

UD GRADUATE COLLEGE COMMITTEE

MEETING NOTES

Monday 2025/02/10

JHS

(1) Lou Report

- ~ updates.
- ~ total enrollment going down due to graduation but spring enrollment up
 - ~ domestic up
 - ~ international down
- ~ upper level admin meeting often concerning how to address federal actions
- ~ do your job the best way you can. Don't overcomply
- ~ faculty affairs has provided a toolkit on guidance for classroom activities

- ~ student centric guidance.
- ~ feel vulnerable. An express reviews wherever they want on campus
- ~ international students especially vulnerable. Visa concerns
- ~ trans students feel especially vulnerable
- ~ Student Life Student Advocacy and Support Group

Questions for Lou

- ~ what if funding stops. Meeting about that today
- ~ 1,143 students on federally funded projects as of today
- ~ what about TAs getting informed about this stuff?
- ~ can udel emails be subpoenaed?
- ~ graduate student funding concerning federal funding and/or threats. Email your chair
- ~ one faculty in the meeting has received a threat from the federal government concerning one of their awards
- ~ nothing targeting fellowship programs so far

(2) New Position. Associate Dean, Academic Affairs. Replacing Mary Martin's position.

- ~ Mary retired. Had a senior level staff position. Will not fill that position.
- ~ best served to have an associate dean of academic affairs
- ~ a job description has been drafted and feedback is being sought before posting. See attached.
- ~ why? Provide academic insights and leadership. 3rd faculty position in the graduate college rather than a staff position.
- ~ rethink operations. Move more to automation. Working more with registrars office.
- ~ vision. How to make things happen. Go to graduate college. Used to by Mary. Want to make the "forms website" a go to for all questions and forms.
- ~ trying to streamline things. Acceptance into a grad program for example.
- ~ grad college will have office hours in coming weeks to answer questions
- ~ students dismissal. Associate dean will be router for that. Office hours will work for this. Dismissal being streamlined right now.
- ~ email address for questions. gradstudentforms@udel.edu

(3) Grad Student Report

- ~ no report from caucus
- ~ GSG. Have made some new committees. One for graduate student research. One for housing. One for transportation. Some GSOs concerned about posting dates.

(4) Bylaws vote

- ~ grammar error had to be fixed. An "of" had to be omitted.

(5) Update on Committees

- ~ emails coming soon to take on assignments
- ~ email Naylor if want to be on a committee

(6) Priorities

- ~ in a shifting landscape
- ~ a couple of things to address.
- ~ budget changes. Not a function of the graduate college. But effects graduate education. Is this something our committee should bring up with higher admin?
- ~ members of this committee should meet with faculty in their department about what needs to change and should the graduate college push the upper administration. Budget model doesn't work for grad students and needs to change. Is your budget sufficient?
- ~ email Naylor about above item. A clarifying email will be coming this week.