

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES COUNCIL COMMITTEE

MINUTES May 26, 2022 Zoom Meeting 2:30-4:30pm

Chair: R. Yates

Recording Secretary: I. Hernandez

Members Present	Morton, C (MME)	Adam, Mohamoud (UCQ)	Members Absent	Faculty of Graduate Studies
Achari, G. (SSE)	O'Brien, M. (FGS)	Amedegnato O.	Beattie, T. (CSM)	Officers Present
Baral, K. (GSA)	Oehlberg, L. (CPSC)	(LLAC/FISL/GSEA)	Eiserman, J. (ARTS)	McLeod, C.
Blue, G. (GEOG)	Oleksiy Osiyevskyy (HSB)	Anderson, D.	MacCallum, J. (CHEM)	Nathoo, S.
Bonni, S. (MDSC)	Paquette, A. (GSA)	Bertram, J. (BMEN) (CSM)		Hernandez, I
Boyd, J. (CPSC)	Pounder, A. (LING)	Braun, A. (MDCV)		
Campbell, L. (LAW)	Priest, J. (SSE)	Brown, J-A (PHAC)		Guests
Chu, M-W (EDER)	Ryan, C. (SCIENCE)	Colicos, M (MDNS)		Natalie Wilkinson-Houghton
Clarke, M. (ENCH)	Savchenko, A. (CSM)	Dambrowitz, A. (Registrar)		Felicia Glatz
Colpitts, G. (ARTS)	Schroeder, M. (EDC)	De Koning, J. (MBBC)		
Cunningham, C. (FGS)	Shandro, T. (GSA)	Drefs, M. (FGS)		
Dimitropoulos, G. (SOWK)	Sherer, P. (MGMT)	Doyle-Baker. T. (KNES)		
Dolata, P. (HIST)	Shutt, T. (CSM)	Du, Ke		
Ducey, A. (SOCI)	Simmons, M. (EDC)	Farfan, P. (DRAM)		
Fapojuwo, A (ESE)	Snider, B. (MGMT-EMBA)	Field, J. (EDER)		
Forlini, S. (ENGL)	Stefanakis, E. (ENGO)	Greenberg, M. (Data		
Halek, M (AD HSB)	Strous, M. (GEOG)	Sci/Math)		
Hastings-Simon, S. (SEDV)	Terriff, T. (POLI)	Hamel, C. (SAPL)		
Hedges, P. (MGMT DBA)	Thundathil, J. (VMS)	Heggerud, C. (MBA)		
Hejazi, Hossein (CPE)	Tombe, T. (ECON)	Hexham, I. (GRST/RELS)		
Hiebert, M. (CMSS)	Vamosi, J. (BISI)	Hughes, L (CR)		
Hodgins, D. (PSYCH)	Wasmuth, J. (GRAD COLLEGE)	Jacobson, M. (CPSC)		
Hunt, J-D (ENCL)	Wilson, W. (ANTH/ARKY)	Keller, J. (CMMS)		
King-Shier, K. (NURS)	Wright, Jim (MPATH)	Krawetz, R. (MDBT)		
Kneebone, Ron (MPP)	Wu, J. (MATHS)	MacDonald, J. (MBBC)		
Kwok, S-M (SPP)	Wu, L-A (CPSC/DataSci)	Martin, Yvonne (MGIS)		
Lashewicz, B. (MDCH)	Wylant, B. (SAPL)	McCauley, E. (UCAL)		
Levey, A. (PHIL)	Yates, R. (FGS)	Neprily, K. (GSA)		
McCafferty, D-M. (FGS)	Zhang, M. (GSA)	Nguyen, M-D (MDNS)		
McGrath, D. (PSYC)	Saaka, S (GSA)	Radford, L. (MUSI)		
McLaughlin, A-M (SOWK)	Steele, James (GSA)	Schroeder, M (EDER)		
	Cameron, Alex (GSA)	Wilson, W (AA)		
	Akbari, Masume (GSA)	Young, L. (PPOL)		

1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Moved/Seconded

That the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council approve the agenda for the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Meeting of May 26, 2022

CARRIED

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2.0 APPROVAL OF FGS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Moved/Seconded

That the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council approve the minutes for the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Meeting of April 28, 2022.

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3.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

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4.0 Report from the Chair

- Territory acknowledgement.
- Welcome to Incoming GSA Executive Team.
- Thank you to outgoing GPDs, please notify FGS if there is a change in GPD.
- Jim Field is retiring. Thank you for your service and dedication to advocating for graduate students.
- Julia St. Louis, winner of 3MT Regionals. She goes onto the nationals.
- Supports for students fleeing conflict
 - We are willing to provide support and waive application fees and tuition deposits. However, we are not able to waive tuition. We are accepting unofficial transcripts until they can provide the documents. We are unable to provide full scholarships. We have not received any special budget. We do have some funds for students fleeing conflict to provide scholarships, with flexibility. It's possible that FGS can provide limited support.
 - The university encourages activities but there are reservations about sending UCalgary contingents to Poland.
- Changes to the distribution of AGES funds for 2023
 - AGES is paid in one lump sum. A student cannot hold two AGES in the same academic year.
 - It has been recommended that we utilize provincial resources to leverage additional funding from federal sources.
 - Pilot for 2023-24 the majority 40% of AGES would be handed out as research AGES. This is to incentivize those students that are applying for tri-council competitions.
 - There will be a separate competition for Indigenous scholars.
 - Feedback received from programs they would like to offer international AGES to incoming international students. By taking this up into the faculties, we will be able to give a portion of that international (25%) to faculties to offer for international student recruitment.
 - There is the same number of AGES and same number of Students. Students have to apply to the CGS competitions to be eligible. If you are eligible you must apply in this year.
 - There is a separate competition for our indigenous students. They will apply for these awards through the indigenous awards competition. We could potentially

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use this to recruit additional indigenous graduate students, to certain programs, where indigenous students are underrepresented.

- FGS can help by providing rankings or decisions can be made at the program level.
- o 13 months for Masters and 25 months for PhD.
- The students must apply this October if they are eligible for CGS competitions to be eligible to receive a research AGES in 2023-24.
- Term based registration the proposal is to implement a term based registration system
 for course based graduate students, which will remove the requirement to register
 annually. The registration status will be determined by the number of units for which
 they are enrolled in any particular term. Stop outs without an approved leave of
 absence unless clearly stipulated and warranted by the program. This will bring us into
 compliance for fulltime and parttime status. This is out for consultation, all GPA's are
 being consulted. We welcome any feedback or concerns, please email deangrad.
- Transcripts Proposing to move to a similar approach as an undergrad. Offer conditional admission on unofficial documents. Will ask for official documents after they receive their letter of admission. This will be an automated process. Reminders will be sent to the student
- PaSO questions/concerns please reach out to Catherine McLeod.
- CGPSS 2022 there was a 45.3% participation, slightly down from 2019. Data to come in late June and will send it out to programs.
- Future FGSC meeting (Sept 29/22) will be held via Zoom. What would council members prefer? We will include this question in a survey going out to GPDs.
- GPD Orientation all GPDs are welcome to attend.

Questions:

Change in transcripts policy – how could this affect thesis based students?

If a student is admitted on falsified documents or refuses to present official documents they will be required to withdraw effect immediately or be expelled. <u>ACTION: I will take this back to the working group.</u>

Additional months for AGES? ACTION: AD Scholarships to take this to the committee.

5.0 Reports from Associate Deans

5.1 Mary O'Brien

- Looking to fill a number of vacancies in the FGS Policy Committee, there are 4 slots to fill.
- Will be sending out a survey asking for feedback from GPDs.
- Thank you for providing your funding policies.
- Space available in TFDL for hybrid graduate exams. Information is in the GradVisor.
- We are gathering feedback on the universities' plan for EDI in research and teaching awards. Take a look at the document and provide feedback.

5.2 Donna-Marie McCafferty

- Thank you to all those that provided feedback on the scholarship document. Encourage students to apply for funding this coming fall.
- Applications for Vanier due June 13. They are assessed for eligibility and invited to fill
 out application for deadline in the fall.
- CGSD notice of intent deadline early July.

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• Competitions are upcoming, Elizabeth Cannon, Graduate Scholarship in Entrepreneurial Thinking deadline is today.

5.3 <u>Clifton Cunningham</u>

- Michelle Drefs sends her regrets. A reminder that the Student team is made up of Clifton Cunningham, Michelle Drefs, along with student academic advisors, Yan Zhang and Marisa Norona.
- Let's talk supervisor workshop held in CSM.
- Grad Success week, orientation for new supervisors, or acquiring supervisory privileges.
- GPDs who would like to make a program recommendation, please send it to Clifton and Michelle as soon as possible. Academic misconducts, please send to Clifton and Michelle as soon as possible.
- APR's, you should be receiving from students and supervisors. Don't hesitate to send it back. Note: unclick the satisfactory box before trying to send it back to the supervisor. If a student is on leave and they not expected to do APR.
- June 28th we are running a GPD workshop in Arts specifically focusing on international student support and resources.
- Student team is always available for questions.

6.0 Report from the Graduate College Head (Wasmuth)

None

7.0 Report from the Graduate Student's Association President (Saaka)

- New team GSA is transitioning into new roles.
- We have initiated a consulting process to guide our next three years. We will be
 listening to fellow graduate students. We will be reaching out to some of you today to
 seek your advice and perspective on how we can strategize for the collective interest of
 graduate students.

8.0 Urgent Business from GFC, GAPS, TLS, RSLS

None

9.0 Questions

• Request to have reports included in the all-in-one package. Will include reports if received by the deadline, otherwise they will be loaded to D2L once received.

10.0 Transformative Talent Internship (Presentation)

- New program piloting this summer which provides UCalgary graduate students a work integrated learning opportunity to enrich and apply their academics skills in their workplace setting.
- TTI participants are from 35 different programs.
- This new program provides a few more touch points during their internship. It allows students to create a community and delve into programs around metacognition.
- PPT presentation can be found on D2L
- The TTI team is available for questions and feedback.

Questions:

Average TTI is 4-6 months (there is flexibility)

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- The modules are completely specific to the internship, they are not related to their courses or modules.
- All degree seeking graduate students are eligible for this program. International students can reach out to FGS.
- 11.0 Scholarship ToR for information in package
- **12.0 Committee Reports** for information in package

Other Business

Adjournment at – 4:24pm