SENATE FINAL REPORT 2015-16

GRADUATE COMMITTEE

The Graduate Committee is the only committee, as far as I know, that reports twice a year – in the fall graduate faculty meeting and the spring grad faculty meeting.

Fall semester 2015:

- Reviewed and chose the International Student Award winners
- Reviewed and chose the Doctoral Mentoring Award nominee for the College
- Edited and approved distance protocols
- Edited and approved certificate admissions criteria
- Reviewed and voted on appeals to certificate admissions
- Reviewed, made suggestions and approved Public Interest Communication distance MA proposal
- Reviewed, made suggestions and approved Audience Analytics distance MA proposal
- Reviewed, made suggestions and approved changes to graduate certificate program in Social Media
- Reviewed and approved graduation with distinction applicants

Spring semester, the committee met every week during the semester to review Doctoral Admissions files. In addition, the Committee worked on:

- Provost document: UF PhD programs and policies recommendation
- TA mid-term evaluations
- PhD qualifying exams changes
- Spring grad student awards selection
 - Outstanding grad student teacher
 - Outstanding MA student
- Faculty Summer Award
- Graduate Coordinator self-evaluations
- Changes to the International Track
- Boot Camp

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The Research Committee meets as needed in each semester. Fall and current topics:

- Increasing research involvement, opportunity, productivity, profile
 - o Symposium
 - Guest speakers and guidelines
- Doctoral student research award
- Faculty research award
- Summer faculty research award
- Faculty Seed Money proposal evaluations
- SONA
- Other issues as they arise