Graduate Council (GC)  
March 29, 2018

Present: Professors Anstreicher, Banas, Fethke, Figdor, McLeod, Rakel, Varga, Wesely, Wurster; Graduate Students: Verniero, White; Grad College Personnel: Arbisi-Kelm, Campo, Danger, Larsen, Sparks.

Absent: Professors: Ganim, Quelle, Weiner, Xiao; Graduate Student: Faith, Woll; Graduate College Personnel: Keller, Teitle.

The meeting was called to order by Senior Associate Dean Sarah Larsen @ 8:16 AM.

1. Announcements and updates:
   a. The gradSERU survey went out 3/20/18. Even though the survey is active until May 25th, please encourage students to participate now. As a reminder, interval messages from multiple University offices continue to be distributed via email.
   b. Graduate Council members are invited to join the Graduate College External Advisory Board Thursday, April 12, 2018, at the Stanley Café in Hancher. Invitations were sent via Outlook calendar.
   c. Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation week is April 2-6th. This is the first year large scale programming has been provided on campus for this national recognition week.
   d. Open Doors will be held April 14, 2018, in the Main Library. Popular activities include speed networking activity and alumni panel discussions.
   e. Fellowships:
      i. Recruitment season is wrapping up. The numbers of our inaugural year offering Lulu Merle Johnson Fellowships cannot be tallied until after the April 15 Resolution.
      ii. Summer fellowship notifications will be going out next week.
      iii. Nominations for the Iowa Arts fellowships are due tomorrow (3/30/18).
   f. Commencement – apparel order deadline is quickly approaching (4/6/18). Faculty must register online to participate in the Graduate College doctoral commencement ceremony in Hancher Auditorium.
   g. Graduate Student Senate elections will be underway soon.
   h. Graduate students in School Psychology await an update from the College of Education and Graduate College regarding the program action proposal to close the program.

2. Minutes from the March 1, 2018, meeting were approved.

3. Senior Associate Dean Sarah Larsen led a continued discussion regarding the definition of graduate faculty status and graduate committee composition. Graduate Council provided feedback. Discussion will be continued at a future Graduate Council meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 AM.