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## Graduate Council

### Annual Report of the Graduate Council 2006-07

To: Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
 Date: July 24, 2007  
 From: Hal Koenig, Chair, Graduate Council  
 RE: Graduate Council Annual Report for 2006-07

The Graduate Council (GC) examined a number of Category I applications this year. The year began with the proposals from Economics and Applied Economics: while the GC saw merit in both of these proposals, the Council was dismayed by the amount of overlap in the curriculum proposed. This information was provided to the Provost and in combination with the report from Budgets & Fiscal Planning, he decided to not move the proposals forward. Associate Dean Rettig was then given the job to oversee creating a "compromise" program.

Medical Physics brought a Category I proposal to the GC that was developed with OHSU. After discussion over two meetings and additional information from the department, this proposal was approved. Three Category I proposals were brought to the GC from Engineering – these proposals were approved by the GC and created the School of Chemical, Biological and Environmental Engineering, the School of Civil and Construction Engineering, and the School of Mechanical, Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering.

A Category II proposal creating a graduate minor in Ecosystem Informatics was approved. As part of this minor, two new courses, GEO 543 and 547, were approved. Two Economics classes, 570 and 571, were discussed by the GC and approved as part of the unified economics program. Many other Category II changes in courses (e.g., name changes, prerequisite changes, etc.) were handled by the Category II Subcommittee comprised of three GC members.

Six graduate program reviews were heard this year at GC meeting and included reviews of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Genetics, Fisheries and Wildlife, Horticulture, History of Science and Materials Science. Five three-year graduate program follow-up reviews were conducted this year and included Civil Engineering, Wood Science & Engineering, Human Development & Family Studies (HDFS), College Student Service Administration (CSSA), and Adult Education.

In addition to the Council business noted above, the GC reviewed seven IGERT proposals and narrowed the field to four. Principle investigators for these proposals were then instructed to develop full proposals for submittal to NSF. Most of the GC members also served on committees to review and select graduate scholarship or fellowship (e.g., Bayley and Yerex fellowships) recipients.

### 2006-07 Graduate Council Membership

Hal Koenig '07, Chair	Business
Theresa Filtz '07	Pharmacy
Linda Blythe (v. Rockey) '07	Veterinary Medicine
Michael Unsworth '07	Oceanic & Atmospheric Sciences
Theo Dreher (v. Gitelman) '08	Science
Rod Harter '08	Health and Human Sciences
Tom McLain '08	Forestry
Tom Wolpert (v. Proebsting) '08	Agricultural Sciences
Shawna Grosskopf '09	Liberal Arts
Prasad Tadepalli (v. Jovanovic) '07	Engineering
Darlene Russ-Eft '09	Education