Minutes– Graduate Council Meeting – September 16, 2011
2:00 p.m. – Gillham Park Room

Members present: Mary Walker, Trent Guess, Ed Gogol, JianPing Wang, Lindsey Williams, Larry Garrison, Jejung Lee, Laurie Ellinghausen, An-Lin Cheng, Hristo Voulov, Julie Banderas, Sue Vartuli, Shannon Jackson. Also present, Dean MacQuarrie and Nancy Hoover.

Excused: Jennifer Lundgren

Visiting: Brenda Dingley & Kathleen Schweitzberger, UMKC Libraries

1. The minutes of April 15, 2011 were approved.

2. Thesis/Dissertation Embargo Policy
   Brenda Dingley and Kathleen Schweitzberger presented information regarding the need for an embargo policy on electronic theses and dissertations at UMKC. They explained how many schools allowed embargoes only to students who had a compelling reason for delaying the release of their thesis or dissertation. They went over the policies of several nearby universities and a particularly good policy at Michigan. They went on to answer questions from Council members and it was determined that a policy would be drafted, based on the Michigan model, for Council members to present to their units for feedback.

3. Report of Subcommittees on actions taken on pending applications for appointment or reappointment to the Doctoral Faculty and/or Graduate Faculty, and reports on pending discipline-specific criteria. The following actions were reported:

   Social and Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee (Larry Garrison, Chair)
   Bonita Butner (Education) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Rita Cain (Bloch) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Jennifer Friend (Education) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Raﬁa Rasu (Bloch) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Jennifer Waddell (Education) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty

   Humanities and Arts Subcommittee (Lindsey Williams, Chair)
   Andrew Granade (Conservatory) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Scott Lee (Conservatory) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
   Lindsey Williams (Conservatory) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
Natural and Physical Sciences Subcommittee (Ed Gogol, Chair).

Bonnie Branson (Dentistry) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
Dev Maulik (Medical School) – appointment to doctoral faculty
Nathan Oyler (Chemistry) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
Xiaojun Shen (SCE) – reappointment to the doctoral faculty
Xiaolan Yao (SBS) – appointment to the doctoral faculty

(Dr. Gogol pointed out that Dr. Yao did not strictly meet the criteria due to a long post-doc. The Council members voted to make an exception and grant doctoral faculty status).

Discipline-specific criteria from the Engineering discipline in the School of Computing and Engineering was approved.

Discipline-specific criteria from the School of Medicine was discussed and then returned to the unit for revision.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.