



# Graduate Studies Committee

April 24, 2014

9:00AM – 10:00AM

Dean's Conference Room (4307, HPNP)

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**Members:** Dr. Hendrik Luesch (MC), Dr. Ian Tebbett (MC-Forensics), Dr. Jason Frazier (PD), Dr. Tony Palmieri (PC), Dr. Almut Winterstein (POP), Dr. Taimour Langae (PTR), Dr. Bill Millard (ORGS), Donna Rivera (SP)

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## AGENDA TOPICS

- ✚ **Accept Minutes** – from February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. There was no meeting in March 2013.
- ✚ **Graduate School Fellowships and Grinter Fellowships** – Current year and next year supplementation by the department
- ✚ **Stipend Levels – Graduate Student and Post-doctoral Fellows**
- ✚ **Article – Graduate Students on Research/Training Grants**
- ✚ **AACP: Launch of Graduate Programs School Page**
- ✚ **PharmD/M.S. Program**



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- ✦ **Graduate School Fellowships and Grinter Fellowships** – All of the GSF and Grinter offers have been made. Three offers are still outstanding and although most likely the students will accept Debbie will contact those departments for final confirmation. The final list will be emailed to the committee, chairs and graduate staff. To be more competitive, Dr. Millard recommended to the committee that for next year the departments should consider increasing their contribution so that the total GSF totals \$30K. This would require a \$5K match from the college/department to make the GSF program whole.
- ✦ **Stipend Levels – Graduate Student and Post-doctoral Fellows** – a list of the NIH stipend levels for pre and post-docs was distributed to the committee with a reminder to make sure that the minimum stipend amount is listed on grant proposals. *Also keep in mind that fringe rates for fellows and graduate students from 18.1% to 24.6% for fellows and 11.5% from 7.2% for graduate students.*
- ✦ **Article – Graduate Students on Research/Training Grants** – Dr. Millard had distributed the article “Rescuing US Biomedical Research from its Systemic Flaws” to the college and recommended to the committee to read the article as the article talks about post-doc and graduate student participation on grants and how faculty should be training future scientists.
- ✦ **AACP: Launch of Graduate Programs School Page** – There was much discussion as to whether the college should participate through AACP’s new graduate website. Dr. Millard will be contacting AACP for more information.
- ✦ **PharmD/M.S. Program** – Interest in a joint PharmD/M.S. degree program was brought forth to the committee for discussion. The committee agreed that although there is a great interest in this joint degree program it would be put on hold until after the new curriculum is in place.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50am.