To: Members of the 2016-2017 Graduate Council

From: Nasser Zawia, Dean
Andrea Rusnock, Associate Dean

Date: 7 November 2016

RE: Agenda for Meeting Number 503 of the Graduate Council to be held on Monday, 7 November 2016 at 2:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Alumni Center

I. Call to order

II. Approval of Minutes of Meeting Number 502, 24 October 2016 (please see attachments)

III. Announcements

A. EGRA Reminder

B. Graduate Fair Spring 2017

C. Recent appointments to the Graduate Faculty since those listed on the agenda for 24 October 2016 meeting.

RACHEL SCHWARTZ CELS 10/24/2016
HOLLIE PUTNAM CELS 10/24/2016
CHENGZHI YUAN MCISE ENGINEERING 10/27/2016

IV. Graduate Curriculum Committee

I. 400-level courses

New Courses:

College of Pharmacy
Pharmacy Practice

PHP 444 Pharmacotherapy for Older Adults (Lec. 3)
Course description:
Explore how aging affects drug disposition and the risk of adverse drug events; explore assessment tools for evaluating elders; recognize an evidence-based approach to the
treatment of geriatric syndromes, and understand differences in how frail elders are treated for chronic medical conditions in contrast to younger adults.

II. 500/600 level courses

Changes:

College of Arts and Sciences
Graduate School of Library and Information Studies

LSC 503 Collection Management
Online version of existing course.
LSC 504 Searching for Answers: Meeting Users’ Information Needs
Online version of existing course.
LSC 505 Organization of Information
Online version of existing course.
LSC 508 Introduction to Information Science and Technology
Online version of existing course.
LSC 510 Books to Bytes
Online version of existing course.
LSC 515 Information Ethics and Policy
Online version of existing course.
LSC 517 Community Relations for Libraries
Online version of existing course.
LSC 518 Global Information Services
Online version of existing course.
LSC 521 Public Library Service
Online version of existing course.
LSC 522 College and University Library Service
Online version of existing course.
LSC 525 Multiculturalism in Libraries
Online version of existing course.
LSC 528 Digital Visual Information Literacy
Online version of existing course.
LSC 537 Health Sciences Librarianship
Online version of existing course.
LSC 539 Business Information
Online version of existing course.
LSC 541 Social Science Information
Online version of existing course.
LSC 544 Visual Information Science
Online version of existing course.
LSC 547 Information Storage and Retrieval and Online Searching and Services
Online version of existing course.
LSC 548 Information Architecture and Web Site Development
Notice of Change for: Integrative Evolutionary Biology (IEB) track of the Biological and Environmental Sciences graduate degrees to Evolution and Marine Biology (EMB).

Date: Oct 25, 2016

PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. Name of institution
   University of Rhode Island

2. Name of department, division, school or college
   Department: Biological and Environmental Sciences graduate degrees.
   College: CELS

3. Intended initiation date of program change. Include anticipated date for granting first degrees or certificates, if appropriate.
   Initiation date: 01/01/17
   First degree date: 05/17

4. Intended location of the program
   This is only a change in name and description of one track of the BES graduate degrees. This change better reflects the current faculty and focus of the track.

5. Summary description of proposed program (not to exceed 2 pages).
   Evolution and Marine Biology (EMB): This graduate group focuses on the diversity of form and function of terrestrial and marine organisms from evolutionary, developmental, and physiological perspectives, and the application of these approaches to biodiversity, the environment and human health. Faculty research interests are diverse and include evolutionary biology, sensory biology, comparative and evolutionary genomics, morphology and development, paleontology, physiology, pathology and science education.
6. If applicable, please include the existing URI catalog language and proposed catalog changes indicated in Track Changes.
This graduate group focuses on the diversity of form and function of terrestrial and marine organisms from evolutionary developmental and physiological perspectives, as well as the application of these approaches to health, agriculture biodiversity, and the environment and human health. Specific faculty research interests are diverse and include evolutionary biology, sensory biology, comparative and evolutionary genomics marine biology, animal science (including reproduction, nutrition, management, and health), aquaculture (including ecology, physiology, nutrition, and health), cellular and behavioral neurobiology (including sensory biology and neuroethology), evolutionary biology, genomics (comparative, evolutionary, and marine), morphology and development (including functional morphology, biomechanics, and evolutionary developmental biology), paleontology, physiology, and pathology and science education (including environmental, stress, reproductive, and comparative physiology, endocrinology, aquatic pathology), plant biology, and human health.

7. Signature of the President

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David M. Dooley

V. New Business

A. New Programs List
B. Graduate School Innovative Scholars proposal
C. Learning Outcomes for Graduate Courses
D. Deadlines for Programs of Study and creating committees

VI. Old Business

VII. Adjournment