

16 January 2025

TO: Graduate Studies Council: Upul Attanayake, Louann Bierlein Palmer, Christine Byrd-Jacobs, Carrie Cumming, Lisa DeChano-Cook, Jose Embil Jr., Jennifer Fiore, Jocelyn Medina, Regina Garza Mitchell, Lori Gray, Chansheng He, Cindy Linn, Dianna Sachs, Larry Simon
Ex Officio: David Szabla
Guest: Diana Berkshire Hearit, M.A. – Graduate Award Specialist
FROM: Marcel Zondag, Chair

Graduate Studies Council

AGENDA

Thursday, 23 January 2025, 3 to 5 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Graduate Studies Council – 12 December 2024
4. **New Business**
 - a. Process Overview for Graduate Awards – Berkshire Hearit
 - b. Accelerated Degree (MIDA) in International Development Administration – Incorrectly Filed as a New Undergraduate Program – Zondag
 - c. Graduate Conversions to Program: Proposed to Vote on as One Group – Zondag
 - i. Master of Science in Finance (FINM, FSMM, FFPM, FDAM)
 - ii. PhD in Educational Leadership: Higher Education Leadership (ELHD)
 - d. “Masters en Route” – Byrd-Jacobs/ DeChano-Cook
5. **Reports of Officers**
 - a. Chair Report – Zondag
 - b. Ex Officio Report – Szabla
6. **Reports of University Representatives**
 - a. Graduate College Dean – Byrd-Jacobs
 - b. Curriculum Manager – DeChano-Cook
 - c. Graduate Student Association – Embil Jr./Medina
7. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. Proposed Language for Memorandum of Action on Establishment of Credit Transfer Policy for Graduate Certificates – Byrd-Jacobs/Zondag
8. **Announcement**
9. **Adjournment**

COUNCILS ONLY: Elected members who cannot attend the meeting are asked to send a substitute of their choice who also represents their respective college. Non-elected members are not restricted as to whom they may designate to substitute for them.