

GAAC 11/11/16

Attending: Roman Makarevich, Daryl Farmer, Don Hampton, Mike Daku, Mitch Reed, Mike Castellini, Laura Bender, Sean McGee, Donie Bret-Harte, Jayne Harvie, Karen Jensen (by zoom) and Holly (by zoom)

**I. Minutes** from our meeting of 10/21/16 were approved with one correction.

**II.** Donie informed GAAC that our motion on 698 credits passed the full Senate.

**III. Updates from Graduate School:** Mike Castellini let us know that the decision to consolidate the Schools of Education across the three UA campuses will have implications for the UAF Graduate School, but it is not clear yet what those implications will be. It is not yet clear whether UAF's graduate school will be responsible for graduate students in the School of Education who are located in Anchorage or not. Mike also noted that Strategic Pathways will impact UAF graduate school, even though not it has not been called out specifically. There will be more discussions to come. Mike noted that the tuition hike that is proposed will be 5% across the board, but the surcharge for foreign graduate students will be higher. However, nothing is official yet. The U.S. Presidential Election results are likely to impact the affordable care act, and therefore graduate student health care. The federal government had ruled that schools can supplement health care costs through ACA, and the UAF Graduate School was planning to do that, but if the ACA market ceases to exist, this won't be an option. However, graduate student health insurance rates are locked in for this year. Right now there is nothing that we can do until the situation is clarified.

**IV. Updates on current courses:** GAAC passes the following program changes, course changes and course drops:

Carryforward: **28-GCCh.:** Course Compression (Stacked): [LING F631 - Field Methods in Descriptive Linguistics I](#)

**4-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [NRM / BIOL F676 - Interdisciplinary Modeling of High Latitude Global Change](#)

**5-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS F602 - Software Project Management](#)

**6-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS F651 - The Theory of Computation](#)

**7-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS / SWE F670 - Computer Science for Software Engineers](#)

**8-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS / SWE F672 - Software Process Improvement](#)

**9-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS / SWE F673 - Software Requirements Engineering](#)

**10-GCDr.:** Course Drop: [CS / SWE F674 - Software Architecture](#)

**12-GCCh.:** Course Change / Stacking: [BIOL F615 - Systematic and Comparative Biology](#)

**19-GPCh.:** Program Change: [M.Ed. - Master of Education](#), was passed provisionally, pending cleaning up the catalog description

**22-GPCh.:** Program Change: [M.Ed. - Master of Education in Counseling](#)

**23-GPCh.:** Program Change: [School Counselor Certification Program](#)

**26-GNC:** New Course: [COUN F651 - Counseling for Addictions](#)

Other assignments under review were discussed.

**V. New assignments** were made.

**VI. Our next meeting** will be Friday Dec 2 at 1 pm.