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TO: Dr. Adrienne Freng, Chair, University of Wyoming Faculty Senate  
FROM: University of Wyoming Graduate Council  
SUBJECT: Academic Year 2021-2022 Report

Dear Chair Freng,

Throughout the 2021-22 academic year, the University of Wyoming Graduate Council completed the following tasks as aligned with the functions and powers delegated to the Graduate Council by virtue of UW Regulation 2-302 outlined below:

Functions: *“The Council shall recommend the broad policies concerning the overall University function in graduate education and the University requirements for graduate degrees. It shall advise the Faculty Senate on any proposed changes in UW Regulations which would affect graduate programs.”*

Powers: *“The Council shall advise on the formulation and review of regulations concerned with graduate education. It shall review proposals and make recommendations to the Provost and the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs concerning new graduate programs, substantive changes in existing graduate programs, implementation of changes in graduate programs recommended through program reviews, and deletion of graduate programs.”*

The following academic program proposals were reviewed and approved:

- Graduate Certificate Program in Community and Public Health (*approved 11 February 2022*)
- 3+3 QuickStart Program, School of Energy Resources and College of Law (*approved 11 April 2022*)

The following award applications were reviewed, with assessment results provided to the Office of Graduate Education:

- Under-Represented Domestic Minority Graduate Assistantships [19 proposals]
- Women in Graduate Education Graduate Assistantships [13 proposals]
- Graduate Awards (Distinguished Graduate Faculty Mentor Award [5 nominees], Mid-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award [7 nominees], Early-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award [4 nominees], John P. Ellbogen Outstanding Graduate Assistant Teaching Awards [7 nominees], Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award [5 nominees], Outstanding Dissertation Award [5 nominees])

Reports from the Graduate Council were provided to Associate Vice President Jim Ahern regarding the following topics:

- Alternative Track Admissions at UW (*approved 19 November 2021*)
- Modifications to the Graduate Awards, particularly the creation of the Mid-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award and Early-Career Graduate Faculty Award (*approved 01 December 2021*)
- Request for Authorization, University of Wyoming School of Graduate Education (*approved 11 April 2022*)



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A report from the Graduate Council was provided to the Faculty Senate on the following topics:

- UW Regulation 2-13 Program Reviews proposed by Provost Kevin Carman on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A total of 12 degrees were reviewed for *program reorganization* and another 11 degrees were reviewed for *degree discontinuance*. (Report to Faculty Senate dated 22 October 2021)
- Creation of a School of Computing at UW (Report to Faculty Senate dated on 06 December 2021)

Finally, in conjunction with the University of Wyoming Graduate Student Appeals Policy, the Graduate Student Appeals Board was convened in Spring 2022 for the purpose of reviewing one appeal.

Please note that at the time of this report, the Graduate Council still has two meetings remaining in the 2021-22 academic year. As such, tasks completed subsequent to the provision of this document will be included in the 2022-23 academic year report.

I would like to sincerely thank the following members of the Graduate Council for their efforts: Saman Aryana, Chaley Dimoff, Alison Doherty, Andrew Garner, Anne Guzzo, Elliott Hulley, Eric Johnson, John Kambutu, Daniel Levy, Barbara Logan, Jennifer Malmberg, Kam Ng, Debora Person, Linda Price, Jenna Shim, Crystal Sieger, Rashmi Thapa, and Arielle Zibrak. I appreciate the time and energy this wonderful group of colleagues have invested in graduate education at the University of Wyoming, and I wish Kam Ng good fortune in serving as Chair in 2022-23.

Sincerely,

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