

Minutes of CGSR Meeting #4 on 10/8/2018

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its 4th meeting of AY '18/'19 on October 8, 2018 (Monday) in Gateway Park I room GP 4104.

Present: S. Scarlata (Co-Chair), R. Rao (Co-Chair), G. Fischer, S. Johnson, M. Rolle, M. Timko, B. Choate (GS), B. Vernescu (Vice Provost for Research).

Absent: S. Miles (Registrar), M. McGrade (Graduate Admission), K. McAdams (Academic Program), T. Camesano (Dean of Graduate Studies).

Guests: N/A

Professor Scarlata called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM

1. The minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting were approved.
2. The majority of the meeting focused on a Motion for a Master of Science program in Neuroscience. The committee discussed several points of clarification regarding program goals, admissions requirements, required courses, student plans of study, and potential impacts on participating and affiliated departments. Notes and feedback will be returned to the originator to incorporate into a revised motion. CGSR members voted to conditionally approve the motion, pending the noted revisions, and review and approval by all affiliated departments.
3. The committee reviewed a draft statement outlining CGSR support for exploring the development of cross-cutting research institutes at WPI (following up from meeting with Provost Soboyejo in the October 1, 2018). CGSR members will submit additional comments and revisions electronically, prior to finalizing the document and sending it to Provost Soboyejo.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Rolle
CGSR secretary (A18)