

**GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
BUILDING 1A, Room 308**

Graduate Studies Committee: Bilge Yesil, Xiaowen Zhang, Margaret Berci, Jingyoung Kim, Ruth Powers Silverberg, Katharine Goodland (Chair), Alfred Levine, Don Selby, Susan Smith-Peter, Maureen Garvey, Greg Phillips, Catherine Paradiso, Li Ge, Patricia Gross

Staff: Michael Anderson, Susan Massara, Veronica DiMeglio, Sasha Spence

Excused Ex-Officio: Susan Holak, Michael Cavagnero, Marcus Tye, Sarolta Takács, Mel Pipe

Excused: John Sandler, Jonathan Peters, Chandan Acharya, Ming Tang, Susan Sullivan, Vinay Vaishampayan, Marcello Lucia, Wei Zhang, Sandra Hunt

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1. The outgoing Chair Katharine Goodland led brief introductions.
2. Election of Chair: Katharine Goodland expressed that she would like to continue to serve as the GSC Committee Chair. There were no other nominations. Alfred Levine cast a ballot to approve Katharine Goodland as GSC Chair for the 2019-2020 academic year.
3. The agenda for September 9th GSC meeting was unanimously approved.
4. The minutes from the May 6, 2019 GSC meeting were unanimously approved.
5. Appeals Process: Discussion took place regarding the current “pilot” (document provided to the Committee after the meeting) program in place to streamline the Graduate Grade Appeals process. This included clarification on the type of appeals to be considered by the Graduate Studies Appeals Committee. Veronica DiMeglio was asked to provide the Chair with the references/links related to appeals in the Graduate Catalog. This item will be discussed further at the October meeting.
6. Honors in the MA: Katharine Goodland asked which CSI Graduate programs had “Honors” in their respective programs. The History MA includes a notation on the student transcript of “thesis with distinction” (Susan Smith-Peter).
7. The meeting adjourned at 4pm.