Graduate Program Directors/Program Assistants Brown Bag

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MAY 29TH, 2014
AGENDA

• Graduate Admissions Update
• Waiver Process
• New Policies – Grad Council
• TA Training
• GA Assignments and ACA
• Ph.D. Completion
• Other Issues
Graduate Admissions Update

Dr. Liz O’Connell,
Director, Graduate Admissions
Waiver Process

- Initiated a new waiver process
  - More automated and better tracking
  - Resulted in some policy changes
  - Out-of-unit appointments
New Policies – Grad Council

1) **ADMISSIONS - BOLOGNA DEGREES**
2) **MAJOR PROFESSORS - MUST BE FROM STUDENT’S HOME DEPT.**
3) **DOCTORAL MINIMUM HOURS**
4) **THESIS COMMITTEES**
5) **PROBATION - NO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
6) **CONCENTRATION ADMISSION DEADLINES**
7) **TRANSFER OF CREDIT REVISION**
8) **COURSE CURRENCY**
• Continued assistance needed in identifying new TAs and informing them about the mandatory training

• In-person training – F, Aug. 22nd
GA Assignments and ACA

- GA ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE LIMITED TO 29 HOURS (0.725 FTE)

- NO LIMIT ON MAXIMUM LIMIT HOURLY RATE

- ON ANOTHER NOTE: GAU CBA NEGOTIATIONS STARTING IN THE NEAR FUTURE
Ph.D. Completion

- The role of pre-eminence
- Renewed focus on PhD completion
  - Considering barriers to completion
  - Increasing the pipeline
- Developing increased professional development opportunities
Upcoming Brown Bags

See You in the Fall!

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