University Graduate Council

College of Engineering Annual Report 2009-2010

For the 2009-2010 Academic Year, the University Graduate Council acted on the following agenda items involving College of Engineering Issues. The complete minutes of the UGC are published at http://grad.msu.edu/ugc/

September 14, 2009:

Request to phase out and discontinue Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Environmental Engineering-Environmental Toxicology. APPROVED

Requests to phase out and discontinue one other graduate program approved.

Requests to Change the requirements of seven (7) graduate programs approved

October 12, 2009: No College of Engineering Program Changes

Discussion:

Request by College of Business to add Pearsons Test of English (PTE) as an option for English Language Competency

Motion was approved by UGC to adopt the Pearson Test of English as an option for all MSU departments

Discussion: Proquest is working with MSU Graduate School and MSU Library to prepare MSU to accept Theses and Dissertations electronically. Nunez is preparing a proposal for UGC input. Proquest uses website, customized for MSU, directly accepts thesis/dissertations and moves directly to Proquest. The process uses PDF, similar to journals. Graduate School checks formatting on screen. Same publishing agreement, fees, but no paper, bound copy as in past. Proquest microfiches the documents as the archival copy. Library likes the idea of electronic copy – microfiche. University of Michigan, Wisconsin, Michigan Tech and Duke are all using this process along with many other universities

November 9, 2009: No College of Engineering Program Changes

Requests to change the requirements of two (2) graduate programs approved.

Request to phase out and discontinue one graduate program approved.

Request to admission requirements for one graduate program approved.

December 7, 2009: No College of Engineering Program Changes

Requests for a Moratorium on admission of thirteen (13) graduate programs approved. This is the first step in discontinuing these graduate programs.
January 11, 2010: No College of Engineering Program Changes

Curriculum and Program Review Committee - programs with low enrollments have been notified of potential examination. Julie Funk will call together the sub-committee to discuss program input.

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February 8, 2010: No College of Engineering Program Changes

Graduate Instruction, Employment, and Mentoring Subcommittee: Motion

The Subcommittee on Graduate Instruction, Employment and Mentoring Subcommittee of the University Graduate Council recommends for the 2010-2011 academic year that graduate Research Assistants (RA) and graduate Teaching Excluded (TE) assistants receive annual average university percent increase equal to the greater of the percent increase awarded to a) graduate teaching assistants under contract, or b) average academic faculty and staff. Motion Approved

Requests to change the requirements of eight (8) graduate programs approved.
Request to phase out and discontinue one graduate program approved.
Request to change the names of three (3) graduate program approved.
Requests to establish two (2) graduate certificate programs approved.

March 15, and April 12, 2010: Minutes are pending approval in September 2010. No College of Engineering Program Changes on the Agendas.

May 10, 2010: Meeting Cancelled

Respectfully Submitted: 5-21-2010

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