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DANIEL SIMMONS
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Re: Revised CCGA Memo to Divisional Graduate Councils on the Conversion of an Existing Graduate Degree Program from State-supported to Self-supported Status

Dear Dan:

The Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA) has further discussed the conversion of existing graduate degree programs from state-supported to self-supported status; and after careful deliberation has revised the attached policy guidelines.

CCGA respectfully requests that Academic Council:

- 1) Endorse the draft guidelines;
- 2) Forward the draft guidelines to local divisions; and
- 3) Request that the Provost disseminate copies to Graduate Deans and EVCs on the campuses.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about these guidelines.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Carmody".

James Carmody, Ph.D.

Chair, CCGA

Copy: Martha Winnacker, Academic Senate Executive Director
CCGA Members

Enclosure

**CCGA Instructions to Divisional Graduate Councils:
Conversion of Graduate Degree Programs from State-Supported to Self-Supported
May 2011**

CCGA has determined that the conversion of an existing graduate degree program from state-supported to self-supported status cannot be considered under the name change provisions in the Compendium. Such a conversion far exceeds those provisions.

State-supported graduate degree programs are designed to, and in fact do, operate to further the University's primary goals under the Master Plan. Self-supported graduate degree programs, by definition, serve an ancillary purpose. Frequently, an SSP's objective, at least in part, is to make the knowledge generated through the research activities of the faculty and students in state-supported programs available to those groups of students identified in the SSP policy. State-supported and self-supported programs are, therefore, not identical to each other in a number of significant ways. Consequently, existing graduate degree programs may not convert from state-supported to self-supported status.

Existing state-supported graduate degree programs may request their own disestablishment as state-supported degree programs in accordance with policy. Concurrently, faculty involved in the research, teaching, and administration activities of such existing state-supported graduate degree programs may present a proposal for the creation of a new SSP. All such proposals must comply with SSP policies.

Divisional Graduate Councils may, at their discretion, allow the disestablishment of the existing state-supported degree program and the proposal for a new SSP to proceed concurrently. CCGA may review both actions simultaneously and, at its discretion, on an expedited basis.