UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL
MINUTES

Wednesday, Oct 17, 2018   12-1pm   Reid 415

<u>Council in Attendance:</u>
Susan Kollin (Letters)   Ahmed Al-Kaisy (Engineering)
Marc Giullian (Business)
Brock Smith (Agriculture)   Nicolas Yunes (Sciences)
Christopher Livingston (Architecture)   Dennis Aig (Arts)
James Becker (Health & Human Development)   Ann Ewbank (Education)
Jean Shreffler-Grant (Nursing)   Sobia Anjum (Student Representative)

<u>Also in Attendance:</u>
Brett Walker (Faculty Senate)
Doralyn Rossmann (Library)
Lauren Cerretti (Graduate School)
Amanda Brown (Graduate School)
Yujian (Ivy) Wang (OIP)

<u>Absent:</u>
Karlene Hoo (The Graduate School)
Tena Versland (Education)
Sara Mannheimer (Library)

<u>Meeting started at 12:00pm</u>

Oct 3, 2018 minutes
- Livingston moves, Yunes second, unanimous approval

Announcements
- **Faculty Senate update** (Walker/Richards)
  - Renaming of MBII PhD program to merge title to PhD in Microbiology & Immunology
  - "Seamless" Computer Science program likely to be voted on at Faculty Senate today
- **Graduate School update**
  - Enrollment data handout (also posted to shared drive)
  - Career-focus Professional Development event for graduate students tomorrow, 10/18
- **OIP Update (Wang)**
  - Travel for recruitment to China for several weeks
  - OIP re-started Global Faculty Advisor group; goal is to partner with departments/faculty on student recruitment and to make MSU an international university

Old Business
- **Reporting of Comprehensive Exams requirement (Al-Kaisy)**
  - Draft was posted to UGC website for campus comment and emailed to department head & graduate coordinator listservs; will wait for feedback and discuss at next meeting

Committee Reports
- Curriculum Committee
  - Courseleaf appears to have been down for a few days because no course approvals came in
- Governance Committee
  - MSU library representative & Graduate Student representative language revision (draft from 10/3 meeting)
    - Draft formalizes OIP and Library as non-voting members of Council
    - Draft formalizes that student representative serve for a one-year term that can be renewed one time for a maximum of two years
    - Q: should bylaws include mechanism for student member applications/choosing student?
      - Add language about student being chosen by Council but leave "mechanism" out to give UGC flexibility
    - Comment: in the future, Council might consider having a master's student and a PhD student because students face different issues
    - Chair asks for motion based on accepting revisions in draft and adding language "to be selected by Council"
      - Giullian moves, Livingston second, unanimous pass

Adjourned at 12:34 pm

Next scheduled meeting – Oct 31, 2018