ANNUAL REPORT

Committee Name: University Graduate Council

Chairperson: Julie Funk

Meetings Held (Dates):
    September 13
    October 11
    November 8
    December 13
    January 10
    February 7
    March 14
    April 11

1. Give a brief description of committee activities and/or issues discussed and actions taken/recommendations made and to whom.

NEW PROGRAM REQUESTS (All approved):

*Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Public Health in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)

*Request for a New Graduate Certificate in International Public Health in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)

*Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Public Health Administration in the College of Human Medicine. (Approved)

*Request for a New Graduate Certificate in Conservation Law in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife. (Approved)

*Request for a New Linked Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science (General) and Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy in the Department of Political Science. (Approved)

*Request for a New Linked Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics and Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy in the Department of Political Science

DELETE CURRICULUM AND/OR DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (All approved):

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the Deaf Education Area of Emphasis in the Master of Arts degree in Special Education in the Department of Counseling Educational Psychology and Special Education.

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements in the Master of Arts degree in Marriage
and Family Therapy in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies.

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements in the Master of Arts degree in Family Studies in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies.

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements in the Master of Science degree in Computational Chemistry in the Department of Chemistry.

**PHASE OUT (All approved):**

*Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Graduate Specialization in Public Health College of Human Medicine.

*Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Master of Science Degree in Industrial Microbiology in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics.

**MORATORIUM (All approved)**

*Request for a Moratorium on admission to the MA Degree in Interior Design and Facilities Management

*Request for a Moratorium on Admission to the Graduate Specialization in Applied Developmental Science.

*Request for a Moratorium on Admission to the Graduate Specialization in Food and Agricultural Standards.

*Request for a Moratorium on admission to the Graduate Specialization in Security Management in the Department of Criminal Justice.

**ESTABLISH (All approved)**

* Request to establish a Master of Science degree in Marketing Research in the Department of Marketing in the Eli Broad College of Business and Graduate School of Management.

* Request to establish a Graduate Certificate program in Urban Education in the Department of Educational Administration

*Request to establish a Master of Arts degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science in the biomedical Laboratory diagnostics Program.

*Request to establish a linked Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degree in Communication in the Department of Communication.
*Request to establish a **Graduate Specialization in Literacy and Language Instruction** in the Department of Teacher Education.

*Request to establish a Linked **Bachelor of Science Degree in computer Engineering** and **Master of Science Degree in Computer Science** in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.

*Request to establish a Linked **Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering** and **Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering** in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

*Request to establish a **Graduate Certificate** program in **Science Education** in the Department of Teacher Education. **Approved, with a recommendation that eligibility for the certificate could be expanded to qualified students from other colleges in addition to those named in the request.**

*Request to establish a **Dual Degree Program: Bachelor of Landscape Architecture in Landscape Architecture and Master of Arts Environmental Design.**

*Request to establish a Linked **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Policy** and **Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy** in the Department of Political Science.

*Request to establish a Linked **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science-Prelaw** and **Master of Public Policy Degree in Public Policy** in the Department of Political Science.

**CHANGE: (All approved)**

*Request to Change the Requirements for the **Graduate Specialization in Animal Studies: Social Science and Humanities Perspective** in the Department of Sociology.

* Request to change the requirements of the dual major in **Quantitative Biology** in the College of Natural Science

* Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science** degree in the **Supply Chain Management** Department

* Request to change the requirements in the **Master of Science** degree in **Neuroscience** in the College of Natural Science

* Request to change the requirements in the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Neuroscience** in the College of Natural Science

*Request to change the requirements for the **Graduate Specialization in Fish and Wildlife Disease Ecology and Conservation Medicine** in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.

*Request to change the name of the **Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender** in the Program in Women, Gender and Social Justice from Women and Gender to Women’s and Gender Studies
*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Communicative Sciences and Disorders in the Department of Communicative Sciences and Disorders.

*Request to change the requirements in the Master of Arts degree in German Studies in the Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages.

*Request to change the requirements in the Doctor of Philosophy degree in German Studies in the Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Rehabilitation Counseling in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Teaching and Curriculum in the Department of Teacher Education.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Composition in the College of Music.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Education in the College of Music.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Piano Pedagogy in the College of Music.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Performance in the College of Music. (one vote opposed)

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Music degree in Music Conducting in the College of Music. (one vote opposed)

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Advertising in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations and Retailing.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Journalism I the School of Journalism.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Public Relations in the Department of Advertising, Public Relations and Retailing.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Communication in the Department of Communication.

*Request to change the name of the Master of Arts degree in Education for the Health Professions in the College of Education from Education for the Health Professions to Health Professions Education.

*Request to change the Graduation Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Statistics in the Department of Statistics and Probability.
*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts** degree in **Sociology** in the Department of Sociology.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Sociology** in the Department of Sociology.

*Request to establish a **Graduate Certificate** program in **Science Education** in the Department of Teacher Education. Approved, with a recommendation that eligibility for the certificate could be expanded to qualified students from other colleges in addition to those named in the request.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Mathematics Education** in the College of Natural Science.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science** degree in **Mathematics Education** in the College of Natural Science.

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements in the **Master of Arts** degree in **Marriage and Family Therapy** in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Human Development and Family Studies** in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science** degree in **Human Development and Family Studies** in the Department and Family Studies.

*Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements in the **Master of Arts** degree in **Family Studies** in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science** degree in **Kinesiology** in the Department of Kinesiology.

*Request to change the name of the **Master of Arts** degree in **Child Development** in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies from **Master of Arts** degree in **Child Development** to **Master of Science** degree in Child Development.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Criminal Justice** in the School of Criminal Justice.

* Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Arts** degree in **Sociology** in the Department of Sociology.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Sociology** in the Department of Sociology.

*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Mathematics Education** in the College of Natural Science.

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REQUESTS FOR ADVICE (Advise given to Provost Wilcox):

*A proposal to establish new departments in the College of Human Medicine

*The proposed new Institutional Data Policy.

*Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Mathematics Education in the College of Natural Science.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Mathematics Education in the College of Natural Science.

*Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Human Development and Family Studies in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Kinesiology in the Department of Kinesiology.

*Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Criminal Justice in the School of Criminal Justice.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Human Development and Family Studies in the Department and Family Studies.

*Request to change the name of the Master of Arts degree in Child Development in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies from Master of Arts degree in Child Development to Master of Science degree in Child Development.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Laws Programs, the LL.M. and M.J. in Intellectual Property and Communications Law in the Michigan State University College of Law.

*Request to change the name of the Master of Laws LL.M degree in the American Legal System in the Michigan State University College of Law from American Legal System to Foreign Educated Lawyers. Approved with suggestion that name be clarified (“For” Foreign Educated Lawyers rather than “In”)

*Request to change the requirements for the Juris Doctor in the Michigan State University College of Law.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Environmental Design in the School of Planning, Design and Construction. Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Health and Risk Communication in the College of Communication Arts and Sciences.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Science degree in Pharmacology and Toxicology in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology.

*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages in the Department of Linguistics and Germanics, Slavic, Asian and African Languages.

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2. **Comment on matters pending before the committee and matters which should be considered in 2011-2012.** There are no action items pending for the University Graduate Council. Continued communication with the Steering Committee appointed task forces regarding 1) Evaluation of a University Research Organization and 2) the Integrity of the Assessment process are important issues for the committee to be kept abreast of during the 2011-2012 academic year.

3. **Comment on problems and/or issues that have made the work of the committee more difficult.** Since the UGC meets once monthly, there are some limitations for time lines to return reports and comments back to the Steering Committee. The less frequent meeting schedule needs to be considered when requesting response from the UGC.

4. **Please make any suggestions about how the academic governance system might be modified to improve the committee’s work. Generally, the process of academic governance has been efficient for the 2011-2012 year.** The UGC runs very efficiently, which is mostly a testament to the Dean of the Graduate School, the Graduate School staff, and dedicated committee members with a passion for graduate education. The committee has appreciated the opportunity to serve and make comments on academic policy issues critical to graduate education.