Fall 2020 Grad Coordinator Meeting

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Temporary Policy Modifications

See gradschool.uoregon.edu/temporary_changes

- Grading Options

- Petition Fees Waived

- Approval Signatures

- Dissertation Defenses

- Options for Delayed Graduation Timelines

- 7-year Extension Process

Grading Options

- Deadline to change grading option extended:

TERM	EXTENDED DEADLINE
Spring 2020	July 16, 2020
Summer 2020	October 16, 2020
Fall 2020	January 16, 2021

- Option to change grading option available for all graded only and grade optional courses

- P/NP courses can count toward GS 24 graded credit requirement

- Instructors shall record letter grades for all courses

- Depts are asked to waive requirements that:
    - limit how P/N courses count toward the major
    - require specific grades for courses that count toward the major
    - serve as prerequisites for other courses

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Modified Approval/Signature Process

In General:

- Email approvals from a UO email address will be accepted in lieu of signatures.

- Whenever possible, the signer should forward the form as an attachment with a brief statement of approval.

- If the signer is not able to include the attachment, the approval statement should describe what it is they are approving and the name of the student, e.g., "I approve of the petition to waive final term registration for John Smith"

Further details at: gradschool.uoregon.edu/covid-19-revised-procedures

Delayed Graduation Due to COVID-19

- Students whose graduation timelines have been affected by COVID-19 (e.g., dissertation defense date postponed, data collection delayed, finishing incompletes etc.) may petition for a waiver of registration in their final term even if they typically would be required to register.

- Use General Petition form

- Only for students who do not require any additional credits to meet degree requirements

- Not available to GEs

Graduation Reminders

Master's Graduation Process

Applications for Advanced Degree	
Priority Deadline	**Final deadline w/dept override**
Friday of week 2	Friday of week 7*

*after this date, students can petition using the General Petition form

Other Deadlines	
Thesis/Dissertation Turn-in	**Master's Statements of Completion**
Monday, December 7th	Monday, Dec. 21st

- Full ETD submission instructions at gradschool.uoregon.edu/academics/thesis-dissertation/etd-submission
- Do not send statements until all department requirements have been met (grades, copy of final project received by office, etc.)
- Deadlines: gradschool.uoregon.edu/academics/completing-degree

Doctoral Graduation Process (modified)

Deadlines and Approvals			
What	**Why**	**How**	**When it's due**
Application for defense	Sets date, time, room, confirms committee has agreed	• Student submits in GradWeb • Committee approves online • GC sends PDF to GS	3 weeks before defense date
Certificate of Completion ~~aka~~ ~~"The Tan Sheet"~~	Confirms successful defense; entrusts any remaining revisions to committee chair	• GS emails instructions 2-3 days before defense • Each committee member sends an approval email to GS after successful defense	2 weeks after defense
Thesis/ Dissertation Approval Form	Confirms all revisions have been made and chair approves final draft	• Student fills out PDF, emails to chair • Chair forwards to GS with statement of approval	Monday of finals week Fall: Dec. 7th
Dissertation	Final requirement for doctoral degree	• Student uploads to ProQuest • GS reviews format, notifies student of any required corrections • Student revises and resubmits • GS approves and submits to ProQuest for publication	Monday of finals week Fall: Dec. 7th

Deadlines: gradschool.uoregon.edu/academics/completing-degree

Current Student Awards & Scholarships

https://gradschool.uoregon.edu/fellowships

- Most deadlines are Feb. 15th
- Apply through UO Scholarship Dashboard
- Some require dept. nomination
- Dissertation fellowships status is TBD

Special Opps Award

- Up to $500 for travel*/research
- Deadline Wed. of week 8 each term

New! Virtual Opps Award

- Up to $250 to attend virtual conferences/events
- Deadline 2 weeks prior to event

*Travel must comply with current UO travel restrictions

Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives

Advisory Committees

The Graduate School formed a two-tier structure of students and academic faculty.

Purpose: Support and assess the progress of the initiatives that integrate anti-oppression measures into graduate education.

Graduate School Diversity Advisory Committees
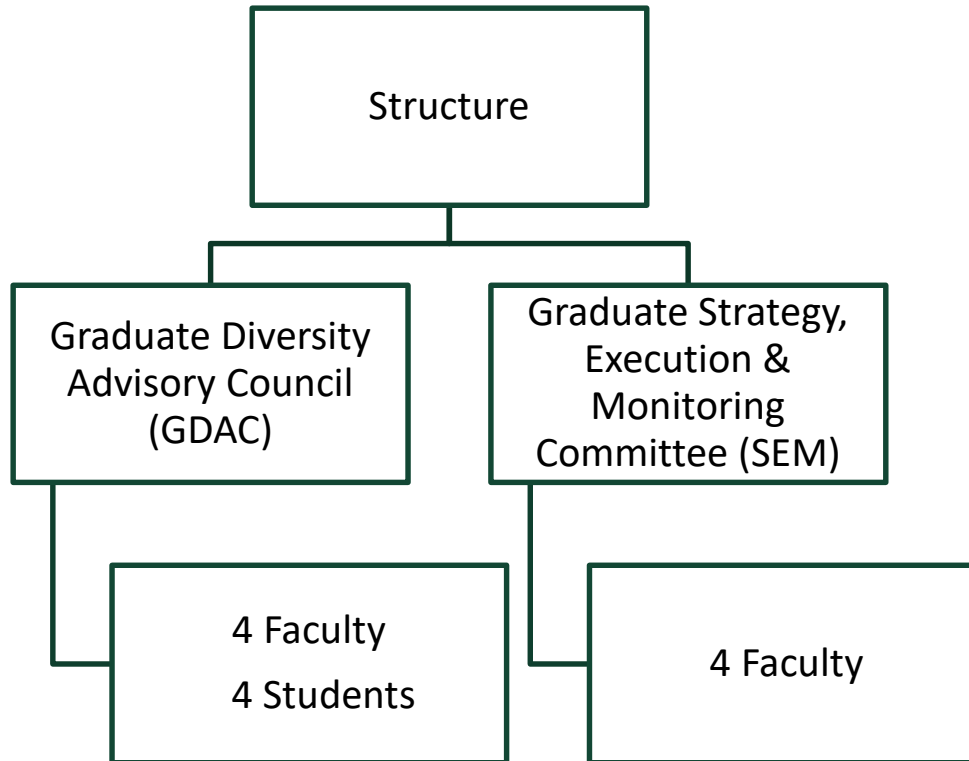
The Graduate Diversity Advisory Council

Meet with campus members and departments on topics concerning equity and inclusion, such as graduate student experience and department climate.

The Strategy, Execution, and Monitoring Committee

- Work with the Advisory Council to provide resources and recommendations to integrate anti-oppression practices into the student experience, teaching, learning, research, and program administration.
- Conduct assessment of the practices for continuous quality improvement of the initiatives.

Roles

GDAC	GSEM
Meet with campus members and departments to seek their input on topics such as • Graduate student experience • Inequities pervasive in the curriculum, teaching, and learning • Department/Campus climate	Set up the timeline for developing resources
Provide and discuss feedback to the Strategy, Execution and Monitoring Committee (GSEM) to identify priorities	Provide resources and recommendations for best practices, policies, and procedures
	Assess the implementation of the recommendations every quarter
	Inform GDAC about the status

Meeting with the Graduate Diversity Advisory Council

If you want to meet with the Diversity Advisory Council, or have questions, please send an email to padma@uoregon.edu

International Student Support Work Group

Purpose: Identify and support the needs of the winter and spring arrivals and work with ISSS

Rationale: Fill the gaps in support systems across the campus. Graduate School wants to partner with departments to fill these gaps.

Please consider joining the work group.

Please email Padma: Padma@uoregon.edu

Admissions Updates

- Department Offer Letters

- Recruitment Awards

- Slate "Insight" CRM

Questions

Open Discussion