

# Graduate Faculty Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/91867589658?pwd=cE04Q0RZK0lwUGp3MDJCeHhzeWJuUT09>

## I. Call to Order

Goodman called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

## II. Approval of Minutes from October 2023 meeting

Hutchens made a motion to approve; Nall seconded the motion. The Graduate Faculty approved.

## III. Approval of Minutes from April 2023 meeting

Hutchens made a motion to approve; Nall seconded the motion. The Graduate Faculty approved.

## IV. Introductions

Goodman introduced Travis Morgan as the new admissions officer for the Graduate Division.

## V. Action Items

### 1. Suspend MAMC Science/Health Concentration

Goodman provided background on the need to temporarily suspend the program until the college can offer the necessary courses for the degree plan. There is a motion on the floor from Graduate Committee. Hutchens seconded the motion; Graduate Faculty approved.

### 2. Eliminate Grad with Distinction

Goodman provided background on the decision to eliminate this program beginning with the Spring 2024 term. There is a motion on the floor from Graduate Committee. McAdams seconded the motion; Graduate Faculty approved.

### 3. Graduate Faculty Appointment

Goodman provided notice that Dr. Czerne Reid is up for Graduate Faculty appointment in CJC. There is a motion from the Journalism Department, where the appointment was approved unanimously. Voting will begin on December 8, 2023.

## VI. Information Items

### 1. Ph.D. Recruitment

Goodman provided an update on the current doctoral application cycle and recruitment efforts/plans.

2. Initial Chair

Goodman provided notice that nomenclature related to initial chair assignments for incoming students will be changed from “Committee Chair” to “Initial Advisor” based on her research and discussions with prior applicants and peer institutions.

3. Exit Survey

Goodman provided notice that an exit survey will be required of all graduating students beginning with the Spring 2024 term.

4. Ph.D. to MAMC

Goodman provided information on the process for Ph.D. students to change to a MAMC program: Students must submit a MAMC application and complete, at a minimum, six credits of thesis or project hours.

5. Colloquium 2.0

Goodman provided updates on Colloquium 2.0 efforts: seminars conducted during Fall 2023 term, interest and feedback from students, plans to continue these efforts in future terms.

6. FAMU Partnership

Goodman provided updates on the status of the FAMU partnership as well as general details about the program set-up and plans for expansion in the future. The program is still pending approval at the university level. The current plan is to implement the program in Summer 2025, pending all necessary approvals.

**VII. New/Upcoming Business**

Goodman provided notice that the GRE discussion will be re-opened in the Spring 2024 term. Data was provided for consideration and will be provided for committee review in the spring.

**VIII. Adjourn**

Kiouis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m. Calienes seconded the motion, and the Graduate Faculty approved.

In Attendance: Goodman, Dukes, Holloway, Selph, Spiker, Selepak, Coche, Grant, McNealy, Hmielowski, Brown, Frazer, Windels, Windels, Johnson, Kember, Fernandes, Xu, Kiouis, Calienes, Lee, Chu, Feng, Hutchens, Lewis, DiStaso, Men, Nall, Morton, Kropp, McAdams, Nah, Coffey, Wells, Babanikos, Moon,

Waddell, Buckley, Sun, Searight, Cuillier, Wagner, Ostroff, Esterline, Lowe,  
Bambauer, Kalyanaraman, Bridis