MINUTES Graduate Studies Committee November 2, 2022

Present: Registrar Rosario; Deputy Director Ali; Professors Bamshad-Alavi, DeSimone, McElligott, McGovern, Samuel and Seiger-Gardner; Student Representatives MacDonna and Seeram

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m.
- 2) The committee approved the minutes from the meeting on September 28, 2022.
- 3) The committee welcomed the following new student members: Patricia MacDonna and Selina Seeram. Graduate Studies is thrilled to have them join the team and encouraged their input! The committee reviewed processes and procedures for the new members.
- 4) The committee also is thrilled to have been informed that Registrar Yvette Rosario has been assigned as the administrative representative to this committee. Her expertise and guidance are critical! The committee extends its appreciation to President Delgado for this assignment.
- 5) The committee discussed and approved proposals from the following departments and decided to send them to the senate for final approval:

Department of Languages and Literatures

• New course: SPA 766

Department of Management & Business Innovation

• Course withdrawals: MSB 740 and 741

Department of Finance, Information Systems and Economics

• Course withdrawals: ECO 710, 711, 720, 730, 740, 765

• Course withdrawals: MSB 768

• Course withdrawals: ECO 1000, 3000, 4000, 5000

Department of Journalism and Media Studies

• Course withdrawals: COM 770 and 772

Department of Counseling, Leadership, Literacy and Special Education

- Addition of bulletin description for new program: M.S., Counselor Education: Clinical Mental Health
- New courses: EDG 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761
- 6) The committee also reviewed and discussed revisions of the proposal from the Department of Health Equity, Administration & Technology for a new program:

- M.S., Health Services Administration. The committee approves sending this proposal to the senate pending additional revisions and final budget.
- 7) The committee also discussed the issue of fostering more collaboration across departments and disciplines. For example, members debated the pros/cons of asking departments to be more intentional about sharing courses that are very similar in content and discipline rather than departments continuing to propose new courses. Also, members discussed if there was a need for encouraging departments to focus on interdisciplinary education for students. The committee established some action plans for exploring this issue more.
- 8) Members took a first look at the bylaws for this committee. In the essence of time, members were asked to review these items more closely and be prepared to discuss at greater length at our December meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet R. DeSimone, Chair