UMGSB GRADUATE COUNCIL

Thursday, May 4, 2023
Zoom Meeting Hosted by
UMBC
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

MINUTES

In Attendance: Janet Rutledge, Erin Golembewski, Abraham Schneider, Adam Bargteil, Andy Miller, Jeffrey Halverson, Jennifer Maher, Jenny Owens, John Basile, Katherin Schlegel, Matthew Gottlieb, Jamila Savage, Lisa Morgan, Mathangi Gopalakrishnan, Michelle Starz-Gaiano, Nirmalya Roy, Sebastian Deffner, Steve Pitts, Danya Qato, William Jackson

1. Approval of Minutes from Council Meeting held on April 6, 2023: minutes were approved as written.

2. Announcements/plans/issues UMB:
   - Erin Golembewski: Commencement is slated for May 18th at UMBC, and the Doctoral Hooding Ceremony will precede Commencement on May 17th.
   - Currently in the process of a few Dean searches such as the School of Nursing, School of Pharmacy, HSLS Library, and the Graduate School.
   - Vice Dean of the Graduate School Dr. Flavius Lilly will be leaving UMB and transitioning into the Provost role at McDaniel College.

3. Announcements/plans/issues UMBC:
   - Janet Rutledge: Last week, UMBC had the Inauguration of the new President with various activities such as the QuadMania that undergraduates take part in and there was a luncheon for Graduate Students. Several graduate students shared positive experiences after meeting the new President. A forum was hosted where faculty shared some community engaged scholarship.
   - Provost is retiring and a search has been initiated. The process will be closed until a new Provost has been chosen.
   - A search has been initiated for a new Vice President for Student Affairs who will specifically have graduate students as part of their portfolio.
   - Next year, changes in structure and providing better staffing support for the GSA is being considered.
   - Commencement is slated for May 24th and two undergraduate ceremonies on May 25th.

4. GSA Reports
   - UMB
     - Erin Golembewski: Bethany Lee from the School of Social Work has been chosen as Outstanding Mentor of the Year.
     - GSA conducted their elections and have chosen new GSA Officers that’ll be announced shortly.
   - UMBC
     - Jeffrey Halverson: GSA Senate hosted their last meeting of the academic year. 3MT winners participated in the NAGS competition. Jeffrey agreed to judge for the competition.

5. Committee Reports
   - Program Review
     - No new items to report.
   - Long Range Planning and New Programs – Approved
Community Leadership has a post-baccalaureate certificate, and some changes are being made to that and the master’s degree program which is replacing some courses outside and inside of CLDR. There are new one-credit skills courses, currently nine offered, and the program is planning to offer more of those courses.

Proposal for students who are in another master's degree program will have the opportunity to enroll in their CLDR 602 course, Legal and Ethical aspects of Community Leadership, instead of doing a second six-credit capstone project.

Second proposal for post-baccalaureate certificate in Social Entrepreneurship which is a carve-out of an existing master's degree in social entrepreneurship. This entails requiring students to enroll and complete four courses that are already a part of the MS degree.

- **New Courses**

- **UMBC - All Course Recommendations Approved**

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6. **Graduate Faculty**
   - **UMBC**
     - Burns, Mercedes – Biology Sciences
       - Approve to Regular status appointment.
     - Kifle, Yehenew – Math and Statistics
       - Approve to Regular status appointment.
     - Lane, Sarah – MD Department of Natural Resources (ICARE)
       - Approve to Special appointment for 2 years.
     - Manni, Maria – Modern Languages, Linguistics and Intercultural Communications
       - Approve to Special appointment for 1 year.
   - **UMB**
     - None to report currently.

7. **Old Business**
   - Update on tabled motion to create a task force to examine the overall benefits of a joint Graduate Council as well as any tension points and possible solutions.
     - Erin Golembewski: a few conversations with stakeholders have happened to discuss the timing of the task force being pushed back a bit until a new Graduate School Dean has been chosen.
     - Consensus to learn from Graduate Council and non-GC members regarding their perspectives of the value of having a combined or joint Graduate Council.

8. **New Business**
   - None to report currently.

*Next Meeting:*
*September 7, 2023*
*Hosted by UMB*