

Graduate Policies and Standards Council
End-of-Year Report
2010-2011

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1. The Council worked on clarifying its charges and distinguishing its charges from those of the Graduate Programs Council. (see minutes of September 27, 2010 & October 18, 2010). Both councils met together on November 10, 2010 and made recommendations to the Senate which were later approved and became the official charges for the councils. (see minutes of November 10, 2010)
2. In collaboration with the Graduate Programs Council, the Council planned, implemented, and summarized the results of the annual graduate studies forum. (see minutes of December 9, 2010, March 3, 2011)

This year, in keeping with university planning, the forum, held on March 31, 2011 was on:

Establishing a Strategic Plan for Graduate Studies at William Paterson University

A summary of the forum results was sent to the Senate Executive Committee and posted on the webpages of both Councils.(see attached)

Recommendations for Charges for Next Year

In addition to standing charges the additional charges recommended are the following:

1. Work in coordination with the administration personnel responsible for Graduate Education, the Senate Graduate Programs Council, and the Graduate Program Directors Council on developing a plan and standards for the establishment of a School of Graduate Education or other coordinating body for graduate studies at WPU.
2. Work with the Graduate Program Directors' Council on developing and revising specific academic policies and standards for graduate programs.
3. Work with University Strategic Planning Committee as needed.

4. Review and recommend policies and standards for administering collaborations across graduate programs (e.g., dual listings for the same courses, registration for courses offered across programs)

Submitted by Rochelle Goldberg Kaplan, Council Chair
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