



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

Graduate Studies Advisory Committee (GSAC)

MINUTES

Meeting #7 11:00-12:30PM

Thursday, March 18, 2021

11:02: Called Meeting to Order – Chair, Dina Perrone; announced Chief Justice (student ASI, Greg Figueroa) present, as there is student appeal.

11:02-11:03: Reviewed and Approved [Minutes](#) from 2/18/21

11:03-11:04: Reviewed and Approved Agenda

11:04-11:08: Announcements (Bryan Rodriguez) – [Grad Slam](#) – Due March 22 (deadline for students; grad students only; STEM and non-STEM categories; 3 min “elevator pitch”; cash awards)

11:08-11:25: Scholar Works and Projects (Bryan Rodriguez); Grad Studies looking into repository to house “projects” that are not submitted through Thesis and Dissertation Office (thesis still would go through current process & deadlines); free of charge; seeking level of interest and questions; would not be required (up to program/dept); is alternative to submitting through ProQuest and thus not hard deadlines; platform would be monitored by library staff (each college would have one point person to upload); appropriate for comprehensive exams? Colleges should send Bryan an email indicating interest

11:25-11:41: Discussed [Master’s Programs Culminating Activity Policy Draft](#)

11:41-12:30: GSAC Subcommittees Meet in Breakout Rooms

Culminating Activity Subcommittee met to finalize [Master’s Programs Culminating Activity Policy](#)

- Finalized the policy on projects
- Outstanding questions include
 - o Can thesis committees have at minimum one tenured or tenure-track faculty members rather than two?
 - o Should a maximum number of students on a project committee be delineated?
- Subcommittee did not review comprehensive examination policy

GSAC Graduate Student Appeals Subcommittee (TBD; 4 faculty/adm + 1 student) met to discuss appeal

[GSAC Charge](#): GSAC also serves as a body that reviews any relevant graduate appeals for the Dean of Graduate Studies. Appeal subcommittee will meet again next week to finalize a decision following clarification from department.

12:33: Adjourned

Next GSAC meeting: Thursday, [April 15, 2021](#), 11-12:30pm

