COMMITTEES ASSISTING WITH TRANSFORMATION OF GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION at the University of Minnesota

GRADUATE SCHOOL POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

**Charge:** June 14, 2010, by the chair of the Senate Committee on Educational Policy (SCEP) to review and update existing graduate education policies currently in a variety of formats, including the Graduate School catalog and constitution, and to present policies to the Senate at the end of spring semester 2011.

**Chair:** Nita Krevans, associate professor

**More information:** http://www.grad.umn.edu/Transition/policy_review.html

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES FOR GRADUATE EDUCATION

**Charge:** The vice provost and dean of graduate education convened this group for the first time June 29-30 to begin the implementation process for graduate education. Representatives are appointed by the deans of their colleges.

**Convener:** Henning Schroeder, vice provost and dean of graduate education

**More information:** http://www.grad.umn.edu/Transition/college_reps_list.html

GRADUATE STUDENT FINANCING TASK FORCE

**Charge:** October 14, 2010, by the Provost to provide a set of recommendations about (1) short-term mechanisms to address funding issues related to the role of graduate students’ role in research supported by the National Institutes of Health and (2) longer-term solutions to these challenges, including examination of the tuition model in the context of fiscal difficulties and increasing competitiveness in graduate education; a draft is due in March 2011 and a final report by August 2011.

**Chair:** Henning Schroeder, vice provost and dean of graduate education

**More information:** http://www.grad.umn.edu/Transition/docs/financing_TF.pdf

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS

**Charge:** The vice provost and dean of graduate education is convening this group to include interdisciplinary program representatives in ongoing discussions as graduate education is restructured, in order to inform the process about the impact of decisions on interdisciplinary activities. Representatives are appointed by the deans of their colleges.

**Convener:** Henning Schroeder, vice provost and dean of graduate education

**More information:** A website is forthcoming.
BOLOGNA PROCESS ADVISORY GROUP

**Charge:** Building on a campus workshop in spring 2010 about the European Union’s Bologna Process to transform higher education in its member nations, an advisory group has been formed to explore its implications for the University of Minnesota, raise awareness, and gather input about actions and activities in response. It will meet for the first time during fall semester.

**Co-chairs:** Henning Schroeder, vice provost and dean of graduate education, and Claudia Neuhauser, UM-Rochester vice chancellor for academic affairs.

**More information about the Bologna Process:**
http://www.grad.umn.edu/prospective_students/bologna.html (April 2010 workshop)

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