

Council Chair: Steve Permut (not in attendance)	
Policy/Fellowship Committee	EX OFFICIO (NON-VOTING)
Bahner, Ingrid - POLICY CHAIR	Dwayne Smith, Dean, OGS
Buck, Harleah	Paul Sanberg, VP, Research and Innovation
Cohen, Donna (not in attendance) - Sabbatical	Ruth Bahr, Assoc. Dean, OGS
Guldiken, Rasim	Shyam Mohapatra, Assoc. Dean, Pharmacy
Schaum, Brittany	Erin Sauer, Co-Pres, GAU (2017-2018)
Shaw, Lindsey (not in attendance)	Marcy Cockrell, Co-Pres GAU (2017-2018)
Seibel, Brad	
Wecker, Lynn	
Wheeler, Pat (not in attendance)	
White, Ashley	
Xue, Bin (not in attendance)	
TBA - PH	
TBA - TA	
Curriculum Committee	LIAISONS
Agosto, Vonzell - CURRICULUM CHAIR	Carol Hines-Cobb, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS
Dave, Vrushank	Joseph Butts, Assistant Director, Academics, OGS
Hallock-Muller, Pam	Brandis Waiz, OGS Course Liaison
Kirby, Russell, <i>Council Vice-Chair</i>	Toure Rider, In Ed - Grad Certificates
Lee, Sang-Hie (not in attendance)	Paul Crawford, Graduate Admissions
Martyn, Kevin (not in attendance)	Cynthia Brown Hernandez, System Academics
Plank, Richard	Michael Wrona, SACSCOC Liaison
Savachkin, Alex	Roger Brindley, AVP USF World
Taylor, Tomaro, <i>Council Secretary</i>	Cindy DeLuca - Innovative Education
TBA - AS	
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TBA - BC	

**JANUARY MINUTES**

- The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.
- Welcome  
 The Council Secretary informed attendees that she would be leading the meeting in the Chair's absence. The Secretary welcomed all attendees and opened the floor for introductions.
- Public Comment on Agenda Items  
 There was no public comment on agenda items.
- Approval of December 11, 2017 Minutes  
 The minutes were approved.
- Curriculum Action Item: Reactivation of the Ph.D. in Social Work  
 Dr. Sandra Fogel discussed changes that have occurred since the program's suspension. She also addressed questions about a needs survey (completed) and course curricula (changes will be submitted to the OGS). The motion to reactivate the Ph.D. in Social Work passed unanimously.
- Committee Reports  
 Policy Committee – Dr. Wecker presented the committee's report, which included approval of internal credits of no more than 50% and revised language regarding major professors. The committee is working towards a policy on video conferencing for Ph.D. defenses.  
  
 Curriculum Committee – Dr. Agosto presented the committee's report, which included an overview of approved, disapproved, and tabled proposals.  
  
 Policy and Curriculum Committee reports were approved unanimously.
- Dean's and Associate Dean's Reports  
 Dr. Bahr informed the Council that 16 Presidential Doctoral Fellowship applications were received by the January 15th deadline. Graduate Student Success and Delores Auzenne fellowships, due January 19th, will be processed next. Remaining fellowships will be processed after the February 15th deadline.  
  
 Dr. Bahr encouraged Council members and attendees to increase recruitment efforts, as admission rates have decreased by about 30% overall (domestic and international). The Web Reporting System team will be creating reports of non-degree seeking and certificate students to facilitate recruitment efforts. Discussion followed regarding national data trends and the economy's impact on college/university admissions. Dr. Bahr anticipates learning more about current trends at the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools.

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8. Chair's Report  
No report presented on the Chair's behalf.
9. New Business  
A question concerning the voting rights of graduate student Council members was raised. Dr. Bahr confirmed the students' ability to vote in Council.
10. The meeting adjourned at 1:37 PM.