

CGC Meeting 11/12/15

Present:

Bill Hart-Davidson
Malea Powell
Shannon Schweitzer
Blake Williams
Charlene Polio
Rocio Quispe-Agnoli
Lisa Schwartzman

Meeting commenced at 3:21 PM.

Approval of 10/8 minutes. Rocio abstains.

Announcements

University Fellowship competition. We now have information that came from Judith, and competition will go forwards as planned. Deadline 1/12/16.

GA Offer Letters

HR has been bouncing them back, primarily because a GA's salary cannot be lowered from one semester to the next. HR is requesting that we check that we have the correct stipend level. For US16, HR is sticking to biweekly stipends. Stipend rates are published in new GEU contract.

Some discussion followed regarding how GAs are paid over 9 vs. 12 months.

PROGRAM CHANGE

BA/MA in Philosophy--program for students already involved in BA program (targeting UN3). Students would stay an extra year and earn MA. Rest of requirements don't change. Students would be allowed to double count 9 credits.

Malea moved to approve, Rocio seconded.

5th year students will not receive funding. No current funding for MA students. The program aims to "beef up" credentials before students move on in professional and academic careers.

Helps enrollment in courses. Focused on "top-notch" students.

Unanimous approval. No abstentions. Motion passed.

GRAD PLAN DEGREE AUDIT

Judith confirmed two things at GAD. Degree audit for the near future is going to be limited to the moment when we go through final cert. Degree audit shifts the responsibility for the final cert process to the departments and then colleges. Currently that responsibility sits with the RO.

Starting with degrees conferred in AY16-17, there will be no paper final cert, as final certifications must be done through degree audit in Grad Plan. Departments will still have to monitor progress at their

level. Basically, departments will continue to operate the same way while applying the approach to Grad Plan. Some CGC members don't have SIS access. Dissertation approval is separate from the degree audit. Bill will continue advocating for CAL and departments, is willing to sit down with Kyle to hash out plan(s) to make this work better.

NEW RECRUITMENT FUND

External Funding Incentives

Deadlines will be set by programs. Ultimately, there will be a funding period deadline (end of fiscal year). Has to be in by last week of May. Bill will use chairs' expertise to vet applications. No criteria for amount. To receive money, student has to send bill/Janet confirmation that they submitted the application. Janet will then send email to appropriate grad sec instructing him/her to submit a fellowship form. Not for travel, but for fellowships. Exhibition shipping will apply (Blake).

Bill will show to the Dean one last time next week before sending it out, at which point it'll be live.

CAL TOP RECRUIT PROGRAM

A difference with UF is that there will be one fellowship instead of two, whereas UDF has bookends. Bill asks Directors to let him know who else below original rankings is eligible. Those "others" could receive college-level fellowship. Can move fellowships around in relation to students' programs (not necessarily 1st and 5th years, for example). Starting this recruitment season – "in time to make offers for people applying to programs." So, first award would be for next year

Offer letter could say: "we'd like to offer your 4 years of support as a GA, plus we'll offer you a CAL fellowship equivalent to one of our summer support fellowships."

Can be used for summer support. Not intended to be standard package, but to be "extra arrow in your quiver."

Departments don't necessarily make offers until well after 12/15. Departments don't necessarily have to use this in any given year (BHD doesn't foresee departments doing that, tho)

Powell: WRAC no offers before recruitment. Run boilerplate by BHD before they do anything. "Bill I think we want to offer this one person this package #3 so here's my boilerplate for doing that." BHD hopes to see that. Won't be by 12/15 though. Then BHD gives approval. The goal is to have the letters come to Janet & Bill with enough time to review and approve (one week at least).

Bill will change language around by 12/13 (next meeting).

FALL PLANNING PRIORITIES

What we've been asked to do is reflect back what's in your chairs' strategic planning document that has to do with our area (graduate education). BHD thinks that only 4 depts had things in strategic planning document about graduate education. Bill would welcome chairs' advice.

BHD is going to write about graduate priorities are – summary rather than setting agenda – in Spring it will flip b/c SS is about resource requests. BHD wants to make best representation about what departments are doing. Bill wants letters ASAP as he's working with incomplete information at the moment, which he'll mention when writing his report.