Subject: Report on University Committee on Graduate Studies (UCGS) for AY 2011-2012.

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1. The UCGS met on the following dates from 3-5 PM in Room 113 Linton Hall: **2011:** Sept. 6, Oct. 10, Nov. 7, Dec. 5. **2012:** Jan. 9, Feb. 6, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 7.

2. Most of the scheduled issues for discussion dealt with program changes such as: requirements for MS and MA degrees; establishing linked MA and MS degree programs; changing requirements for various MA or MS programs; changing the administrative responsibility for various graduate degrees. Several requests to establish new graduate programs were also discussed.

3. A review of Graduate Dean Karen Klomparens was conducted and will shortly be sent to Provost K. Wilcox. There is still time for individual faculty members to make comments to Provost Wilcox.

4. Issues and concerns related to COGS were discussed. Most of these issues dealt with questions regarding benefits and salary.

5. The formation of a University Research Organization was discussed. A website was established.

6. A search committee was established to fill the vacancy for the position of Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies (VPRGS).