
Graduate College

Graduate Faculty Meeting 11-12-20

Presented by:
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Agenda

- Welcome
- Approval of the April 27, 2020 Spring Faculty Meeting Minutes
- Provost's Comments – Provost Patty Prelock
- Dean's Report – Cindy Forehand
- Admissions Report - Kimberly Hess
- Constitution Changes – Cindy Forehand
- Graduate Executive Committee Actions – Cindy Forehand
- New Business

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Provost Prelock Remarks

Dean's Report

- Return to Campus
 - Virtual GTA training
 - Remote thesis and dissertation defenses
 - Testing and exemptions
- Hooding Ceremony will not happen this year
- Grad students on campus in winter term
 - Academic, Research, Employment
- ATHM option for spring

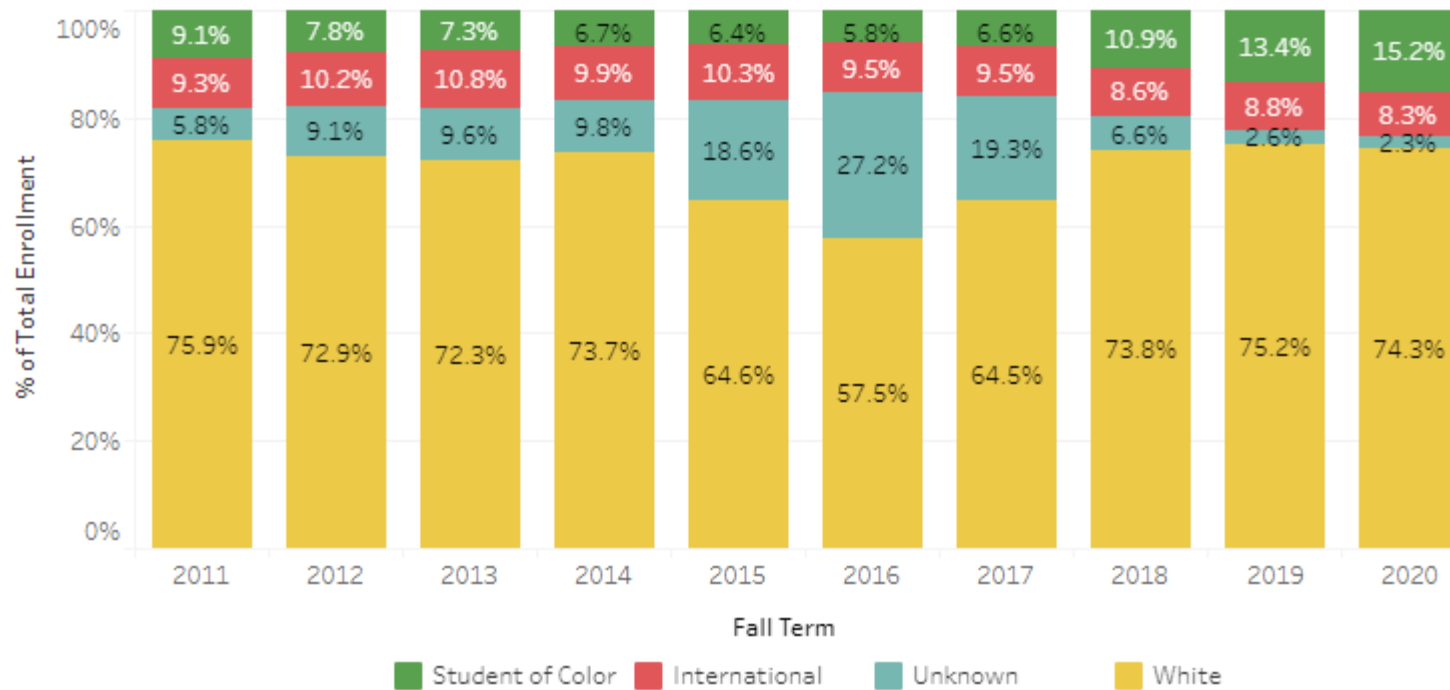
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Activities

- GTA Training: Responding to Bias in the Classroom
- Bias Training Series in Collaboration with GSS and other campus partners
 - In Control (Or So You Think): Navigating Unconscious Thoughts
 - Step Up Bias: Understanding our Behaviors and Actions
 - So What Now?: Understanding UVM's Approach to Addressing Bias
- Standardized Tests in Admissions Statement (attached along with references)

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Student of Color Breakdown Trend:

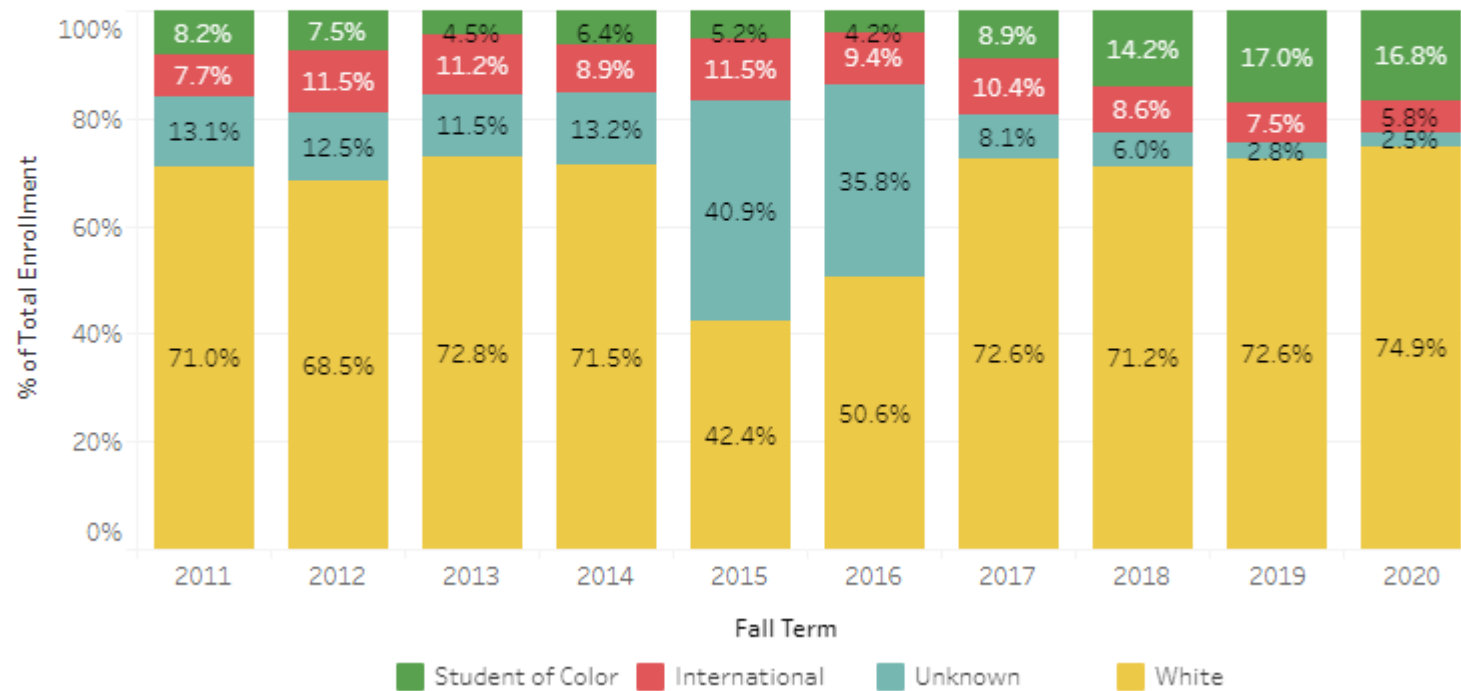
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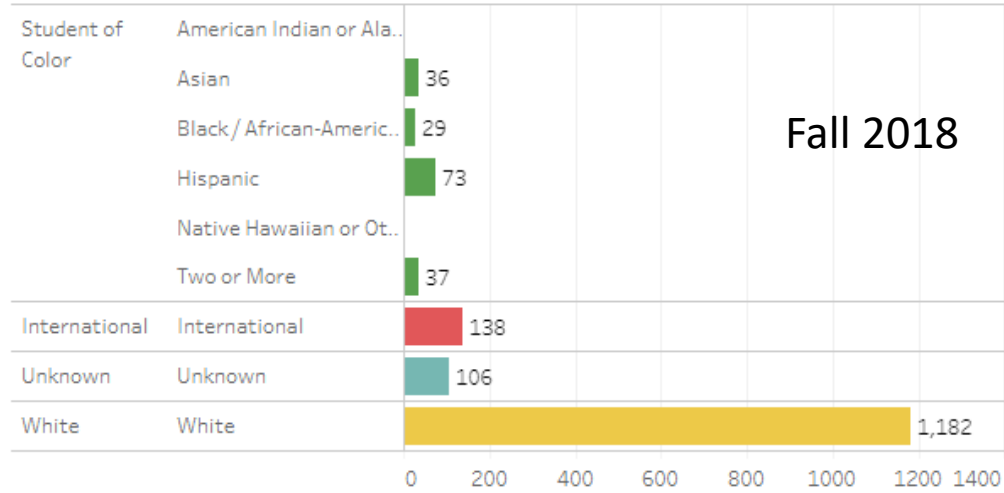
Student of Color Breakdown Trend:

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Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity:

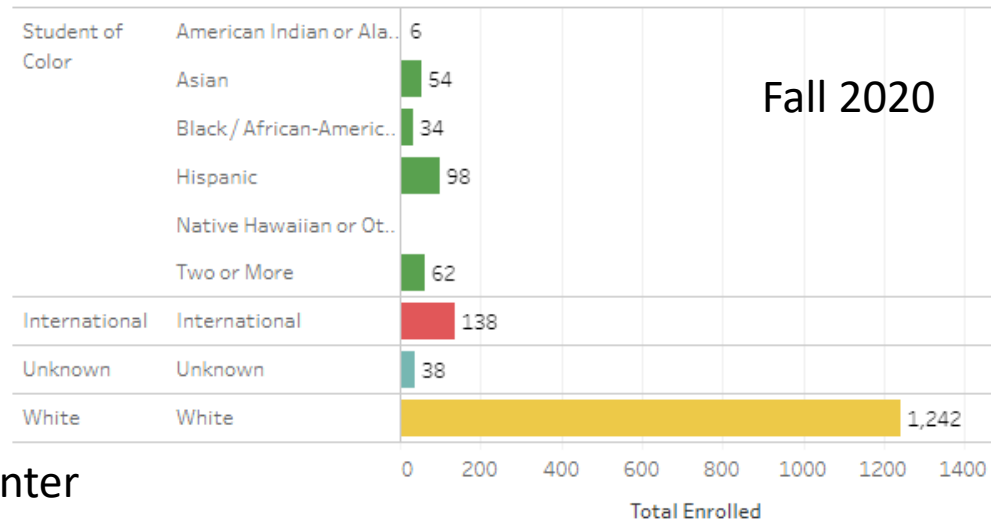
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Fall 2018

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Fall 2020

Graduate Students of Color

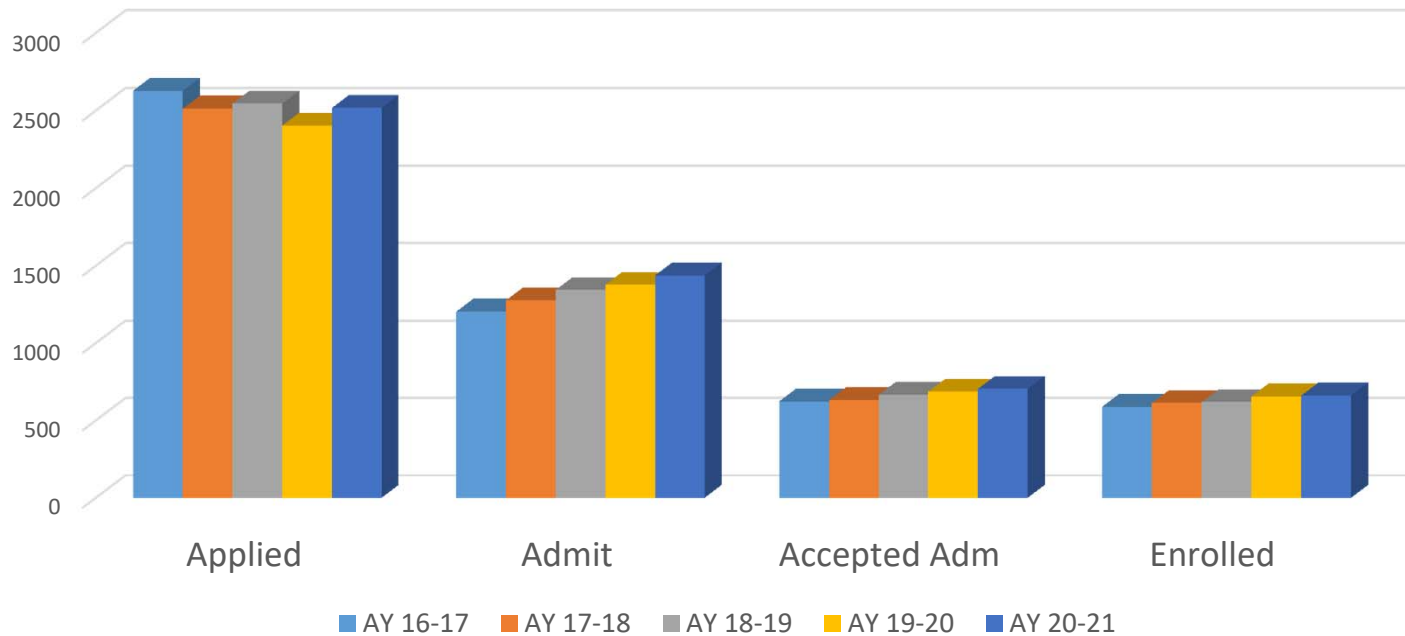
Total Enrollment	Total Enrollment			% of program 2020	
	2018	2019	2020		
CALS	13	18	14	12%	
CAS	14	21	28	15%	
GSB	7	10	5	7%	
CESS	61	61	58	16%	
CEMS	4	12	21	11%	Most growth
RSENR	14	16	20	18%	
CNHS	25	37	45	16%	
GC Interdisciplinary	12	13	20	12%	
LCOM	34	30	43	23%	
Total Masters & Cert	119	127	148	16%	
Total Doctoral	70	91	106	15%	

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Admissions & Enrollment Management Update Fall 2020

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Summer/Fall Applied, Admits & Newly Enrolled Comparison



For AY 20/21 this represents:

5% Increase in Applications

4% Increase in Admissions

3% Increase in Acceptance

Deferral rate was steady overall, but 131% increased for international students.

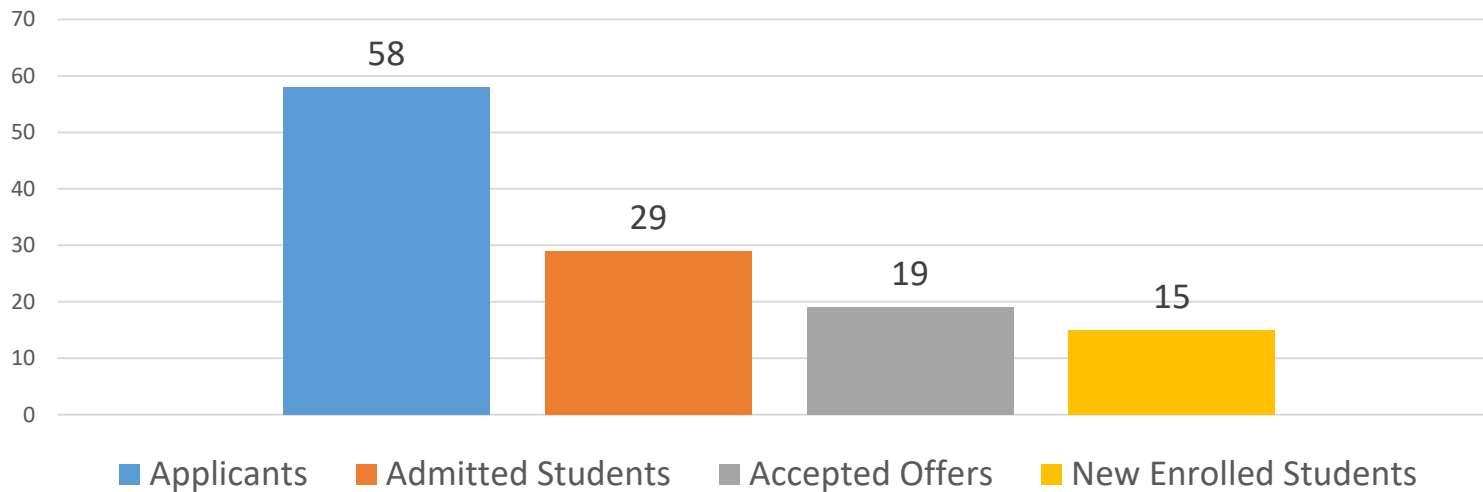
1% Increase in New Enrollment

46% Yield from Admitted Pool

26% Yield from Applicant Pool

Admitted Yield = # admitted that enrolled
Applicant Yield = # applied that enrolled

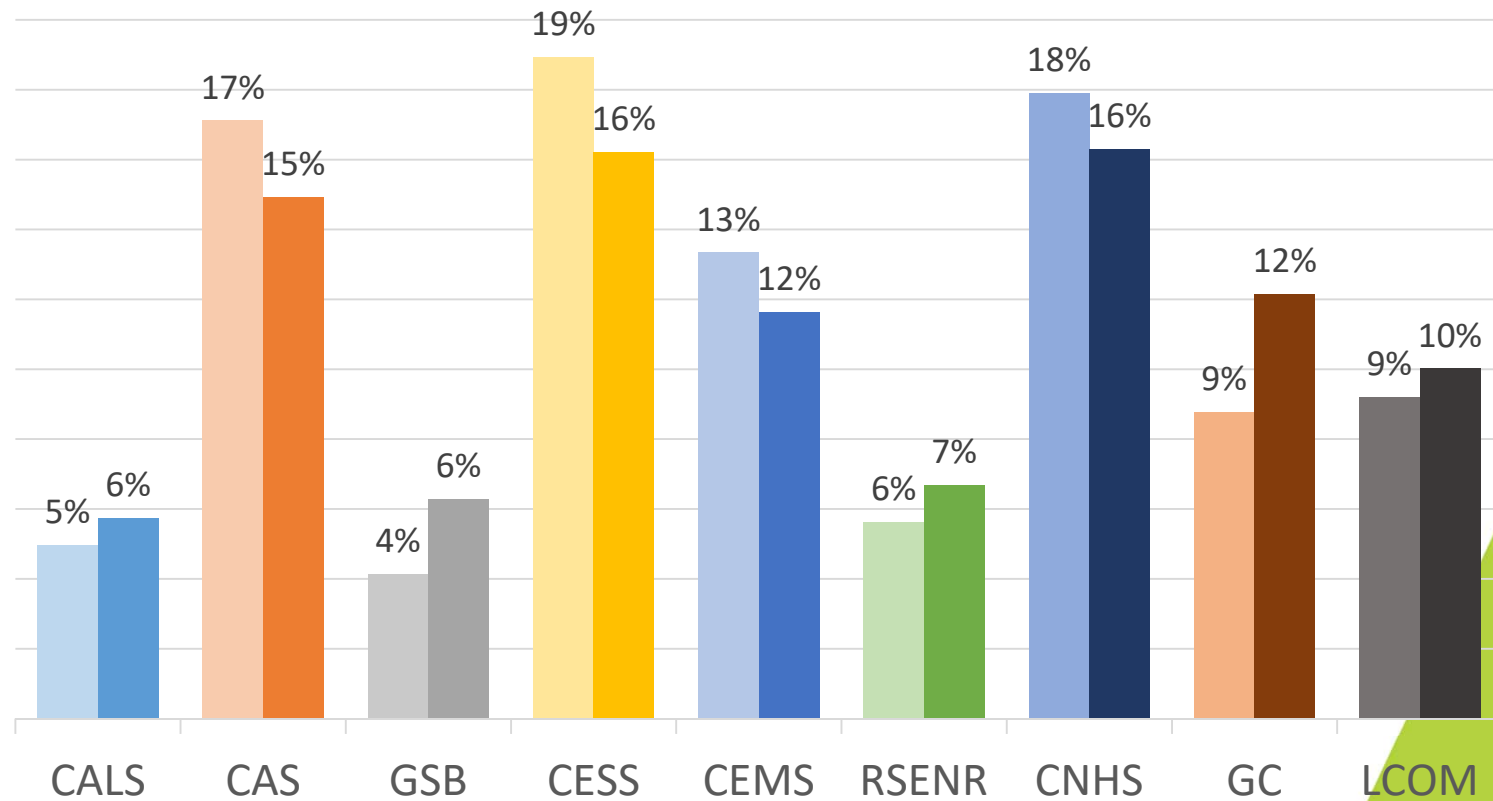
Countries represented in Applied/Admit/Enroll, Summer-Fall 2020



Top 5 Countries Represented

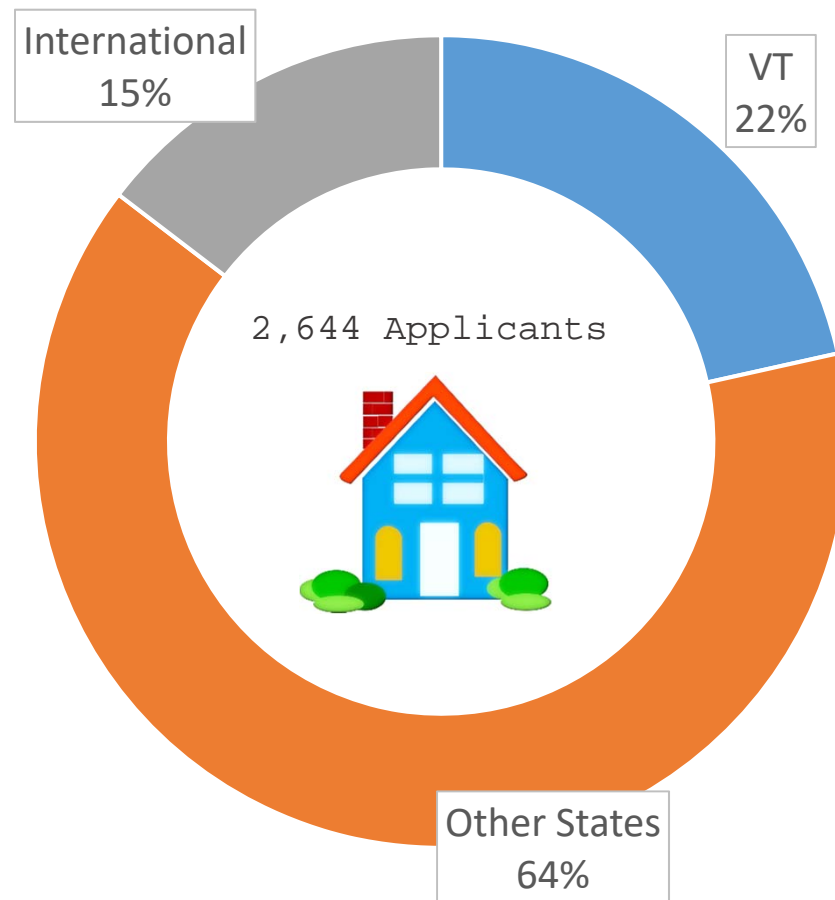
APPLIED	China	India	Bangladesh	Iran	Ghana
ADMIT	China	India	Ghana	Canada	Iran
ENROLLED	China	Canada / India (tie)	Pakistan	11 others with one each	

CY 2019 to 2020 Share of Applicants by College



Light Color: 2019 Dark Color: 2020

2020 Applicants by Residency



Constitution Changes

- Removing the language of “Regular” and “Professional” categories of membership. These categories are now formally “Research and Scholarship-Based” and “Practitioner-Based” respectively. This language has been used since the establishment of distinct categories, and this change is a formal reflection of that. The regular membership type now refers to both research and scholarship-based and practitioner-based faculty who are not emeritus or adjunct.
- Updating appointment language to include “Research and Scholarship-based or Practitioner-Based” for Emeritus, Adjunct, and Ex Officio appointments.

Constitution Changes

Updating the following membership privileges:

- a. All regular graduate faculty (research and scholarship-based and practitioner-based) may serve as the Chair of a master's thesis or doctoral dissertation defense committee. (This is a process position.)
- b. All regular graduate faculty (research and scholarship-based and practitioner-based) or an emeritus member with prior regular research and scholarship-based membership can be the primary advisor for a master's thesis.
- c. All regular research and scholarship-based members or an emeritus member with prior regular research and scholarship-based membership can be the primary advisor for doctoral dissertation.
- d. A regular practitioner-based member or an emeritus member with prior practitioner-based membership can be the primary advisor for a doctoral dissertation with approval of the director of the graduate program and Graduate College.

Graduate Executive Committee Actions

- 6 meetings subsequent to last Graduate Faculty meeting
- **Reviewed**
 - 37 new or significant change course proposals
 - 10 minimal change, deactivation delete course proposals
 - 18 graduate faculty applicants
 - 334 graduate faculty reappointments
 - **Re-survey 137 who didn't respond**
- **Approved**
 - Curriculum changes for Cellular, Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
 - Curriculum changes for Counseling
 - Curriculum changes for Clinical Nurse Leader programs
 - Variable tuition request for the CGS in Complex Systems and Data Science

Graduate Executive Committee Actions

- **Approved**

- Entry-level Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (OTD)
- Concentrations in the Interprofessional Health Sciences PhD
- Certificate of Graduate Study in Medical Science
- Name change for the Bioengineering PhD to Biomedical Engineering
- Changes to the constitution

- **Reviewed**

- Applications for Clean Energy Fund Innovation Research Awards

- **Discussed**

- Standardized tests in admissions