2013/2014 GRADUATE COUNCIL
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Lisa Bernardo, Dean of Admissions/Registrar
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Section 6.0 There shall be a standing Graduate Council of the Academic Senate.

6.1 The Graduate Council shall be composed of a Chair and Chair-elect, and the graduate program coordinator from each department that offers a master's or doctoral degree. Should the sponsoring unit be a college rather than a department (e.g. the College of Business sponsors the MBA), the graduate program coordinator of the college shall serve on the Graduate Council. In departments where the master's degree has multiple specializations and a program
coordinator for each specialization (e.g. the Department of Teacher Education), then one of the department’s graduate coordinators shall be elected by the department to serve on the Graduate Council for a two-year term. The Graduate Council Chair shall serve as the Academic Senate’s representative. The Interdisciplinary Studies Committee shall elect one of its members to serve a one-year term. All faculty members on the Graduate Council must be tenured or tenure-track. The Associated Students shall appoint a graduate student to serve a one-year term. An executive secretary appointed by the President shall be a voting member of the Council. The Director/Coordinator of the Graduate School shall serve as recording secretary for the Council.

Ex-officio members without vote shall include: the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, the College Deans, the Dean of Library Services, the Director/Coordinator of the Graduate School, and the chief administrative officer of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Elections for the Chair-elect will be conducted by the Committee on Committees, according to the procedures in Article VI., Section 3.2.

a) The Chair will serve as a member of the Senate Executive Committee of the Academic Senate. The term of office of the Chair shall be one year.

b) The Chair-elect shall serve one year as a member of the committee and the following year as Chair. The Chair-elect will serve as Chair in the absence of the Chair. The Chair-elect shall be a tenured member of the faculty, preferably from a discipline offering a graduate program. The Chair-elect shall be a member ex-officio of the Faculty Budget Advisory Committee.

6.2 The duties of the Graduate Council shall be to:

a) Formulate, review, and recommend to the Academic Senate graduate curricular policy.

b) Review and evaluate proposals for graduate and post baccalaureate credential programs and courses of study based on approved criteria and procedures.

c) Evaluate seven-year reviews of graduate and post baccalaureate credential programs and recommend to the University Educational Policies Committee continuation without modification, continuation with specified modifications, or discontinuance.

d) Review plans for academic development of new graduate and post baccalaureate credential programs in both on- and off-campus/distance learning programs.

e) Submit an annual report to the general faculty at the Spring General Faculty meeting.

f) Maintain close liaison with the University Educational Policies Committee and consult with this body on policy issues of mutual interest, such as scheduling, grading, calendar preparation, registration, and resources.
g) Establish criteria, standards, and procedures for all aspects of graduate course offerings.

6.3 The Graduate Council shall, in consultation with the Committee on Committees, establish and terminate working subcommittees it deems appropriate and necessary. There is one standing subcommittee of the Graduate Council: Interdisciplinary Studies. The name, function, and membership of subcommittees shall be published to the faculty. The Committee on Committees shall appoint subcommittee members in consultation with the Graduate Council. The standing subcommittees shall be made up of five members, normally with no more than one from any program. Terms of the subcommittee members shall be three years, terms to be staggered at the onset by lot. Subcommittee membership may include non-members as well as members of the Graduate Council. Each subcommittee elects its own Chair each year. The charge of a subcommittee shall be to formulate, review, and recommend to the Graduate Council any policy issue within its purview. Ad hoc subcommittees may be composed of more or less than five members and the length of service may vary as needed.

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