

The GPSEPC met on 11/17/08 from 3:30-5:00pm. In attendance were Rebecca Proehl, Jeanne Foster, Andy Williams, Jerry Brunetti, Margaret Brown-Salazar, and Steve Miller.

We discussed the following

1. **Intolerance Protocol document**- the members agreed that it is inappropriate for grad students report acts of intolerance to the Dean of Students as the document states. For a multitude of reasons, it would be a mistake to assume that graduate students are familiar with particular administrative positions such as Dean of Students. A better protocol would be to report acts of intolerance to their program coordinator. This suggestion has been passed on to the Senate and committee members will seek additional input from faculty in their respective schools and report back at our next meeting.
2. **Course evaluation forms**—Rebecca and Jeanne did gather feedback from faculty in their respective schools and Rebecca is in the process of gathering a bit more information about graduate faculty concerns about the form in its current state. She will seek feedback from the graduate business faculty before forwarding our suggestions to the committee on teaching and scholarship.
3. **Proquest**—We have agreed to make the recommendation to the Senate for all dissertations to be submitted to Proquest. Steve Miller will draft the language for the recommendation. We also agreed that Master's theses should be submitted to Proquest but will wait to hear more feedback from SOE faculty. In addition, we will seek more input from graduate faculty as to the advantages of using Proquest for other non-thesis related final projects (synthesis projects, action research, etc...) We will continue to discuss this in our next meeting after we have spoken to more graduate program directors in SOLA and SOE.
4. **Graduate Bulletin**—due to time constraints, we were not able to prioritize the list of graduate program policies to work on during the semester but we did discuss the importance of committee members participating in an ad-hoc committee chaired by Dean Chris Sindt that will work on the Graduate Bulletin through the Spring Semester. Committee members will either volunteer or seek graduate faculty who might want to work on the committee.
5. **Fast-track guidelines**—We briefly reviewed the guidelines (last updated in 2003) and noticed parts of the document that need revision, mainly due to the abolishment of the EPB. The committee members agreed to review the document and we plan to revise the document during our next meeting.
6. **Preliminary discussion of discontinuation of GLS**- A proposal to discontinue the GLS program was distributed and discussed along with the guidelines to discontinue programs. It became readily apparent that the guidelines were somewhat vague as to how to proceed with the process and what specific criteria the committee should use to make the formal recommendation to the Senate with respect to

determination after meeting with the appropriate parties. We agreed that we would discuss this during our next meeting on December 8th, 2008 at 3pm.