To be received and placed on file:

The Graduate Council met eight times during the period May 24, 2004 through April 18, 2005. The Administrative Committee of the Council met once 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 51 new courses, 81 changes in existing courses, 2 new segment courses, 17 deletions, and 1 restoration. In addition, the Council reviewed The Graduate Council acted on requests for changes in requirements for the following graduate programs: Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Computer Science, Creative Writing and Writing for the Performing Arts, Dance, Education, History, Music, Neuroscience, Physics, Plant Pathology, and Sociology (please refer to the attachment for synopses of these changes).

Since the last report, the Graduate Council Fellowship Committee has awarded Dissertation Research Grants amounting to $11,652.

The Graduate Council concluded its regularly scheduled review of the graduate program in Mathematics. The reviews of Anthropology, Cell, Molecular and Developmental Biology (3-year review), English, Environmental Sciences (3-year review), and Soil & Environmental Sciences are still underway. The following program reviews were initiated during the academic year 2004/05: Art History, History, Mechanical Engineering (3-year review), Neuroscience (3-year review), and Plant Biology.

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 reviewed a document titled “UCR Policy, Guidelines, and Procedures for Naming Campus Properties, Academic and Non-Academic Programs, Endowments, and Facilities.”

- The Graduate Council reviewed and approved a request from the University Extension Senate Committee to have the Graduate Division consider University Extension courses for transfer credit toward a UCR Master’s degree.

- The Graduate Council reviewed and approved a request from the interdepartmental graduate program in Microbiology to have a moratorium placed upon its program.
The Graduate Council reviewed and approved a change in wording to Academic Senate Bylaw GR 4.6.1 which would allow individual dissertation committees the right to decide whether to conduct a final or oral examination. This change was sent to the Academic Senate for formal approval.

The Graduate Council reviewed and responded to a policy on Academic Integrity for Students.

The Graduate Council reviewed and approved the use of the Candidate in Philosophy degree for the UC Riverside campus.

The Graduate Council reviewed and approved a proposed order of reviews for the 2005/06 academic year.

The Graduate Council considered and responded to an Academic Council Resolution on Restrictions on Research Funding Sources.

The Graduate Council reviewed and commented on proposed Interdepartmental Bylaws.

The Graduate Council approved the following program changes during the period 2004 through 2005.

**Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**: change in course requirements (addition of BCH 184) [11/17/04].

**Computer Science**: removal of CS 238 from specialty area one [10/14/04]. Addition of three courses to specialty areas [02/28/05].

**Creative Writing and Writing for the Performing Arts**: change in admission policy to accept applications for Fall only [10/14/04]. Elimination of GRE requirement [02/28/05].

**Dance (MFA)**: elimination of the GRE requirement for the MFA in Dance [03/28/05].

**Education**: change in course requirements [01/24/05].

**Ed.D. Proposal**: changes in curriculum and committee structure [03/28/05].

**History**: changes in language requirement; Ph.D. research field exams; Ph.D. complementary exams; procedures for writing Ph.D. exams; grading of Ph.D. exams; procedures for writing Ph.D. exams, procedures for writing Ph.D. complementary exams; elimination of outside member for Public History oral examination; substitution of research paper based on quantitative history as option to fulfill language requirement; options available for basic knowledge in a language; change in language requirement for British History area [11/17/04].

**Music**: change in course requirements [03/28/05].
Neuroscience: change in core requirement – deletion of NRSC 211 and addition of NRSC 201 [10/14/04]; change in course requirements [12/13/04].

Physics: deletion of PHYS 207 as an additional elective [04/18/05].

Plant Pathology: changes in course requirements & editorial changes to general catalog copy [11/17/04].

Sociology: proposed changes to catalog copy [02/28/05].

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