, RCEAS
 11. Gordon Moskowitz, CAS
 12. Tracy Nichols, COH
 13. Spencer Quiel, RCEAS
 14. Emily Weissbourd, CAS (In the stead of Oriana Fisher during Fall 2023)
 15. Shellen Wu, CAS (In the stead of Andrew Harder during Fall 2023)

16. Zhiyuan Yan, RCEAS, Chair

b. Ex officio members (non-voting)

1. Michael Burger, CAS
2. John Coulter, RCEAS
3. Won Choi, COH
4. Robin Hojnoski, COE
5. Kathleen Hutnik, Associate Deputy Provost for Graduate Education
6. Anand Jagota, Vice Provost for Research
7. Sabrina Jedlicka, Deputy Provost for Graduate Education
8. Cynthia Kane, Assistant Vice President, ORSP
9. David Peng, COB
10. Mark Snyder, RCEAS

c. Non-voting members

1. Michael Dills-Allen, Registrar
2. Theresa Mowad, Graduate Student Senate President
3. Samantha Miller-Brow, Graduate Student Senate Treasurer

- Accomplishments during academic year 2023-2024 (Approximately May 2023 through April 2024):
 - a. Review and approve proposed graduate course changes and curriculum proposals submitted by the colleges
 - b. Recommend approval of the formation of two research centers on oceanographic research and Catastrophe Modeling and Resilience
 - c. Considered and made decisions on three appeals of decisions by the Graduate Standing of Students Committee
 - d. Approved dual graduate degree programs and updated the related R&P language
 - e. Refine the process and schedule of graduate program reviews
 - f. Review all university and presidential fellowship nominations submitted by the colleges and make recommendations.
- Description of faculty service involved in your committee. Include:
 - a. Biweekly 75-minute meetings are held on Zoom throughout AY23-24.
 - b. Voting members take turns to take and generate the meeting minutes.
 - c. Voting members from all five colleges serve on two sub-committees: curriculum & courses and fellowship. Voting members also serve as a GRC representative on the SOGS committee and the Research Environment Subcommittee (RESC) and Academic and Student Affairs Subcommittee (ASA) of the Faculty Senate