

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
Graduate Council Minutes
January 20, 2010

Members Present: Nolen, Kays, Mirivel, Pellicane, James, Wood, McAlpine, Swingen, Kuralt, Turturro, Pierce, Hunter, Jennings, Lewis, Moak, Gann

Members Absent: Dearman, Cantrell, Gentry, Robison, Seigar, Sweeney, Bhattacharyya

Approval of 12/2/09 minutes at next meeting

Old Business:

Graduate Council Website: Drs. Hunter, Jennings and Kuralt now have access and will be maintaining their respective sections.

New Business:

Proposal by Dr. Pellicane to ratify the Council of Graduate Schools' Resolution Regarding Graduate Scholars, Fellows, Trainees and Assistants: The GC discussed with Dr. Pellicane the proposal to not require students to accept Fall GA offers until 4/15 and to require students who had accepted a GA offer to not accept another GA without first obtaining a written release from the institution whose offer they had first accepted. While the GC generally was in favor of this recommendation, it was pointed out that the enforcement of the latter part was dependent upon the CGS's implementation of some kind of mechanism for schools to verify that a student had not previously accepted a GA offer. Dr. Pellicane was asked to follow up on this matter with the CGS.

Curriculum Committee meetings set for every other Tuesday starting on February 2, 2010 @ 2:00 in Larson Hall Rm. 114.

Personnel Committee meetings set for every other Wednesday starting on February 3, 2010 @ 2pm in DSC 110K. They will conduct most of the regular business (approving graduate faculty status applications) via email and reserve the meeting times to discuss more strategic issues.

Both committees will meet during the week of GC meetings.

Report of Personnel Committee

Full

Stephen Farrelly, PhD	Assistant Professor of Philosophy	AHSS (approved)
Matthew E. Gifford, PhD	Assistant Professor of Biology	CSAM (approved)

Affiliate

Akhtar Afshan Ali, PhD	ORISE Fellow/Visiting Assistant Professor	EIT (approved)
Larry Featherston, PhD	Faculty Research Associate, Cornell Univ.	COE (approved)
Abil R. Modarressi, PhD	Distinguished Member of Technical Staff, AT&T	EIT (approved)
Jeannette M. Shorey, MD	Associate Dean for Continuing Medical Ed. UAMS	COE (approved)

Angela Webster-Smith, PhD Asst Professor, UCA-Dept. of Leadership Studies COE (approved)

Patrick Treuthardt, PhD Postdoctoral Research Fellow GIT (approved)

Other Business:

Graduate Coordinators Meeting : 01/27/10, 02/24/10, and 04/21/10 in DKSN Rm.100 @ 3pm
The January meeting will feature Ms. Sharon Downs, Director of the Disability Resource Center.

Dr. Jennings asked about Graduate Student Handbook; Dr. Lewis responded that the Graduate School has started working on one and she would forward it to the GC for review.

Please respond to emails from Gwen Johnson about graduation check-out.

Mr. Kays (GSA) discussed AEL nominations for Spring: Honorary membership is free. GSA has proposed to pay AEL dues for new members if funds are available. GSA Workshops are being planned.