Proposed Amendment to
Faculty Governance Structure and Process document
2011-09

We, the undersigned, propose to amend Section 4.02, subsection (f), as follows (strikeout denotes text to be deleted, underline denotes text to be inserted):

(f) Graduate Curriculum Team

(i) Composition

The composition of the Graduate Curriculum Team (GCT) shall consist of one faculty member with graduate faculty member status representing each College; and one faculty member representing Library Services who is the liaison to a graduate program; Ex-officio members include and the Director of the Office of Graduate Studies, one representative from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction as ex-officio members; and one graduate student representative (1-year term) appointed by the Student Government President. Other ex-officio members (1-year term) may be appointed by the Team’s facilitator (1-year term) as appropriate to the Team’s task; and one graduate student representative appointed by the SGA President (1-year term).

(ii) Responsibilities and Duties

The members of the GCT serve as a unified university entity to review and coordinate among the academic programs, schools and colleges so as to (a) preserve and maintain the integrity of curriculum and course offerings, (b) review and resolve curricular issues, (c) assure public accountability by the university, (d) report to the Faculty Senate and (e) collaborate with the Graduate Affairs Team and Undergraduate Curriculum Team as appropriate. When the college representative to the Graduate Team is not qualified or chooses not to present changes to the curriculum from other disciplines in the college they represent, the GCTeam may invite representatives from programs proposing curriculum changes that discipline to present the proposed changes and answer questions from the GCTeam. The Graduate Curriculum Team is responsible for developing policies and procedures associated with the creation, maintenance and revision of graduate curriculum academic policies and standards, and accreditation issues. The Graduate Curriculum Team will review proposed changes in, additions to, and deletions from the
graduate curriculum, course descriptions, and catalog information and will forward recommendations to the Office of Academic Affairs.

Rationale:
The proposed changes bring terminology up to date and clarify some parts that may not be clear. This change also gives the GCT broader latitude to invite representatives from programs in to discuss proposed curriculum changes. Finally, the proposed amendment removes general academic policy issues from the description of responsibilities, since these are the purview of the Graduate Affairs Team.

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