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MEMORANUM

To: Dr. Joel Avrin, President

UNC Charlotte Faculty

From: Dr. Concepcion Godev, Chair of Graduate Council

Date: April 29, 2021

RE: Report on Graduate Council Activities for 2020-2021

The Graduate Council held one organizational meeting and eight business meetings for the 2020-2021 academic year. During the academic year, the Council accomplished the following tasks:

- 1. dissolved, in consultation with the Graduate School, the Graduate Funding Committee that was created in 2019-2020. The tasks of this committee were re-allocated to the Graduate Enrollment Management (GEM) Group.
- 2. discussed impact of COVID-19 on Graduate Students and reported findings to the President of the UNC Charlotte Faculty.
- 3. approved the following proposals originating from the Graduate School:
 - 3.1. New Grade of Satisfactory Progress (SP)/Unsatisfactory Progress (UP) for Continued Research Courses
 - 3.2. Making Standardized Tests Optional for Graduate Admission
 - 3.3. Graduate Assistantship Handbook
 - 3.4. Authorship Dispute Resolution Policy
- 4. reviewed 150 proposals; 97 proposals (reviewed only by the Graduate Council Chair) were revisions of existing programs or courses; 53 were new proposals (reviewed by the Graduate Council).
- 5. set up a sub-committee (Craig Allan, Chair, Mona Azarbayjani, and Kent Brintnall) to conduct the annual performance review of the Dean of the Graduate School.

The minutes for all meetings of the Graduate Council are available on the Academic Affairs website at the <u>Graduate Council web site</u>. These minutes give complete accounts of our proceedings.
