MINUTES OF THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE

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Members Present: M. Wilson (Chair), J. Marshall, K. Capehart, M. Lopez, N. Mahalik, S. Tracz, D. Walker

Members Excused: N. Wang

Guests: None

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. in TA 117

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of May 1, 2018
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the agenda
3. Communications and Announcements:
   1. Grad Faculty-Student Mixer debrief by J. Marshall
   2. End of year get together for UGC at 3pm Tuesday 5-15-18 at Mad Duck
4. WASC Assessment Competency Rubrics - approved unanimously.
5. Recommendation for Communicative Disorders Program Review. The UGC recognizes CSDS program review encompasses two programs (Deaf Ed and Speech Language Pathology), but acknowledges that most of the information submitted pertains to CSDS SLP. For this reason the UGC has separate program review recommendations for CSDS SLP and CSDS DE. The UGC looks forward to separate program reviews in the future and recognizes the concern for sustainability of CSDS DE.
   1. Speech Language Pathology is considered an **Exemplary** program with the following commendations and recommendations:
      1. COMMENDATIONS
         1. Program outreach to understand and address community concerns. Dean Hironaka-Juteau regularly meets with Superintendents from local schools for this purpose.
         2. The Committee observed that CSDS SLP program underwent an on-site reaccreditation evaluation by the Counsel on Academic Accreditation. The CAA reaccredited the CSDS SLP program for another 8 years, beginning 12/1/2016 through 11/30/2024. The accreditation report appears to be rigid and thorough.
         3. PRAXIS passing rates have improved to 100%.
         4. Improved response on surveys from alumni and employers with Qualtrics.
         5. Good SLP job success rate is noted. Students get multiple jobs while in school.
         6. Good numbers of regular and part time faculty members in the Department that are rich in expertise.
      2. RECOMMENDATIONS
         1. Improve the **website** and its links. The links take several clicks to arrive at documents for information about the program.
         2. The CSDS SLP receives good numbers of applications. Student diversity is a concern, 50% admitted are White. This trend is recognized as a pattern for the profession, but it is encouraged that the department continue to pursue diversity to best reflect and meet the needs of patients in the local community. It is also recommended that applicants from the San Joaquin Valley, or applicants who are willing to stay in the San Joaquin Valley after graduation, are encouraged to apply to address health needs of the community.
   2. Conditions for **Conditional Approval** for CSDS Deaf Education. The UGC looks forward to a full program review of Deaf Ed within a few years.
      1. Commendations
         1. UGC recognizes CSDS DE is the only program in Northern California.
      2. Recommendations
         1. Develop a Recruitment plan 2018-19.
         2. Implement Recruitment plan 2019-20.
         3. Begin **program review process** year 2020-21/2021-22.
6. Unanimous approval of proposal of Removal of GRE from History Admissions
7. Discussion and Nominations for UGC for 2018-19
   1. To be continued.
8. Planning for Fall for 2018 Agenda
   1. Elevation Request from Early Education
   2. Resubmission of request from Social Work to remove GRE as part of their application process.
9. Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm

The University Graduate Committee is adjourned for the semester. The next meeting is TBD Fall 2018 when school resumes.