4.8 UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE COUNCIL STUDIES

4.8.1. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall have a faculty member from each college with a graduate or graduate-professional degree program plus one additional member from the Colleges of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Arts and Letters, Business, Education, Natural Science, and Social Science. The committee shall have five graduate student members selected by the Council of Graduate Students. No more than one student may be from any one department, with consideration being given to University-wide representation, insofar as possible. The Dean of the Graduate School or a designee shall be a member with voice but no vote. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will be elected by the membership at its first business meeting at the beginning of Fall Semester.

4.8.1.1. The University Committee on Graduate Studies will report primarily to the University Council. An exception can occur when the committee deals with issues that relate to establishment, disbandment, or merger of graduate or graduate-professional academic programs. In such cases the Committee will report to Faculty Senate.

4.8.2. In addition to the chairperson, who will serve on The Steering Committee and thus also on University Council, Faculty Senate, and one additional member of the committee shall be designated as a voting member of Academic-University Council. One of the graduate student members of the University Committee on Graduate Studies shall be selected to serve on The Steering Committee.

4.8.3. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall exercise the faculty's delegated authority on grading policy for graduate and graduate-professional students and shall review all changes in graduate and graduate-professional courses, curricula, and degree requirements proposed by academic units and recommend their approval or rejection to the University Committee on Curriculum.

4.8.4. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall have shared responsibility with the Dean of The Graduate School to consult with the Provost on the establishment, disbandment, and merger of graduate programs, on policy pertaining to methods of instruction, evaluation of instruction, advising and counseling, admissions and retention of graduate and graduate-professional students, and on other policy pertaining to administration of graduate and graduate-professional programs.
4.8.5. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall have shared responsibility with the Dean of The Graduate School to advise the Provost on the coordination of graduate and graduate-professional programs.

4.8.6. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall have shared responsibility with the Dean of The Graduate School to consult with the Provost on policy pertaining to financial aid and employment of graduate students and on the use and distribution of educational and research resources for graduate and graduate-professional programs and students.

4.8.7. The University Committee on Graduate Council Studies shall advise and consult with the Dean of The Graduate School and the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies on policy relating to research development as it pertains to graduate- and graduate professional education.

4.8.8. The University Committee on Graduate Studies Council shall maintain liaison with academic units offering graduate and graduate professional programs.

4.8.9. The University Committee on Graduate Studies Council shall maintain liaison with the Council of Graduate Students.

4.8.10. The University Committee on Graduate Studies Council shall coordinate its activities with those of the University Committee on Curriculum, the University Committee on Undergraduate Academic Policy, or other appropriate Academic-University-level Council Standing Committees.