

Minutes of CGSR Meeting #8 on 10/27/2016

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its 1st meeting in B-term 2016 on October 27, 2016 (Thursday) in Gordon Library Conference Room 303.

Present: M. Demetriou (Chair), K. Burnett (GS), S. Scarlata, R. Rao, A. Zeng, T. Camesano (Dean of Graduate Studies), B. Vernescu (Vice Provost for Research),

Absent: K. Troy (off-campus project advising), A. Deskins

Guests: S. Miles (Registrar), K. McAdams (Academic Program), M. McGrade (Graduate Admission)

Professor Demetriou called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM

1. Approval of minutes of 10/13/2016 was delayed to next meeting.
2. The Committee discussed the motion from Math Department to modify credit hours requirements in their M.S. programs. S. Miles will reach out to the originator, L. Capogna, for more information and clarification.
3. The Committee discussed two motions from BBT Department. The first motion to change program description for M.S. in Biology and Biotechnology was approved after a minor revision in the new description of the program. The second motion to offer a skills-based M.S. in Biotechnology was approved on two conditions: (1) a minor revision in the program description is made; and (2) a clear list of required and elective courses is provided.
4. New Business: There is no need to make changes to current graduate student health insurance plans, as the latest federal regulation reassures that university subsidies for graduate student health insurance can remain.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Zeng, CGSR secretary (B16)