To be received and placed on file:

The Graduate Council met eight times during the period June 9, 1999 through April 12, 2000. The Administrative Committee of the Council met 4 times during this same period. Complete records of Council activity are on file in the Office of the Academic Senate.

The Courses and Programs Committee made recommendations and the Council acted on 34 new courses, 30 changes in existing courses, 5 segment courses, 12 deletions and 3 renumberings. The Graduate Council acted on requests for changes in requirements for the following graduate programs: Biochemistry, Biomedical Sciences, Cell, Molecular & Developmental Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Sciences, History, Management, Neuroscience, Physics, Psychology, Soil and Water Sciences and Tri-Campus Classics, (please refer to the attachment for synopses of these changes).

To date, the Graduate Council Fellowship Committee has awarded 21 Dissertation Research Grants amounting to $17,050. Additionally, the Graduate Division reports that 508 fellowship offers were made to outstanding admitted students on a first-come-first-serve basis; of these 238 have been accepted with 60 offers currently outstanding. In the area of Diversity, 12 fellowship awards were made to outstanding continuing doctoral students.

The Graduate Council concluded its regularly scheduled reviews of the graduate programs in Education, Microbiology and Philosophy. The reviews of Comparative Literature and Mathematics are still underway. The following program reviews were initiated during the academic year 1999/00: Biochemistry, Dance History, Environmental Toxicology and Music.

Additionally, the following actions were taken by the Graduate Council:

- At its first meeting of the academic year, the Council adopted a statement regarding possible conflicts of interest by its members.

- The Graduate Council considered and approved a revised order of reviews.

- The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the Academic Senate to consider a proposed name change of the program in Mechanical Engineering to the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

- The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the Academic Senate to consider a proposal for a UCR Law School.
The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the Academic Senate to consider a proposed name change for the Department of Neuroscience to the Department of Cell Biology and Neuroscience.

The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the Academic Senate to consider a proposed name change for the School of Education to the Graduate School of Education.

The Graduate Council considered and approved a new program proposal for an MFA degree in Dance.

The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the Department of Earth Sciences to disestablish their graduate program in Geography.

The Graduate Council considered and responded to a request from the department of Biochemistry to postpone their regularly scheduled program review for one year.

The Graduate Council approved the following program changes during the period June 9, 1999 through April 12, 2000.

**Biochemistry**: change in catalog copy text [07/27/99]; change in degree title from Biochemistry to Biochemistry and Molecular Biology [01/14/00].

**Biomedical Sciences**: change in elective courses [03/09/00].

**Cell, Molecular and Developmental Biology**: approved catalog copy for new graduate degree program [06/09/99]; change in GRE requirement [11/22/99].

**Chemistry**: change in cumulative exam requirement [07/27/99].

**Computer Science**: changes to Ph.D. comprehensive examination; change in M.S. and Ph.D. elective course requirements [06/09/99].

**Electrical Engineering**: change in catalog copy and changes in MS comprehensive and Ph.D. qualifying examinations [03/09/00].

**Graduate Program in Environmental Sciences**: change in core requirements [02/03/00].

**History**: change in Ph.D. foreign language requirement [11/17/99].

**Management**: change in course requirements [06/09/99].

**Neuroscience**: approved catalog copy for new graduate degree program [06/09/99].
Physics: clarification of catalog copy for GRE requirement and units of letter grade courses; elimination of advisory exam [11/22/99].


Soil and Water Science: revised catalog copy which reflects changes corresponding to new degree title [07/27/99].

Tri-Campus Classics: approved new catalog copy for new graduate degree program [07/27/99].

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