

GAAC 10/15/12 Attending: Jayne Harvie, Tim Bartholemaus, John Eichelberger, Lara Horstmann, Mike Daku, Laura Bender, John Yarie, Vince Cee, Karen Jensen, Donie Bret-Harte, Libby, Elisabeth Nadin, Cheng-fu Chen

The minutes from last meeting were approved.

Lara gave us an update from the last Administrative Committee, which she attended because Donie was out of town. The Administrative Committee reviewed our motion on Master's degrees with theses or projects. Because it turns out that the Faculty Senate already passed a motion requiring central archival of projects (though the language has since disappeared from the catalog), the Admin Committee thought that we should drop the requirement for archival from our motion, and instead pass a resolution reaffirming the previous motion. Further, because master's degrees with thesis vs. project are already distinguished by the course number of the research credits, we should revise the motion to make more clear the distinction that is desired. Since prospective employers will not necessarily understand what the course numbers mean, what is needed is a distinction in the title of the degree on the transcript.

GAAC revised and then passed the motion on distinguishing between master's degrees with thesis vs. project.

We discussed all of the reviews that were in progress.

MS Geological Engineering program change. Overall this looked good, but it needs clarification on potential impacts with regard to numbers of students in mining 673, and a consideration of impacts on other resources. GAAC passed it pending addition of a statement on the impacts, which is currently missing.

ANTH Language and Prehistory: Vince identified a bunch of typos. The length of semester is not correct. Lara noticed that there is no language on policies, other than plagiarism. Vince has contacted the instructor, who is now at a different university. He will contact the Anthropology Department.

After discussion, GAAC passed the following items:

42-GPCh Program change: M.S. fisheries

1-Trial Biol F694 – Advanced Landscape Ecology

2-GPCh Program change M.S. – Marine Biology

3-GCCh Course change: Fish/Biol F650 – Fish Ecology

Readers were assigned for all of the items posted on the curriculum review page, other than the program eliminations. These assignments are given in a Table in the agenda for today, sent out to committee members separately. GAAC will wait for the ongoing discussion about the process for program eliminations to be resolved.