Spring 2010
Graduate Faculty Meeting

Bobby McGehee, PhD
Dean, Graduate School
April 6, 2009
Graduate School Staff

- **Toni Emerson**, Financial Officer
- **Pattie Hamilton**, Registrar
- **Pam McCullough**, Director of Admissions
- **Jackie McRoberts**, Assistant Dean Graduate Studies, ISA PDSO
- **Kristen Sterba, PhD**, Assistant Dean of Recruitment and Retention
New Graduate School Home

- Graduate School office: 2nd Floor Admin West
2009-2010 Graduate Council Members

- Ms. Terri Hutton, Chair, (ASP)  
  Dr. Helen Benes (NBDS)  
  Dr. Nicholas Hays (NUTR)  
  Dr. Jack Hinson (INTX)  
  Dr. Morris Cranmer (OEH)  
  Dr. Kumuda Das (PATH)  
  Dr. Howard Hendrickson (PHSC)  
  Dr. Paul Greene (HPPR)  

- Dr. William D. Wessinger (IBS)  
- Dr. Edathara Abraham (BIOC)  
- Dr. Glen Mays (HSRE)  
- Dr. Lee Soderberg (MBIM)  
- Dr. Julia Goodwin (NUSC)  
- Dr. Paul Gottschall (PCOL)  
- Dr. Rosalia Simmen (PHYO)  
- Dr. Bruce Haas (GENC)  

- New 2010-11 Members
  Dr. Alesia Ferguson, OEH  
  Dr. Wayne Gray, MBIM  
  Dr. Alexei Basnakian, INTX  
  Dr. Tyrone Borders, HSRE  
  Dr. Rebecca Krukowski, HPPR  
  Dr. Steven Post, IBS  
  Ms. Becky Butler, GENC

- Non-voting members: Dr. McGehee, Dr. Sterba, Mr. McRoberts, Ms. Hamilton

- GSA Student Representative: Ms. Kimberly Reynolds (BIOC)

- Standing Committees: Curriculum, GSRF, Faculty, Assessment
### Graduate School Enrollment

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Important Dates

- **Graduate School Grades**
  - Please turn in grades on time to Graduate School
  - Graduating students: May 14-noon
  - All other students: May 21.
Important Dates (cont.)

- **Graduate School Graduate Brunch**
  - May 15, 2010, 10:00 AM, Embassy Suites
  - Complementary faculty tickets
Important Dates (cont.)

- **UAMS Commencement**
  - May 15, 2010, 3 PM, Barton Coliseum
  - Faculty: 2 PM at Farm and Ranch
Important Dates (cont.)

- 2010 Research Induction Ceremony
  - Monday, September 27, 2010
Important Dates (cont.)

- UAMS Graduate School Career Day
  - Thursday, November 4, 2010
Information / Updates

- Updating student handbook, let us know if you want changes.

- When listing course offerings, please remember ALL upcoming semester course offerings **MUST** include the name of the Course Director. **UPDATE:** Worked extremely well-THANK YOU!!

- **COPH courses are now readily available.**
  **UPDATE:** Implementation of two courses-system worked well.

- Henry Stewart talks for on-line assignments or course offerings. Available through library to all faculty.

- Quarterly Program Director meetings

- Currently ~30 students on extramural training grants
  - 6 NIH NRSA, several pending
Potential changes in Student Research Week / Institution-wide event.

GSRF program will continue to be withheld pending further notification

New online application for Fall 2010, including direct links to program websites and email acknowledgements

New Fall Orientation; Informational Fair in conjunction with COPH

Grad School coming to programs for registration-pilot well received

Health insurance registration issues, note upcoming emails

Video lecture capture….???
Research Induction Ceremony

- September 28, 2009
- Held at IDW 126 Lecture Hall with Fall reception following ceremony
- Dr. Galen Wenger keynote speaker
- 32 participants from 10 PhD programs
- Next RIC scheduled for Monday, September 27, 2010
Graduate Student Association

- Very active group
Dean’s Distinguished Scholarship

- $6000 each year for up to 5 years for highly qualified doctoral students
  - 3.5 GPA
  - Average GRE scores of 75% on all three components

- Began Fall 2005 with the following # given out each year
  - 2005-06: 2
  - 2006-07: 4
  - 2007-08: 3
  - 2008-09: 2
  - 2009-10: 3
  - 2010-11: 2
  - Total 16
Dean’s Distinguished Scholarship

Inaugural Scholars:

Katharine Whitney
adv: Galen Wenger (INTX)

Daniel Prantner
adv: Uma Nagarajan (MBIM)
Dean’s Distinguished Scholarship

- Diploma / Transcript designation
- Honor cords at commencement
- Recognition at GS Brunch
Awards Programs

Certificate of Achievement: Presented to students for intramural recognition
Awards Programs

Achievement Award: Presented to students for significant national recognition
Awards Programs

Mentor Award: Presented by students to major graduate advisors
Awards Programs

- **Outstanding Achievement Award**
  - 2 previous awardees (*Neuron* and *Science* first authors)

- **Other mechanisms of recognition?**
  - Mentors
  - Annual Awards