

Graduate Council Meeting No. 548 September 19, 2022 via Zoom | Minutes

Council Members Present: James Agostinucci, Araceli Bonifant, Susan DeSanto-Madeya, Cheryl Foster, Shingo Goto, Rabia Hos, J. Jennifer Jones, Aaron Ley, Martha Rojas, Angela Slitt, Karen Walton Morse, Jing Jian Xiao

Council Members Absent: Ali Akanda, Steven Gregory, Jessica Martinez

Graduate School Present: Brenton DeBoef, Corinne Kulesh, Cara Mitnick, and Colleen Mouw

I. Call to order

★ *The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Chair Angela Slitt*

II. Approval of Minutes of Meeting Number 547, April 4, 2022

★ *Motion to approve the minutes from meeting No. 547 April 4, 2022*

○ *Approved*

■ *1 Council Member Abstained*

III. Conferral of August Degrees (DeBoef)

★ *Motion to recommend to the University of Rhode Island Board of Governors approval of the candidates for the award of Graduate degrees whose names will be certified by the Faculty Senate, the Graduate Council, and the Graduate School for August 2022 graduation.*

○ *Approved*

IV. Announcements

A. Introductions (DeBoef)

1. Council members introduced themselves.

B. Graduate Council Role & Operation (DeBoef & Mouw)

1. Dean DeBoef informed the council on the role and responsibilities of a council member. Some upcoming items for the council to review will be EGRA applications and Graduate Manual changes focused on language for Doctoral and Non-Thesis Master degrees. Dean DeBoef announced Cara Mitnick's new promotion within the Graduate School. Cara's new title is the Associate Director of Professional and Community Development.

C. EGRA Announcement (Mitnick)

1. Discussion moved to the next council meeting.

D. Professional Development & GWC Update (Mitnick)

1. Discussion moved to the next council meeting.

E. Admissions & Enrollment Update (*Kulesh*)

1. Associate Director Kulesh presented enrollment data by college for online accelerated and traditional programs. Data showed a comparison of enrollment for the current date to one year prior. Data will also be presented during the Fall Program Directors meeting.

F. Recent appointments to the Graduate Faculty (*Mouw*)

Melissa A. Sutherland, Professor, CON
Tracy A Romano, Outside Scholar, CELS
James A. Allen, Outside Scholar, CELS
Nasim Rahmani, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, COE
Robert R. Coyne, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, A&S
Douglas Bobeille, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, A&S
Neil Greene, Clinical, CELS
Rebecca Lebeau, Adjunct, CHS
Cyrus Agarabi, Adjunct, COP
Thais Sao-Joao, Tenure-track, CON
Kimberly J.W. Hyde, Outside Scholar, GSO
Jessica A. Adams, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, CELS

Gregory R. DeCelles, Outside Scholar, GSO
Nekehia T. Quashie, Tenure-track, CHS
Jason Jaacks, Tenure-track, A&S
Hongjie Wang, Tenure-track, GSO
Kunal Swani, Outside Scholar, COB
Jesse Reiblich, Tenure-track, CELS
John Olerio, Adjunct, CEPS
Jane A Buxton, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, CELS
Emily Lynch, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, A&S
Karen Sweeting, Tenure-track, Tenure-track
Raymond Cox III, Lecturer/ Teaching Professor, A&S
Chris Russoniello, Tenure-track, CEL

V. New Business

A. Vote: [Graduate Committee Assignments](#) (*DeBoef*)

1. Dean DeBoef described the role of each committee.

★ *Motion to approve the Graduate Council Committee Assignments*

- *Approved*

B. Kualii Training (*DeBoef & Mouw*)

1. Dean DeBoef reminded council members to log in to Kualii to gain access to proposals. Links were provided to the council on information provided by the Faculty Senate on how to access Kualii.
 - a) Links: <https://web.uri.edu/facsen/kualii/> and <https://web.uri.edu/facsen/curricular-matters/reviewers-and-approvers-kualii-curriculum-managemet/>

C. Revisions to section 4.52 Graduate Manual

1. Dean DeBoef introduced a section in the Graduate Manual where the previous approval of removing the reinstatement fee was still indicated.

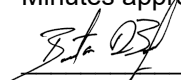
★ *Motion to approve the proposed revisions to section 4.52 in the Graduate Manual*

- *Approved*

VI. Adjournment

- ★ *Chairperson Slitt asked for a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.*

Minutes approved by the Graduate Council on October 11, 2022



Brenton DeBoef, Dean of the Graduate School