
Representatives:

ME: Zhu
BSE: Liu
CSE: Torng (chair),
CEE: Khire (fall), Lajnef (late fall), Cupples (spring)
ECE: Deb
CHEMS: Lee (vice-chair)
Students: Brink, Hu
Baek (UGSC representative)
Koochesfahani (associate dean)
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Topics covered by EGSC this year:

1. The primary topic for fall was the 5 year review of the associate dean for graduate students, Manooch Koochesfahani.

2. EGSC made selections for the Fitch Beach award and helped make decisions for the Engineering Graduate Research Symposium in March.

3. EGSC made first round selections for the EDF and EEF recruiting fellowships.

4. EGSC approved a wide variety of course and program changes. One theme that is still in progress is to update MS and PhD program descriptions. We are working to make these listings more general so that we do not need to modify the program descriptions each time a core graduate course is added or deleted.

5. EGSC provided advice to the associate dean on ways to enforce the RCR training requirement. The associate dean eventually used an enrollment hold mechanism in March to enforce this requirement.

6. The associate dean asked EGSC members to identify graduate courses that may wish to use a REAL classroom, particularly as one will soon be in the Engineering building.

7. EGSC briefly discussed a mandatory vacation policy for RAs. This is required by the Graduate Students Rights and Responsibilities. The associate dean volunteered to gather more information on this topic over the summer. This will be a topic for next year.

8. There was some discussion on updating the required time for filing PhD program plans. This was a continuation of a topic from last year. Dean Klomparens is trying to draft more flexible language for eventual approval by UGSC.

9. The associate dean is trying to change the PhD residency requirement. This currently requires
consecutive semesters for 6 credits enrolled. However, PhD full time status with RA/TA requires only 3 credits. Koochesfahani is requesting that PhD residency requirement change to 2 consecutive semesters of full time status.

Eric Torng