

Minutes of CGSR Meeting #27 on 04/25/2017 (draft)

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its final meeting in D-term 2017 on April 25th (Tues) in Kavin Hall.

Present: M. Demetriou, Karen Troy, R. Rao, A. Deskins, M McGrade, T. Camesano, S. Miles, K. McAdams, B. Vernescu, S. Scarlata

Absent: A. Zeng,

Guest: George Heineman (Computer Science)

Professor K. Troy called the meeting to order at 3:00pm

- The committee reviewed a revised draft for changes to the CS graduate catalog sections for MS, PhD and BS/MS programs. This revision follows an original motion for distribution requirements with extended discussion from a previous meeting with CGSR in February 2017. The committee approved the change in distribution requirements subject to approval by CS faculty.

-The committee considered a petition from an MS student to walk in commencement even though they will not complete their degree until the end of May. The committee approved the petition.

-Three requests from BME were considered. The first was to add descriptions for 3 courses (598, 599 and 699) for the course catalog. The second was to remove an existing course (581) which will be replaced by 583. The third was to add a BME journal club (BME 594). These requests were approved by the committee.

-A. Deskins asked the committee to consider reducing the 90 credit requirement for graduate students. The committee considered the possibility of reducing the number of credits graduate students who have passed their qualifying exam and are working on their thesis, or ask the administration to waive tuition for students solely working on their thesis research.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00.

Respectively submitted,
Suzanne Scarlata, Recording Secretary D-17