

APPROVED

2022-23 Annual Report
Graduate Council

In fulfilling its charge as established in the Bylaws of the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, the Graduate Council (GC) carried out the following activities. The Chair of the GC during 2022-23 was Professor Eve Sweetser and the Vice Chair was William Dow. A roster of the Graduate Council and its standing committees is attached as Appendix A.

Note: items are listed chronologically in each section. Dates in parentheses, unless otherwise noted, indicate the date of correspondence.

I. Academic Program Reviews

- Department of Earth and Planetary Science
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart (09/16/22)
- Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (10/04/22)
- Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (10/11/22)
- Department of French
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (04/11/23)
- Department of Nuclear Engineering
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (04/11/23)
- Department of Chemistry
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (05/05/23)

II. Graduate Group Reviews

- Graduate Group in Global Studies
Report forwarded to Chair You-tien Hsing (03/27/23)

- Program in Jurisprudence and Social Policy
Report forwarded to Associate Dean Dylan C. Penningroth (04/13/23)
- Graduate Group in Endocrinology
Report forwarded to Chair Gary Firestone (05/24/23)

III. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

- Proposal to add MA option for PhD in Buddhist Studies
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (09/14/22)
- Proposed revisions to degree requirements for the Master of Nutritional Science and Dietetics
Approval forwarded to Chair Hei Sook Sul (09/21/22)
- Proposed curricular changes to the MS in Health and Medical Sciences
Approval forwarded to UCB-UCSF Joint Medical Program Director Jyothi Marbin (09/21/22)
- Proposal to add full-time option for the Master of Molecular Science and Software Engineering (MSSE) program
Approval forwarded to Department of Chemistry Chair Matt Francis (09/21/22)
- Proposed change to Plan II option for MA in Linguistics
Approval forwarded to HGA Susanne Gahl (09/23/22)
- Proposed changes to questions for GSI end-of-term course evaluations
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (10/12/22)
- Proposal for new SSGPDP: Master of Climate Solutions (resubmission)
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (10/17/22)
- Proposal for new certificate in Transdisciplinary Early Learning Science and Child Policy
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (11/14/22)

- Proposal for new certificate in Racism, Health, and Social Justice
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (11/30/22)
- Proposal for new SSGPDP: Master of Biotechnology
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (12/07/22)
- Request to mandate “Disability, Accommodation, and Access in the UC Classroom” training for Academic Senate faculty members
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (12/12/22)
- Proposal to eliminate the Foreign Language Requirement for the Demography PhD and the Sociology & Demography PhD
Approval forwarded to Department of Demography Chair and Graduate Group in Sociology & Demography Chair Mara Loveman (12/12/22)
- Proposal to increase normative time for the Clinical Science subfield of the PhD in Psychology
Approval forwarded to Department of Psychology Professor Sheri Johnson (02/23/23)
- Proposal for Berkeley Optometry to move to an S/U grading system
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Smart (03/14/23)
- Three-year review of SSGPDP: Master of Information and Cyber Security (MICS)
Report forwarded to Division Chair Smart (04/07/23)
- Proposal for new Department of Neuroscience
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Smart (05/05/23)

B. Completed without Written Comment

- Presentation on Academic Program Review
Director of Academic Program Review Verna Bowie gave an overview of the APR process (09/12/22).
- Revisions to admissions policy (conflict of interest attestation)

GC approved an update to the graduate admissions policy requiring disclosure of potential conflicts of interest (10/03/22, 11/07/22, 12/05/22, and 02/06/23 meetings)

- **Revision to Graduate Academic Misconduct Policy**
GC provided feedback to VP Lisa García Bedolla and approved the proposed policy (10/03/22 and 11/07/22 meetings).
- **Promoting graduate student mental health during difficult times**
Dr. Amy Honigman, Senior Clinical Psychologist at UCB Counseling and Psychological Services, and Wellness Specialist for the Graduate Assembly, and Dr. Burcu Tung, Graduate Division Academic Conduct and Climate Specialist, met with GC to discuss the topic of graduate student mental health (02/06/23 meeting).
- **299 courses and paid GSR work**
Chair Sweetser shared GC comments with Division Chair Smart by email following the 03/06/23 meeting.
- **Recipients of the Carol D. Soc Distinguished Graduate Student Mentoring Awards**
The following nominees were approved at the 04/03/23 meeting: Assistant Professor Fumi Okiji of Rhetoric for the Early-Career Faculty Award, and Professor Daniel Fletcher of Bioengineering for the Later-Career Faculty Award.
- **GC representatives served on the following:**
 - Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA) (Candace Yano [fall 2022] and Edmund Campion [spring 2023])
 - Advising Council (Mark Sandberg)
 - Space Assignments and Capital Improvements Committee (Ilan Adler)
 - WSCUC Accreditation (Sean Farhang)
 - Soc Awards (Mark Csikszentmihalyi, John MacFarlane, José Marrero Rosado)
 - Neurodiversity Task Force (Eve Sweetser)
 - Block Grant Task Force (Leonardo Arriola)

- Self-Supporting Graduate Professional Degree Program (SSGPDP) Task Force (Eve Sweetser, William Dow)
- Strike Recovery Group – Academic and Instructional Planning (Mark Csikszentmihalyi)
- Strike Recovery Group – Graduate Student Experience (Eve Sweetser)

IV. Unfinished Business

- Proposal for new SSGPDP: Master of Data and Visual Journalism (deferred by proposers)
- Proposed amendment to the Bylaws of the Graduate Council on the Standing Committee on Fellowships and Graduate Scholarships (02/07/22, 03/07/22)

APPENDIX A

GRADUATE COUNCIL AND STANDING COMMITTEES 2021-22

Graduate Council

Eve Sweetser, Linguistics, Chair
William Dow, Public Health/Demography, Vice Chair
Ilan Adler, Industrial Engineering & Operations Research
Leonardo Arriola, Political Science
Emmeline Chuang, Social Welfare
Ernesto Dal Bo, Business/Political Science
Penelope Edwards, South & Southeast Asian Studies
Sean Farhang, Law/Political Science/Public Policy
Heather Haveman, Sociology/Business
John MacFarlane, Philosophy
Prasad Raghavendra, EECS
Mark Sandberg, Scandinavian/Film & Media
Shawn Shadden, Mechanical Engineering
Jennifer Skeem, Public Policy/Social Welfare
Candace Yano, Business/ Industrial Engineering & Operations Research
Jonathan Zwicker, East Asian Languages & Cultures

Student Members:

Ari Bible, Architecture (alternate)
Alanna Cooney, Mechanical Engineering
José Marrero Rosado, Anthropology
Alden Moss, Bioengineering

Ex Officio:

Ronald Cohen, Division Chair, Academic Senate
Lisa García Bedolla, Dean, Graduate Division
Christian Hosam, Graduate Assembly Campus Affairs Vice President

By Invitation:

Gail Brager, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Administrative Committee

Lisa García Bedolla, Dean, Graduate Division, Chair
Eve Sweetser (Chair, Graduate Council), Linguistics
Leonardo Arriola, Political Science
Emmeline Chuang, Social Welfare
Jennifer Skeem, Public Policy/Social Welfare
Mark Sandberg, Scandinavian/Film & Media

Fellowships and Graduate Scholarships

Not appointed

Foerster Lectures on the Immortality of the Soul

Not appointed for 2021-22

Charles M. and Martha Hitchcock Professorship

Vincent Resh, ESPM, Chair
Gibor Basri, Astronomy
Aaron Edlin, Law
Grace O'Connell, Mechanical Engineering
Tina Sacks, Social Welfare
Lisa García Bedolla, Dean, Graduate Division, ex officio

Howison Lectures in Philosophy

John Campbell, Philosophy, Chair
Geoff Lee, Philosophy

Jefferson Memorial Lectures

Chris Tomlins, Law, Chair
Paul Pierson, Political Science
Russell Robinson, Law
Poulomi Saha, English

Barbara Weinstock Memorial Lectures on the Morals of Trade

Rui de Figueiredo, Business Administration/Political Science, Chair
Isha Ray, Energy and Resources
Michael Watts, Geography
Steven Weber, School of Information/Political Science

Advisory Committee for GSI Affairs

Jeffrey Reimer, Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering, Chair

Gail Brager, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Cati de los Rios, Education

Penny Edwards, South & Southeast Asian Studies (GC liaison)

Lisa Pruitt, Mechanical Engineering

Mary Wildermuth, Plant & Microbial Biology

Kathryn Brock-Robertson, Folklore, Graduate Student

Christopher Jackson, Chemistry, Graduate Student

**Advisory Committee for Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Professional
Development**

John MacFarlane, Philosophy, Chair/GC Liaison

Brandi Catanese, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Karine Gibbs, Plant & Microbial Biology

Line Mikkelsen, Linguistics

Cara He, Integrative Biology, Graduate Student member

Alanna Cooney, Mechanical Engineering, Graduate Student member

Rohit Kolora, Integrative Biology, Postdoc member