**Graduate Council Policy Committee**

**January 25, 2023● 10:30 am ● Zoom Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** David Mohaisen (CECS, **Chair**), Uluc Aysun (COB, Vice Chair), Laurie Neely (CHPS), Barbara Fritzsche (CGS), Lisa Martino (CCIE), Jacinth Lindo (CON), Tadayuki Hara (COH), Patrick LikamWa (COP), Claudia Andl (COM), Brandy Dieterle (CAH), Beatriz Reyes-Foster (COS).

**Guests Present:** Elizabeth Klonoff (CGS), Sevil Sonmez (COB), Miryana Blesso (CGS), Alice Noblin (CCIE), Stephen Heglund (CON), Stephen Heglund, (CON), Ranetta Guinn (CHPS), Natasha Stubbs (CGS), Kerstin Hamann (COS), Anastasia Salter (CAH), Jennifer Parham (CGS), John Weishampel (CGS), Natasha Stubbs (CGS), Jacinta Gau (CCIE), Jihe (Jackie) Zhao (COM), Jill Viglione (CCIE)

**Recorder:**  Francine Pollaci

1. Welcome and call to order at 10:30 AM by the chair, Dr. David Mohaisen. A quorum was established.
2. Minutes to be approved.
3. January 11, 2023, minutes approved.
4. **General Business** - David Mohaisen (Chair)
   1. feedback on regulations/policies from the senate:
      1. UCF-2.030 confidentiality of examination and assessment instruments (<https://regulations.ucf.edu/>)
      2. (policy) 4-409 Awarding academic credit (<https://policies.ucf.edu/rfc.asp>)

The regulations were discussed, and feedback was solicited from the committee members. The chair noted that the current drafts do not have any issues.

1. **Old Business -**David Mohaisen (Chair)
   1. Revisiting 5.008/9 (academic misconduct)
   2. Thesis/dissertation conflict of interest -
      1. Draft in teams [Materials for 1\_25\_23 Meeting] folder

The committee discussed 5.008/9 and noted a concern with the intentionality of the academic misconduct, stated in the current draft, as it is difficult to prove. The committee provided that as feedback to the main committee of the proposed policy.

The committee discussed the dissertation conflict of interest and welcomed feedback from the committee members and guests. The concerns included 1) there’s an expectation that both (related) committee members are to be on the committee (credit, recommendations for the student, etc.), 2) that the policy interferes with the student’s freedom to choose their committee, 3) offensive policy targeting a specific subpopulation of faculty, 4) unclear how the policy will protect the students, and 5) gaps in the policy as it stands. The committee concluded the discussion with the intent to look into the policy further and develop stipulations that address those concerns.

1. **New Business -** David Mohaisen (Chair)
   1. Student IP policy (introduction only)
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The Student IP policy was introduced by CGS, including its rationale and stipulations. The policy will be discussed on a future day.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:31 AM.**