Graduate Studies Committee

July 6, 2010
10:00AM to 11:00AM
Dean’s Conference Room (4307 HPNP)

**Members:** Dr. Ray Bergeron (MC), Dr. Ian Tebbett (MC-Forensics), Dr. Tony Palmieri (PC), Dr. Michael Katovich (PD), Dr. Carole Kimberlin (POP), Dr. Reggie Frye (PTR), Dr. Bill Millard (ORGS), Mr. Stephan Linden (GS)

**Guest(s):** None

### AGENDA TOPICS

- **Accept Minutes** – from the May 20, 2010 meeting. There was no meeting in June.
- **New Minimum Stipends for Graduate Students on Appointments**
- **Latin American-Caribbean (LAC) Scholarship for In-state Tuition Purposes**
- **Establishing Master’s-PhD Projects with other Universities**
- **POP New Courses for Approval**
- **Ruffolo Family Scholarship**
- **Graduate Funds**
- **TA Assignments for Fall**
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Minutes from July 6, 2010

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Absent: Dr. Bergeron, Dr. Tebbett, Dr. Katovich

Guests: Dr. Ken Sloan (for Dr. Bergeron), Dr. Joanna Peris (for Dr. Katovich)

Accept Minutes: minutes from the May 20th meeting were approved as recorded. There was no meeting in June.

New Minimum Stipends for Graduate Students on Appointments: Effective for the 2010/2011 fiscal year there are new graduate student stipends. .33 FTE = $8,833/81, .25 FTE = $6,692.30. The complete list of stipends was attached. Also noted is that there will be a 3% across the board raise for all TAs at UF for this coming year.

Latin American-Caribbean (LAC) Scholarship for In-state Tuition Purposes: Under Florida Statute, full-time students from Latin America and the Caribbean who receive scholarships from the federal or state government qualify for in-state tuition. A complete list of all those countries that are eligible was attached.

Establishing Master's-PhD Projects with other Universities: A memo from Dr. Frierson has stated that he would like UF to enter into collaborations with other minority universities to help build our minority recruitment opportunities and expand research collaborations with these institutions.

POP New Courses for Approval: POP presented three new courses for approval.

1. Pharmaceutical Policy Process (Fulda, coordinator): approved by the committee
2. Disparities in Health in America: Working Towards Social Justice (Odedina, coordinator): approved by the committee
3. Commercial Applications in Pharmacoeconomics (Unel, coordinator): *approved by the committee*

**Ruffolo Family Scholarship:** Dr. Robert Ruffolo has gifted money to the college to set up a scholarship fund for graduate students. Dr. Millard asked the committee what kind of guidelines they would like to see used to select the recipient of the scholarship. Guidelines from the old Lippman Award (now the Dean's Award) were distributed as an option or starting point to modify for the Ruffolo Scholarship. Dr. Millard asked the committee to email him the recommendations before August.

**Graduate Funds:** Dr. Millard already spoke with Dr. Derendorf and Kelly Markey to combine several small funds into one fund to better utilize the funds available.

**TA Assignments for Fall:** TA assignments were reviewed and approved. Debbie will send the letters out to all the students and course coordinators.

**Next meeting:** At this time the meeting scheduled for August 12th is canceled but may be rescheduled if deemed necessary by Dr. Millard.