

## Graduate Council Policy Committee

January 20, 2021 • 10:30 am • Zoom Meeting

### MINUTES

**Members Present:** Keith Koons (CAH), Uluc Aysun (COB), Jim Moharam (Optics, **Chair**), Kausik Mukhopadhyay (CECS), Laurie Neely (CHPS), Corinne Bishop (LIB), Ladda Thiamwong (CON), Ann Shillingford-Butler (CCIE), Stacy Barber (COS), Claudia Andl (COM), Gerald Matthews (Mod-Sim), Devon Jensen (CGS), Barbara Fritzsche (CGS), Jennifer Parham (CGS), Winston Schoenfeld (CGS)

**Guests Present:** Elizabeth Klonoff (CGS), Sevil Sonmez (COB), Ali Gordon (CECS), Anastasia Salter (CAH), Alan Fyall (RCHM), Laurence Von Kalm (COS), Lauren Murray-Lemon (CGS)

**Recorder:** Michele Pozdroll

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#### Welcome and call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30am by committee chair Dr. Moharam. A quorum was established.

Approval of minutes from November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020-Approved with no corrections

**New business**-Dr. Fritzsche led this discussion on Conditional Retention Plan (CRPs). Dr. Fritzsche is seeking clarification on a sentence in the catalog currently- "***Student's that get dismissed on a CRP sit out for one semester***". Also, the current policy puts students on probation when their overall GPA falls below a 3.0 and dismisses them with no probationary period if their overall GPA fall below a 2.0. Probation gives them 9 hours to get their GPA up to a 3.0. If they do not accomplish that, then they get dismissed. Once dismissed for low GPA, as student can request a Conditional Retention (Reinstatement) Plan from the Graduate Program Director. The program director can decide whether to offer the plan. If so, then the student gets another 9 hours to bring the GPA to a 3.0. Committee members voiced concerns regarding international students on a visa this would be a big issue. After a lengthy discussion the committee decided the current policy needs to be re-written. It was also suggested this be discussed with the Graduate Program Directors and Barbara will provide feedback at our next meeting.

The committee did not have time to discuss the other two new business items on the agenda, so they will need to be discussed at our next meeting on February 17th, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:22 am. The next meeting will be held on February 17, 2020.