

MINUTES
Graduate Studies Committee
October 15, 2014

Present: Vice Provost Becker; Director Finger; Student Representative Garcia; and Professors DeSimone, Lebbon, Mazza and Peloso.

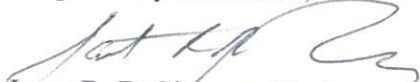
- 1) The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m.
- 2) The committee is looking forward to working with and welcomed new members: Stefan Becker, Richard Finger, Carl Mazza and Stefanie Garcia. The committee is very pleased to have a Lehman student, Ms. Garcia, on the committee.
- 3) The committee approved the minutes from the September 17, 2014 meeting.
- 4) Prof. DeSimone has been elected chair of the graduate studies committee for the new academic year, 2014-2015.
- 5) The committee discussed and approved one informational item, with an electronic vote of seven members, which constitutes a quorum; therefore, the senate does not need to approve and will only be notified of the below item.

Department of Middle and High School Education

- *ESC 511 – experimental course*

- 6) The committee delayed the approval of proposals from Health Sciences (DFN 530; changes to the MS/DFN program), since there still are questions. Prof. DeSimone will reach out to Health Sciences and request that a department member attend the November meeting to clear up all questions/ issues.
- 7) The committee discussed creating a new policy for a Pass/No Pass grading option. This was discussed last year, but with the changes in personnel, nothing was ever submitted. Director Finger is going to do some research, with help from Prof. Lebbon. Mr. Finger also agreed to reach out to current graduate advisors for feedback. The committee will review all information at its November meeting.
- 8) The committee commended Director Finger for being extremely helpful to and supportive of graduate programs/advisors, since assuming interim responsibility for this area.
- 9) The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Janet R. DeSimone, Chair