

APPROVED

2023-24 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 2023-24 was Professor Kent Puckett and the Vice Chair was Professor Leonardo Arriola. 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

- Herbert Wertheim School of Optometry and Vision Science
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Max Auffhammer (10/12/23)
- Department of Architecture
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (10/06/23)
- Department of Economics
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (11/02/23)
- Department of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (01/16/24)
- School of Social Welfare
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/09/24)

II. Graduate Group Reviews

- Graduate Group in Performance Studies
Report forwarded to Chair SanSan Kwan (05/17/24)
- Graduate Group in Sociology and Demography
Report forwarded to Chair Mara Loveman (05/17/24)

III. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

- Proposed changes to requirements for Linguistics MA
Approval forwarded to Head Graduate Advisor Susanne Gahl (09/18/23)
- Proposed part-time option for the Master of Real Estate Development and Design (MRED+D) SSGPDP
Approval forwarded to Faculty Director Greg Morrow (09/18/23)
- Proposal for new Master of Business Administration/Master of Climate Solutions (MBA/MCS) concurrent degree program
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (09/18/23)
- Request for exception to BDR A208 to allow acceptance of pre-matriculation credits for Master's of Advanced Study in Engineering (MAS-E) program
Variance request forwarded to the Committee on Courses of Instruction (10/13/23). COCI approved the request (10/25/23). Approval forwarded to College of Engineering Dean Tsu-Jae Liu (11/02/23).
- Proposal (revised) for new Department of Neuroscience
Approval forwarded to Chair Auffhammer (10/10/23)
- Proposal to add an MA in Logic and the Methodology of Science *en route* to the existing PhD
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (10/12/23)
- Inclusion and belonging in our classrooms (letter from EVCP Benjamin Hermalin)
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (01/16/24)
- Interim report of the Academic Planning Council Workgroup on the Future of Doctoral Programs at the University of California
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (02/08/24)

- MICS program's response to three-year review, and request for exception to appoint non-Senate faculty member as HGA
Response forwarded to Interim Dean Marti Hearst (03/12/24)
- Proposal to add an MS *en route* to the PhD in Computational Biology
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (02/14/24)
- Three-year review of Master of Molecular Science and Software Engineering (MSSE) SSGPDP
Report forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (03/25/24)
- Request for feedback on Key Disabled Students' Program Information, Procedures and Protocols for Implementation of UCOP PACAOS 140, 143 et seq (Provision of Academic Adjustments)
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/03/24)
- Three-year review of Master of Design (MDes) SSGPDP
Report forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (03/25/24)
- Proposal for consolidation and discontinuance of Chinese Language and Japanese Language PhDs into an East Asian Languages and Cultures PhD
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (04/04/24)
- Final report of the University of California Systemwide Advisory Workgroup on Students with Disabilities
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (04/10/24)
- Proposed Systemwide Academic Senate statement on UC quality
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (04/25/24)
- Proposal for curricular changes to the Master in Social Welfare
Approval forwarded to Dean Linda M. Burton (06/25/24)
- Proposal for new Master of Real Estate Development and Design (MRED+D) concentrations
Approval forwarded to Faculty Director Greg Morrow (06/25/24)

- Proposal to discontinue the DE in Energy Sciences and Technology and to disestablish the Graduate Group
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/08/24)
- Proposal to transfer the Master of Development Practice to GSPP and disestablish the Graduate Group
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/08/24)
- Proposal for new Department of Political Economy
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/08/24)
- Three-year review of Master of Bioprocess Engineering (MBPE) SSGPDP
Report forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/08/24)
- Proposal to discontinue the PhD in Molecular Toxicology and disestablish the Graduate Group
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (05/08/24)

B. Completed without Written Comment

- Presentation on Academic Program Review
Director of Academic Program Review Verna Bowie gave an overview of the APR process (09/11/23).
- Amendment to the Bylaws of the GC to remove the Standing Committee on Fellowships and Graduate Scholarships
GC approved the amendment (12/04/23)
- Revision to A1.1 of the Guide to Graduate Policy (Head Graduate Advisers and Graduate Advisers)
GC approved the revision (04/01/24 meeting).
- Recipients of the Carol D. Soc Distinguished Graduate Student Mentoring Awards
The following nominees were approved at the 03/04/24 meeting: Tianna Paschel of African American Studies for the Early-Career Faculty Award, and Allen Goldstein of CEE for the Later-Career Faculty Award.

- *GC representatives served on the following:*
 - Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA)
(Edmund Campion)
 - Space Assignments and Capital Improvements Committee (Ilan Adler)
 - Soc Awards Committee (Kimiko Ryokai, Thomas Scanlon, Connor Luellen)

IV. Unfinished Business

APPENDIX A

GRADUATE COUNCIL AND STANDING COMMITTEES 2023-24

Graduate Council

Kent Puckett, English, Chair
Leonardo Arriola, Political Science, Vice Chair
Ilan Adler, IEOR
Adda Athanasopoulous-Zekkos, CEE
David Bates, Rhetoric
Edmund Campion, Music
Mark Csikszentmihalyi, EALC
Sean Farhang, Law/Political Science/Public Policy
Lee Fleming, IEOR/Business
Emily Mackil, History
Susan Maslan, French
Jim McGuire, Integrative Biology
Timothy McQuade, Business
Kimiko Ryokai, Information
Thomas Scanlon, Mathematics
Kenichi Soga, CEE
Eve Sweetser, Linguistics
Michelle Wilkerson, Education

Student Members:

Leen Arnaout, Bioengineering
James Chang, Business (alternate)
Kenneth Lin, Astrophysics
Connor Luellen, Biophysics

Ex Officio:

Max Auffhammer, Division Chair, Academic Senate
Lisa García Bedolla, Dean, Graduate Division
Krish Desai, Graduate Assembly Campus Affairs Vice President

By Invitation:

Gail Brager, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Administrative Committee

Lisa García Bedolla, Dean, Graduate Division, Chair

Kent Puckett (Chair, Graduate Council), English

Adda Athanasopoulous-Zekkos, CEE

David Bates, Rhetoric

Emily Mackil, History

Jim McGuire, Integrative Biology

Foerster Lectures on the Immortality of the Soul

Thomas Dandeleit, History

Nora Jacobsen Ben Hammed, MELC

Laura E. Pérez, Ethnic Studies

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

Brandi Summers, Geography

Michael Watts, Geography

Advisory Committee for GSI Affairs

Penny Edwards, South & Southeast Asian Studies, Chair

Gail Brager, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Tina Chow, CEE

Cati de Los Rios, Education

Timothy McQuade, Business (GC liaison)

Ula Taylor, African American Studies

Chris Geary, English, Graduate Student

Bashi Mandava, Physics, Graduate Student

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

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, EALC, GC Liaison/Chair

Brandi Catanese, Associate Dean, Graduate Division

Karine Gibbs, PMB

Maria Reis, History

Masi Santos, Linguistics