

**COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES
ANNUAL REPORT
ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-2008**

DATE: August 1, 2008
TO: Karen Cook, Chair, XLI Senate
FROM: Philip Lavori, Chair, Committee on Graduate Studies
RE: C-GS Annual Report 2007-2008

This report contains no items requiring Senate action.

C-GS Membership 2007-2008:

Philip Lavori, Health Research & Policy (Chair)
Arnetha Ball, Education
Clay Carson, History
Marcus Cole, Law
Aharon Kapitulnik, Physics/Applied Physics
Mark Kelman, Law
Lee Ross, Psychology
Juan Santiago, Mechanical Engineering
Andrew Walder, Sociology
Kelley Rivoire, Electrical Engineering, Student Member
Carolyn Snyder, IPER, Student Member
Christopher Warshaw, Political Science, Student Member
Thomas C. Black, University Registrar, ex officio
Patricia Gumport, Vice Provost of Graduate Education, ex officio

Present by Invitation:

Chris Golde, Associate Vice Provost for Graduate Education
Sally Gressens, Assistant Dean, Engineering
Roni Holeyton, Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies, Humanities & Sciences
(replaced in Winter Quarter by Lorraine Sterritt, Associate Dean for Graduate & Undergraduate Studies)
Brad Osgood, Senior Associate Dean, Engineering
Susan Stephens, Senior Associate Dean for Graduate and Undergraduate Studies, Humanities & Sciences

Lindi Press (Office of the University Registrar) provided staff support for C-GS and its subcommittees. Deborah Gordon (Biology) was the Committee on Committees Liaison to C-GS. The Committee on Graduate Studies met fourteen times during the Academic Year.

ITEMS BROUGHT TO AND APPROVED BY THE SENATE DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-08:

C-GS Annual Report

SenD#5992: Philip Lavori, Chair of C-GS, presented the 2006-2007 Annual Report of the Committee on Graduate Studies to the Faculty Senate on October 25, 2007.

Graduate Degree Candidates

C-GS, as a matter of routine, sent the list of graduate degree candidates eligible for graduation each quarter to the Senate for approval as: SenD#6006 on October 11, 2007; SenD#6036 on January 24, 2008; SenD#6082 on April 17, 2008; and SenD#6119 on June 12, 2008.

SenD#6000. Joint Degree Program in Law and Bioengineering. The JDP will comprise the JD degree in Law and either the PhD or MS degree in Bioengineering. This program is designed for students who wish to prepare extensively for careers in areas relating to both Law and to the problem-solving knowledge and skills of Bioengineering. This recommendation was approved in the Administrative Session of the Senate on November 8, 2007.

SenD#6018: Degree Program Name Change from Biological Sciences to Biology. C-GS brought a joint recommendation with C-RUM to change the names of the PhD, MS, and BS degree programs, as well as the BS minor and Honors Programs, from Biological Sciences to Biology. These changes follow the change of the department name from Biological Sciences to Biology, which had previously been approved by the Provost. This recommendation was approved in the Administrative Session of the Senate on November 8, 2007.

SenD#6017: Interdisciplinary Program in International Policy Studies. Last year the IDP moved from a one-year MA degree program to a two-year program, and the first cohort in this group will not graduate until the end of AY 2008-09. To allow for a better perspective on the new format, and to align the program's review with that of the IDP in Public Policy, the program requested a one-year extension in its degree-nominating authority. C-GS concurred with the request from the IDP, which was supported by the Dean of Humanities and Sciences. This recommendation was approved in the Administrative Session of the Senate on November 8, 2007.

SenD#6056: Degree-Nominating Authority for New Department of Environmental Earth System Science. The newest department in the School of Earth Sciences will focus on understanding biogeochemical and physical processes across the oceans/land/atmosphere systems, and will offer a graduate program only at this time. C-GS recommended approval of both the PhD and MS degree programs, and departmental authority to nominate candidates for those degrees, effective September 1, 2008, without limit of time. This recommendation was approved by the full Senate on March 6, 2008.

SenD#6060: Joint Degree Programs with Public Policy (MPP). These JDPs had been approved by C-GS late in the 2006-07 academic year, following the establishment of the MPP degree, for the same three-year period that all previous JDPs had received. They are the MPP

and (respectively) the JD (Law); MBA (GSB); PhD (Education); PhD (Economics); PhD (Psychology); PhD (Sociology); PhD (Management Science and Engineering); and MA (International Policy Studies). This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on April 17, 2008.

SenD6064: Joint Degree Programs in Law/CS and Law/EE. These two JDPs (the JD in Law and the MS in Computer Science, and the JD in Law and the MS in Electrical Engineering) followed the same format as previous Law/MS JDPs that had been approved by the Senate for three-year periods. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on April 17, 2008.

SenD#6063: Interdisciplinary Program in Biophysics. Biophysics is unique in its incorporation of the physical sciences with the biological/biomedical area offered by other BioSciences home programs. Its size is limited by its dependence on NIH training grants, but it provides a great amount of flexibility to accommodate the diverse backgrounds of its students. C-GS recommended a five-year renewal of this IDP that spans the Schools of Medicine and Humanities & Sciences. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on April 17, 2008.

SenD#6070: Joint Degree Program Policies. C-GS, after considerable study, set up policies for creation and approval of JDPs consisting of the JD/MA, JD/MS, JD/MPP, or PhD/MPP degree programs. These proposals will now be vetted and approved by the Registrar's Office and the VPGE, rather than having to come to the Senate. This recommendation was approved by the full Senate on April 17, 2008. A full list of all Joint Degree Programs approved as of June 2, 2008, is attached as Appendix III.

SenD#5908: Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities. In a joint recommendation with C-RUM, C-GS recommended a one-year extension to the Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities graduate program. The C-RUM recommendation was for a three-year renewal for the undergraduate BA and Honors degree programs. The program director asked for the one-year extension to move the graduate program in a new direction, which was supported by H&S and C-GS. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on April 17, 2008.

SenD#6061: Interdisciplinary Program in Financial Mathematics. This program was created in 1999 and has been exceptionally successful for students who enter the career of quantitative analysis in the financial industry. C-GS recommended a five-year renewal for the MS degree program. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on May 29, 2008.

SenD#6100. Interdisciplinary Program in Immunology. This program continues to be successful, but the School of Medicine asked only for a three-year renewal in order to assess the changes anticipated in the department of Microbiology and Immunology, as well as the interface the IDP will have with the new Institute for Immunology, Transplantation and Infection. C-GS concurred with this request, and recommended the three-year renewal. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on May 29, 2008.

SenD#6102: Orals Examination Chairs and Committees. C-GS recommended two changes in policy to expand the number of faculty who may serve as chairs of PhD orals examinations, and to allow (on a case-by-case basis) retention on an orals committee of a faculty member who becomes emeritus before the student completes the program. This recommendation was approved by the Administrative Session on May 29, 2008.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION THAT WILL COME TO THE SENATE IN 2008-09

Change of name to degree programs in the (former) Department of Spanish and Portuguese, now the Department of Iberian and Latin American Cultures. The Provost approved the departmental name change on May 13, 2008, and both C-GS and C-RUM approved the changes of name for the corresponding degree programs at their last meetings in Spring Quarter. Because of the timing in the academic year, there was no chance to bring the degree program recommendations to the Senate; and none of these changes will appear in the 2008-09 *Stanford Bulletin*. A joint C-GS/C-RUM recommendation will be scheduled in Autumn 2008.

Interdisciplinary Program in Symbolic Systems. The reviews of both the graduate and undergraduate degree programs took place in Spring Quarter, and there was no room on the Senate agendas for the C-GS/C-RUM renewal recommendation in the remaining meetings.

C-GS STANDING SUBCOMMITTEES

Subcommittee on Exceptions to Graduate Policy

This Subcommittee was convened for two meetings during the Academic Year.

Subcommittee on Minority Recruitment and Retention

The standing C-GS Subcommittee on Diversity/Minority Recruitment/Retention has been inactive since the creation of the Provost's Diversity Action Council, of which the C-GS Chair is a member.

APPENDIX I: COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES – MEMBERSHIP 2007-08

Philip Lavori, Chair Health Research Policy	lavori@stanford.edu Redwood Bldg, T101E, MC 5405	5-6109 9/06-6/09
Arnetha Ball Education	arnetha@stanford.edu Cubberley 224, MC 3096	4-7424 9/06-6/09
Thomas C. Black, ex officio University Registrar	tblack@stanford.edu 630 Serra Street; MC 6032	3-1550
Clay Carson History	ccarson@stanford.edu Cypress Hall D-Wing; MC 4146	3-2092, 5-8828 9/06-6/09
Marcus Cole Law	gmcole@stanford.edu Law School; MC 8610	3-0615 9/05-6/08
Patricia Gumport, ex officio VPGE; Prof Education	gumport@stanford.edu Bldg 310; MC 2012	3-7727
Aharon Kapitulnik Physics/Applied Physics	aharonk@stanford.edu McCullough 361; MC 4045	3-3847 9/05-6/08
Mark Kelman Law	mkelman@stanford.edu Crown Law Quad #327; MC 8610	3-4069 9/05-6/08
Lee Ross Psychology	ross@psych.stanford.edu Bldg 420; MC 2130	5-2447 9/06-6/09
Juan Santiago Mechanical Engineering	juan.santiago@stanford.edu Bldg 530 (Thermosciences); MC 3032	3-5689 9/05-6/08
Andrew Walder FSI-Asia-Pacific Research Center	walder@stanford.edu Encina Hall, C100; MC 6055	3-4560 9/06-6/09
Kelley Rivoire, Student Representative Electrical Engineering	krivoire@stanford.edu Packard Bldg; MC 9505	
Carolyn Snyder, Student Representative IPER	cpsnyder@stanford.edu Mitchell Bldg; MC 2210	
Christopher Warshaw, Student Representative Political Science	cwarshaw@stanford.edu Encina Hall, C100; MC 6044	
Lindi Press, Staff Academic Committee Coordinator	lindi.press@stanford.edu 630 Serra Street, Suite 120; MC 6032	5-1894

Academic Staff Attending by Invitation

Chris Golde, Associate VPGE
Sally Gressens, Assistant Dean, Engineering
Roni Holeton, Assistant Dean, Graduate Studies, Humanities & Sciences
(replaced by Lorraine Sterritt, Winter Quarter)
Brad Osgood, Senior Associate Dean, Engineering
Susan Stephens, Senior Associate Dean for Graduate and Undergraduate Studies, Humanities & Sciences

Subcommittee Membership

Subcommittee on Exceptions to Graduate Policy

Philip Lavori, Chair

Mark Kelman, Law

Christopher Warshaw, Law/Political Science (student representative)

Thomas C. Black, University Registrar

APPENDIX II: Meeting dates, agenda items, and presenters.

October 4, 2007

Welcome, review of Senate charge, planning for academic year, approval of Annual Report (standing general business items such as approval of minutes will not be listed separately for each meeting).

Update on Joint Degree Programs and JDP policy planning

Policy questions on Orals Committee Chairs

October 18, 2007

Discussion: Department of Environmental Earth System Science in School of Earth Sciences (Scott Fendorf, EESS Chair)

JDP Proposal: School of Medicine (MD) and Interdisciplinary Program in Environment and Resources (MS/IPER) (Helen Doyle, Associate Director, IPER), Charles Prober (Sr Assoc Dean for Medical Education, School of Medicine)

IDP in International Policy Studies: One-year Extension Requested (Susan Stephens, H&S)

Degree Program Name Change: Biological Sciences to Biology

Change of Department Name in SLAC (notification only)

November 1, 2007

Orals Chairs Policies

JDP Policies

Time to Degree Questions

November 15, 2007

Orals Chairs Policies

Academic Deadlines (Thomas Black, University Registrar)

November 29, 2007

JDP Proposal: Law (JD) and Computer Science (MS) (Larry Kramer, Dean, Law School), Jeff Strnad (Professor, Law), Michael Genesereth (Professor, Computer Science)

JDP Policies and Documents update

January 10, 2008

Discontinuation of PhD Minor in Applied Linguistics

Law School JDP Proposals: Discussion (Jeff Strnad, Law)

JDP Policies

January 24, 2008

IDP Review: Biophysics (William Weis, Director)

JDP Policies and Language

February 7, 2008

Final discussion/voting: JDP in Law (JD) and Electrical Engineering (MS), and Law (JD) and Computer Science (MS)

Final discussion/voting: New Degree Programs: Environmental Earth System Science
Department (Scott Fendorf, Chair, EESS)
JDP Policies

February 21, 2008

IDP Review: Financial Mathematics (Tze Lai, Director, and Amy Duncan (Program
Administrator)
Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities: Recommendation for the School of Humanities &
Sciences (Susan Stephens, H&S)

March 6, 2008

JDP Policies: report from the subcommittee
JDP Proposal: Public Policy (MPP) and Management Science & Engineering (MS)

April 10, 2008

Orals Chairs Policies
IDP Review: Symbolic Systems (Ivan Sag, Director, and Todd Davies, Associate Director)
JDP Policies: subcommittee update

April 24, 2008

IDP Review: Immunology -- Lawrence Steinman (Director, Immunology); Sheri Krams
(Associate Professor, Surgery); Stuart Kim (Chair, Faculty Review Committee for Immunology);
Ellen Porzig (Associate Dean for Graduate Education, School of Medicine); John Pringle
(Professor of Genetics)
Graduate Admissions Policies (Judith Haccou, Director of Graduate Admissions)

May 8, 2008

Time to Degree: departmental responses
Graduate Admissions Policies (discussion)
JDP Policies: subcommittee update

May 22, 2008

Graduate Life: Chris Griffith (Associate VPSA and Dean of Student Life)
JDP Proposal, Part II: Public Policy (MPP) and Management Science & Engineering (MS)
Change of Degree Program Name: Department of Spanish and Portuguese becomes Iberian and
Latin American Cultures (PhD, MA change from Spanish to Iberian and Latin American
Cultures)
JDP Policies: final report from subcommittee, adoption of language and forms

APPENDIX III

APPROVED JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS					
	PROGRAM 1	DEGREE	PROGRAM 2	DEGREE	DATE APPROVED
1	Law	JD	Economics	MA	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
2	Law	JD	Education: Policy, Organization and Leadership	MA	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
3	Law	JD	History	MA	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
4	Law	JD	ICA (one-year)*	MA	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
5	Law	JD	ICA (more than one year)*	MA	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
6	Law	JD	Public Policy	MA	6/2/2008 (by Reg Office)
7	Law	JD	GSB	MBA	mid-1970s
8	Law	JD	Public Policy	MPP	4/17/2008
9	Law	JD	Health Research and Policy	MS	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
10	Law	JD	IPER	MS	5/31/2007
11	Law	JD	MS&E	MS	5/31/2007
12	Law	JD	Bioengineering	MS	11/8/2007
13	Law	JD	Electrical Engineering	MS	4/17/2008
14	Law	JD	Computer Science	MS	4/17/2008
15	Law	JD	Sociology	PhD	prior to 1973
16	Law	JD	Economics	PhD	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
17	Law	JD	History	PhD	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
18	Law	JD	Philosophy	PhD	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
19	Law	JD	Political Science	PhD	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
20	Law	JD	Psychology	PhD	1/20/2007 (by VPGE)
21	Law	JD	IPER	PhD	5/31/2007
22	Law	JD	MS&E	PhD	5/31/2007

23	Law	JD	Bioengineering	PhD	11/8/2007
24	GSB	MBA	Education	MA	10/16/2002
25	GSB	MBA	IPER	MS	3/8/2007
26	Public Policy	MPP	International Policy Studies	MA	4/17/2008
27	Public Policy	MPP	GSB	MBA	4/17/2008
28	Public Policy	MPP	Economics	PhD	4/17/2008
29	Public Policy	MPP	Psychology	PhD	4/17/2008
30	Public Policy	MPP	Education	PhD	4/17/2008
31	Public Policy	MPP	Sociology	PhD	4/17/2008

* M.A. degree-granting programs (one- and two-year) within the Division of International Comparative and Area Studies: African Studies, East Asian Studies, International Policy Studies, Latin American Studies, and Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies.

List as of June 2, 2008