Graduate Council  
Meeting Minutes  
September 22, 2015  
220 Van Wormer Hall

Attendees:  Michael Baldwin, Raj Bhatnagar, Frank Germer, Denise Gormley, Dan Gottlieb, Connie Kendall Theado, Annulla Linders, Fran Meyer, Suzanne Masterson, Steve Mockabee, Tom Polger, Anne Runyan, Tara Smith, Xinhao Wang, Yana Zavros, Margaret Hanson and Chip Montrose, Kevin Li, Steven Cahn, Gary Dick, Missi Stec

Staff:  Lori Griffin

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<td>The Council reviewed and approved the minutes from the April 2015 meeting.</td>
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| DAAP – Master of Landscape Architecture | • Presented to the Council by Virginia Russell and Danilo Palazzo.  
• OSU and Kent State both have an MLA. They have been admitting for two years now. UK and Purdue have a Bachelor’s only. Ball State has both. Miami used to have a minor. We will certainly gain some of their students.  
• Our program is shorter than both OSU and Kent State.  
• Recruiting at UK has already begun.  
• Salaries after finishing the program tend to be higher than BA degrees. Even better than architects first starting out.  
• The Council noted that the program should have a succinct mission statement.  
• This program has an urban focus. Co-op piece of the program allows students to cross disciplines.  
• The vote was unanimous to approve the program. | Discussion & Motion |
| Graduate School Handbook | • The Graduate School Handbook has been updated and sent out by Virginia Dennis.  
• Modifications were made so that policies and practices are consistent.  
• Note that there is newly inserted language on professionalism. | Discussion |
| Graduate Recruitment | • The amount of grad school recruitment dollars has been doubled. The funds are distributed according to the number of students graduating from each program.  
• This process may need to be tweaked. Comments and other ideas are welcome to help with next year’s distribution. | Discussion |
Colleges will be asked for a one page summary after recruitment so that ideas can be shared.

**Grade Grievances**

- Most colleges/universities have a grad grievance policy for their grad school.
- Currently, CCM is the only college at UC that allows students to grieve grades.
- Chip asked for volunteers to form a taskforce to put together a draft of a grievance policy.
- Volunteering for the taskforce were Tara Smith, Frank Gerner and Gary Dick.
- Chip asked that Steve Cahn from CCM be “on call” to help as needed.

**Next Meeting**

Tuesday, October 27, 2015, 220 Van Wormer. Lunch at noon, business meeting beginning at 12:30.