



# Graduate Studies Committee

October 12, 2011  
1:00PM to 2:00PM

Dean's Conference Room (4307, HPNP)

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**Members:** Dr. Ray Bergeron (MC), Dr. Joanna Peris (PD), Dr. Tony Palmieri (PC), Dr. Almut Winterstein (POP), Dr. Reggie Frye (PTR), Dr. Bill Millard (ORGS), Jonathan Schelfhout (SP)

**Guest(s):** Dr. Jason Frazier (PD)

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## AGENDA TOPICS

- + Accept minutes from the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting
- + Syllabi Input for Graduate Courses
- + Three New Course Requests
- + Outstanding International Student Nominees
- + Southeastern Deans Conference Meeting
- + HHMI International Student Research Fellowships
- + Graduate Program Questionnaire



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Minutes from October 12, 2011

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**Absent:**

**Guests:**

✚ **Accept Minutes:** Meeting was opened at

✚ **Syllabi Input for Graduate Courses:**

Dr. Millard explained the reason why there is a need to upload all online and offline course syllabi for every college. The members then questioned why there is such a need in the first place? Dr. Millard was informed by the University that this is a new policy that must be upheld by each College. Departments then explained why some courses do not have syllabi.

✚ **Three New Course Requests:**

Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policy has introduced three new courses for the online program. The idea behind the new courses is to spread out the content of a seven week course into two courses that can be better taught. All members approved of the new courses.

✚ **Outstanding International Student Nominees:**

All departments were given a copy of the nominees to double check their entries. PTR submitted their nominee during the meeting.

✚ **Southeastern Deans Conference Meeting:**

Dr. Millard mentioned that the main idea of this conference is to for the University of Florida to be able to jump on board with the union of graduate programs across the nation. Every University is expected to contribute with a graduate course that can be shared with the other Universities. Members questioned the benefit to our college by joining this conference. There was skepticism about whether this was at all beneficial to our college or if it would just benefit the other Universities. It seemed like there was more to gain from the other Universities than from our own.

✚ **HHMI International Student Research Fellowships:**

Members were not allowed to vote on a winner due to the fact that one department was missing their entry. Deans Office will look back to see if an entry was ever put in by the

October 7<sup>th</sup> deadline. If the entry was placed before the deadline, the ballot will be sent out electronically to all the members for voting.

 **Graduate Program Questionnaire:**

Dr. Millard began by having each department address the 18 questions on this questionnaire. Each department must hold meetings in order to address issues, and be ready to present the responses by November 2th.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:45pm.**