**Graduate Studies Meeting Minutes for March 17, 2016**

3:00-4:30 Sprague-Carlton Rm. Student Center

Attachments sent by email on 3/15:

**GSC Minutes** for 2/25/16; **Agenda** for 2/25/16

Attending: Anton, M; Austad, C; Basim, S; Bednarski, M; Benfield, R; Bernstein, S; Bishop, J; Clark, L; Davis, M; Dziuda, D; Efremoff, T; Gardner, P; Jackson, M; Jacobson, L; Koski, S; Lee, N; Leonidas, E; Mejia, G; Nicholson, B; Ribchinsky, J; Thornton, E; Vedeler, H; Wu, S;

Eric Leonidas-Chair:

*Call to order 3:06*

1) Minutes from February 25, 2016; review and vote by membership.

Motion/second to accept minutes. Proposed revisions:

 Typo on 1st page: Replace “projection” with “project”

 Add R. Benfield to attendees

Minutes accepted as amended.

2) Please make copies of agendas and minutes for meetings to avoid excessive printing.

3) Remaining meeting dates, spring term

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| **CURRICULUM Subcommittee 3:00-4:30** | **Full GSC MEETING****3:00-4:30** | **POLICY Subcommittee****3:00-4:30** |
| 4/14/16 | 4/21/16 | 4/7/16 |

Dean Glynis Fitzgerald’s Notes:

Important Dates for the rest of the semester.

* April 15, 2016 - Thesis & Special Projects Submission for Commencement Booklet
* URCAD – May 6, 2016
	+ Submission due date, April 1: <http://www.ccsu.edu/urcap/subs.html>
	+ Goal to make this a showcase for the best projects
* Commencement
	+ March 15th: Graduation application deadline has been extended to end of March
	+ March 16th: Online ordering for regalia begins
	+ April 15th: Late fee applies for ordering regalia
	+ April 15: Last day to submit final Thesis to have name & title in commencement program
	+ April 28th: Last day to order regalia
	+ May 7th – 13th: Final Exam Week – Capstone submission due
		- *Please make this deadline!*
	+ May 19th: Graduate Commencement Ceremony – Start time will be 6:30 p.m. this year
		- Please celebrate benefits to departmental faculty: on campus/shorter/during week/opportunity for faculty
* June 15th: Graduate Internship and Graduate Assistantship requests are due to the Graduate School
* July 11th: Graduate Internship waiver requests due to the Graduate School

Notes:

* Please note, students select their own Thesis/Special Project advisor.  While programs may have different ways to determine initial advisors, the student should be allowed to ask whomever they choose to advise the capstone.  Faculty can of course decline to be the advisor or committee member.
	+ *Reminder—its up to faculty to decide but students should feel comfortable choosing/asking*

Graduate Admissions Pat Gardner, Associate Director of Graduate Recruitment and Admissions

* Spring Graduate Open House numbers: Successful-about 30 more students than last year. Thanks to all departments who participated—makes a huge difference for students to talk to faculty.
* We will keep you updated on enrollments—right now full time is up/part time down by 31

GSA Update: Shedia Christopher, President

* No Report

Standing Committees

**POLICY**- Chair: Mike Davis

Members: Steve Kirstukas, Harold Vedeler; Linda Clark; Eric Leonidas (ex-officio), (additional members welcome)

* Update: Online Recommendation Form. Discussion on online rec form. Other items are coming—like narratives/portfolios. Once the system is ready for approval and ready for individual programs to modify we will do website changes all at once. Be ready to make changes early in fall.
* Upcoming discussion: Change in applicants GPA calculations and minimums. Ex. Total GPA 3.0 in **all** post bac courses. If a student receives lower grades they will not be admitted.

**CURRICULUM**- Chair: Laura Jacobson

Members: Shuju Wu, L. Reynolds, E. Thornton, L. Franks, E. Leonidas (ex-officio)

* Delete Grad Credit: [ANTH 401 City Life Culture](https://ccsu.smartcatalogiq.com/?sc_itemid=%7b2B79DDAA-9200-4491-93B2-90BE2253F244%7d&item=%7b8418CFD0-5BA9-4ED6-81AC-188DD7B6E2CF%7d)
* Delete Grad Credit: [ANTH 418 - New England Prehistory](https://ccsu.smartcatalogiq.com/?sc_itemid=%7b2B79DDAA-9200-4491-93B2-90BE2253F244%7d&item=%7bE9E2217B-A89C-4E2D-85B9-4C66FBD6D821%7d)
* New course: [CNSL 585 Foundations of Career Vocational and Community Resources for Transition Services](https://ccsu.smartcatalogiq.com/?sc_itemid=%7bB8A95CEE-7313-4300-8B63-AF30FCE65521%7d&item=%7b5539E135-4825-475E-A963-1C94C25C88A8%7d)

Move to accept Davis, seconded Cohen

**SCHOLARSHIP**- Chair: David Sianez

Members: Mike Voight, Marian Anton, Swamy Basim, E. Leonidas (ex-officio) (additional members welcome)

* Dean’s Recruitment Scholarships: Success! Nearly twice as many requests as could be given. Dean expects emails out soon. Everyone got something who applied.
* Grade requirements for award consideration: or, “What’s a B?”

Voted to change to “no more than one B (B+, B, B-)”

Moved Davis/second Vedeler: passed unanimously

**ONLINE**- Chair: Gustavo Mejia

* No Report

**APPEALS**- Chair: Ralph Cohen

Members: Jeff Thomas, Michael Voight, E. Leonidas (ex-officio) (additional members welcome)

* No Report

New Business

* Faculty Forum: Was scheduled for April but has been cancelled. Supposed to be a reward but became a task. So re-thinking to maybe lunch/speaker/discussion. This was met with great approval.
* Meetings have been jammed but if you have any other business please let the chair know.

Meeting adjorned at 3:40 PM