THE GRADUATE COUNCIL

The Graduate Council shall consist of the following regular voting members:

1.) The elected chairperson of each College's graduate studies committee: (7)

2.) Each College shall have one additional elected member for each 20%, or major fraction thereof, of the total University graduate student head count enrolled in that College; (5)

3.) Two graduate students elected by the graduate council from a list consisting of not more than one nominee from each College; (2)

4.) The Dean of the Graduate School, who shall chair the Council. (1)

Total regular voting members (15)

Ex-officio members without vote shall include the College deans, the director of libraries and the registrar.

The responsibilities of the GRADUATE COUNCIL include (1) recommending to the President, through the Graduate school dean and the Vice President for Academic Affairs, ALL MATTERS OF ACADEMIC POLICY AFFECTING GRADUATE EDUCATION; (2) establishing and verifying qualifications for full members, special members and associate members of the graduate faculty; (3) recommending appointments and reappointments to the graduate faculty; (4) periodic evaluations of all graduate programs and requirements; and (5) reviewing new graduate program and course proposals and/or revisions of existing graduate programs and courses and recommending action regarding the same.

The graduate council shall elect its SECRETARY and FORMULATE ITS BY-LAWS which shall be submitted to the PRESIDENT through the Dean of the Graduate School and the Vice President for Academic Affairs for approval. The Graduate Council shall meet on a regular basis and is authorized to establish and appoint standing and ad hoc committees of the Graduate Faculty and its own membership as necessary to conduct its business. The COUNCIL SHALL CALL AT LEAST ONE MEETING OF THE FULL GRADUATE FACULTY IN EACH ACADEMIC YEAR, DURING WHICH A GENERAL REPORT TO THE FACULTY SHALL BE PRESENTED.