

Minutes of CGSR Meeting #16 on 01/25/2024

The Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) held its **sixteenth meeting** of AY 23/24 on **January 18, 2024 (Thursday)** at 3 pm ET via Zoom and in person.

Present: Sarah Olson (MA, Chair), Purvi Shah (BUS), Luis Vidali (BIO), Yunus Telliel (HUA), Rodica Neamtu (CS, Secretary C term), Chaitanya Ruhatiya (MTE Student Representative). Bogdan Vernescu (VP for Research)

Guests: Melissa Terrio (Grad Recruitment and Admissions), Alex Wyglinski (Associate Dean of Graduate Studies)

Prof. Olson called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm (US Eastern Time).

1. The committee discussed the incident of the “zoombombing” incident during the Faculty meeting on January 17. Sarah Olson will contact Mark Reichman to convey the comments from the CGSR members regarding this incident.
2. The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the 1/11/2024 meeting # 15 with minor modifications.
3. The committee further discussed updates to the Collaborative Accelerated MS programs presented to the Faculty Meeting on January 17. Several issues about the admissions process, eligibility, logistics of registering for courses, advising and potential issues related to double-counting credits will be included in the feedback to the motion.
4. The committee decided to wait on further discussion on a motion to add a teaching practicum to the PhD Program in Fintech until next meeting the DH can attend.
5. The committee discussed the proposal for a PhD Fintec PhD program.
6. The committee discussed the Motion to modify the Chemical Engineering seminar 501-502. This will be continued and voted on at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:545 pm.