MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Nicole Stedman (Chair), Dr. Monika Ardelt, Dr. Linda Bloom, Dr. J.C. Bunch, Dr. James Essegibey, Dr. Hitomi Greenslet, Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Dr. Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox, Dr. Corene Matyas, Dr. Timothy Murtha, Dr. K. Ramesh Reddy, Paul C. Wassel III (GSC representative), and Alexander Wong (GSC alternate)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Aner Sela and Dr. Marta Wayne

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Christine Angelini (College of Engineering), Dr. Mike Annable (College of Engineering), Dr. Jennifer Bridge (College of Engineering), Robyn Edwards (College of Medicine), Anghelo Gangano (Graduate Student Council), Dr. Christina Gardner-McCune (College of Engineering), Dr. Paul Gulig (College of Medicine), Dr. Maria Leite (Academic Affairs), Dr. Connie Mulligan (College of Medicine), Dr. Johnathan Orsini (Office of the Provost/Distance Learning), Dr. Tom Rowe (College of Medicine), Dr. Kenneth Sassaman (College of Liberal Arts and Sciences), Dr. Tobin Shorey (Undergraduate Curriculum Committee), Dr. Shinichi Someya (College of Medicine), Dr. Cyntrice Thomas (College of Health and Human Performance), and Dr. Patrick Chris Wilson (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences)

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Tom Kelleher, Megan Lewis, Frankie Tai (Recording), and Patty Van Wert

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Dr. Kelleher welcomed everyone to this month’s meeting of the Graduate Council and gave a brief summary of the pending proposals to be presented to the Council.

1. **ACTION ITEMS:**

   1. Minutes from the March 23, 2023 Graduate Council Meeting. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

**CERTIFICATES:**

1. The College of Engineering seeks to create a graduate certificate in Artificial Intelligence (#17877). Dr. Christina Gardner-McCune was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2023.

2. The College of Engineering seeks to create a graduate certificate in Civil Infrastructure Assessment (#17940). Dr. Jennifer Bridge will be present for discussion was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.
3. The College of Engineering seeks to create a graduate certificate in Coastal Engineering and Management (#17930). Dr. Mike Annable was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2023.

4. The College of Engineering seeks to create a graduate certificate in Coastal Resilience Engineering (#17943). Dr. Mike Annable was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

5. The College of Engineering seeks to create a graduate certificate in Fundamental Computer Science (#17786). Dr. Christina Gardner-McCune was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2023.

6. The College of Medicine seeks to modify the curriculum for the graduate certificate in Medical Microbiology (#18347). Dr. Paul Gulig was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of summer 2023.

CONCENTRATION:

7. The College of Medicine seeks to rename the graduate concentration in Physiology and Functional Genomics to Physiology and Ageing (#18391). Dr. Tom Rowe, Dr. Shinichi Someya and Ms. Robyn Edwards were present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of summer 2023.

MAJORS:

8. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to modify the curriculum for the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Interdisciplinary Ecology (non-thesis) (#18183). Dr. Ramesh Reddy was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

9. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to modify the curriculum for the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Interdisciplinary Ecology (thesis) (#18215). Dr. Ramesh Reddy was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

10. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to modify the curriculum for the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) with a major in Interdisciplinary Ecology (#18207). Dr. Ramesh Reddy was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

11. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to modify the title of the major for the Master of Science (M.S.) degree from a major in “Soil and Water Sciences” to a major in “Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences” (#18074). Dr. Patrick Chris Wilson was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

12. The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences seeks to modify the title of the major for the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree from a major in “Soil and Water Sciences” to a major in “Soil, Water, and Ecosystem Sciences” (#18075). Dr. Patrick Chris Wilson was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.
DEGREE:

13. The College of Medicine seeks to create a graduate degree for the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Genetics and Genomics (#18061). Dr. Connie Mulligan was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2023.

COMBINATION DEGREES:

14. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences seeks to create a combination degree program between the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree with a major in Anthropology and the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree with a major in Anthropology (#17438). Dr. Kenneth Sassaman was present for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of fall 2023.

15. The College of Health and Human Performance and the Levin College of Law seeks to create a combination degree program between the Master of Science (M.S.) with a major in Sport Management and the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree (#17244). Dr. Cyntrice Thomas was present (via Zoom) for discussion. A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, with a proposed effective date of earliest available.

II. INFORMATION ITEM / ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:

17. Graduate Curriculum Committee – March Minutes and April Agenda.

18. Update on the Graduate Council election 2023-2026
   The two members selected by the Graduate Council are Dr. Connie Mulligan and Dr. Michael Martinez. The provost will determine the other two selections.

19. Graduate Programs – Distance or Self-Funded – No new items

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

20. In-residence policy for Ph.D.
   The current statement listed in the Graduate Catalog for “Campus Residence Requirement” was reviewed. Council members were asked to consider revisions to the language for consistency with practice. Amended language may be proposed as action item at May meeting.

21. Chat GPT
   Discussed the Student Honor Code policy regarding “cheating”

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.