



The Graduate School

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

GRADUATE COUNCIL AGENDA

February 22, 2016

To: Graduate Council

Dr. Julia Lopez-Robertson, Chair; Drs. Swann Adams, Jennifer Arns, Drucilla Barker, Bobby Brame, Jr., Heather Brandt, Matt Brown, Nancy Brown, Dirk den Ouden, Kay Edwards, Jerry Hilbish, Lorne Hofseth, Christian Jensen, Caryn Outten, David Tedeschi, Scott White, Susan Yeargin; Brittany Walter, GSA Representative; Jessica Elfenbein, Murray Mitchell, Dale Moore (Graduate School: ex officio members).

CC: President Harris Pastides, Provost Joan Gabel, Dr. Kristia Finnigan, Deans, Department Chairs, Graduate Directors and Graduate Program Administrators

From: Dr. Lacy Ford, Senior Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies

The Graduate Council will meet on Monday, February 22, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. in the Byrnes Building, Room 311 with the following items on the agenda:

1. **Call to Order and Approval of Agenda** (Julia Lopez-Robertson, Chair)
2. **Approval of the Minutes of [January 25, 2016](#)**. Approved actions by Graduate Council become effective 30 days after posting. A copy is available on The Graduate School website at: <http://app.gradschool.sc.edu/gradcouncil/minutes.asp>
3. **Report of the Chair** (Julia Lopez-Robertson)
4. **Report of the Dean of Graduate Studies** (Lacy Ford)
5. **Report of the Secretary of the Graduate Council / Associate Dean** (Murray Mitchell)
6. **Report of the Graduate Student Association Representative** (Brittany Walter)
7. **Report of the Academic Policy and Practices Committee** (Matt Brown)
 - a. See Appendix (policy proposal)
8. **Report of the 500/600 Level Courses, Distance Education and Special Courses** (Murray Mitchell)

A listing of 500/600 Level Courses is presented to Council for informational purposes only.

500/600 Level Courses

- **LING 542** (3) Research on Language Conflict and Language Rights (New Course Proposal: Fall 2016)

Distance Education Delivery

- **HPEB 502** (3) Applied Aspects of Human Nutrition

Special Topics Courses

- **ENHS 793** (3) Environmental Nanoscience (Fall 2016)
- **ENVR 800** (3) Earth Resource Management (Fall 2016)
- **PUBH 791** (3) History of Public Health, Medicine, and Nursing (Fall 2016)

Two Issues for Consideration:

- Should a copy of the syllabus be required for a special topics course?
- Should a graduate level special topics course be approved at the Graduate School prior to being added to the schedule by the Registrar?

9. Associate Graduate Faculty Nominations (Murray Mitchell)

None

10. Fellowships and Scholarships Committee (Heather Brandt)

11. Report of Science, Math, and Related Professional Programs Committee (David Tedeschi)

12. Report of the Humanities, Social Sciences, Education, and Related Professional Programs Committee (Drucilla Barker)

Below is a list of proposals reviewed by the Committee. Each curricular action can be viewed at this Public Agenda review site: <https://www.sc.edu/programproposal/gradagenda/?id=11>.

At this Public Agenda link, the individual proposals are not live-linked, but agenda items are listed in alphabetical order. To view the full proposals, GC members and Committee Chairs still need to go to the Committee Review site, and filter for "Committees", then for the "Committee" called "Added to Grad Council agenda."

- **EDET 899** (1-12) Dissertation Preparation (New Course Proposal: Fall 2016)
- **EDTE 776** (3) Educating African-American Students (Course Change: Distance and grading scale: Fall 2017)
- **MUED 793** (3) Topics in Music Education (New Course Proposal: Summer 2016)
- **Curriculum and Instruction Ed.D. Degree Program** (Discussion)

13. Report of the Grievances, Appeals and Petitions Committee (Nancy Brown)

14. Other Committee Reports

15. Old Business

16. New Business

- a. Reactions of attendance at Conference of Southern Graduate Schools

17. Good of the Order

- a. Dr. Finnigan - APL updates

18. Adjournment