MINUTES Graduate Studies Committee February 7, 2024

Present: Registrar Rosario; Deputy Director Takiyah Ali; Professors Bamshad-Alavi, DeSimone, McGovern, Samuel, Seiger-Gardner, and Wang

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m.
- 2) The committee approved the minutes from the meeting on Dec 6, 2023.
- 3) The committee discussed and approved proposals from the following departments and decided to send them to the Senate for final approval:

Exercise Science and Recreation

- Change in electives: M.S., Human Performance and Fitness.
- New program: PhD in Human Performance and Fitness.

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

• Removal of Pass/Fail Grade Option: EDE 756, EDC 795

Social Work

- Deactivation of subplan SW3YR in M.S.W
- 4) Graduate Studies approved two Informational Items from the following departments:
 - Speech Language Hearing Sciences: Experimental courses SPE 773, SPE 774
 - Counseling, Leadership, Literacy and Special Ed: Although an academic fee was included in the original program proposal when first approved by Lehman, CUNY BoT and NYSED, CUNY has requested that Lehman go through the approval process again. Graduate studies voted to approve it and move it forward for review by CUNY, while highlighting the following:
 - Considering the Lehman College encourages development of doctoral programs, the committee discussed the need for the college to explore avenues such as Research and/or Teaching Assistantship to support doctoral students, as well as lay aside an annual budget for approved doctoral programs. The Office of Institutional Advancement could explore opportunities to assist programs that have approved doctoral programs in raising funds to support student research and scholarship.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Lalitha Samuel

Respectfully submitted,

Lalitha Samuel, Chair (Acting)