



EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

GRADUATE COUNCIL - APRIL 2021 MEETING AGENDA

MEETING DATE: FRIDAY, 16 APRIL 2021

MEETING TIME: 12:00 PM (NOON)

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Meeting Call to Order: Dr. Matt Sabin, *Chair* – AY 2020/2021 Graduate Council

I. LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

- Consideration of the Graduate Council Meeting Minutes from the Friday, March 19, 2021 Graduate Council Meeting.

II. GRADUATE FACULTY NOMINATIONS

Dr. Ida Slusher, *Faculty Affairs Subcommittee Chair*

This Month's Nominations: N=8

Listed alphabetically by last name...

RID:	LAST	FIRST	RANK:	COLLEGE	DEPARTMENT:	NOMINATION
1	Adams	Krista	<i>Assistant Professor</i>	COE	Curriculum and Instruction	Initial
2	Carrucci	Christina	<i>Associate Professor</i>	CLASS	Music	Graduate Renewal
3	Fairchild	Jennifer	<i>Professor</i>	CLASS	Communication	Initial
4	Johnson	Matthew	<i>Assistant Professor</i>	CLASS	Music	Graduate New
5	Nelson	Lawrence	<i>Associate Professor</i>	CLASS	Music	Graduate New
6	Sciaraffa	Mary	<i>Associate Professor</i>	CHS	Applied Human Sciences	Graduate Renewal
7	Siler	Nathan	<i>Associate Professor</i>	CLASS	Music	Initial
8	Taylor	Rachel	<i>Adjunct</i>	CLASS	Music	Adjunct

III. STUDENT AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE

Dr. Olly Oakley, *Student Affairs Subcommittee Chair*

- Three Minute Thesis (3MT) - <https://ekuscholars.eku.edu/3MT>

IV. AY 2021/2022 GRADUATE COUNCIL LEADERSHIP

Dr. Ryan Baggett, *Dean of the Graduate School*

A. Gratitude and Congratulations...

Sincere gratitude to our AY 2020/2021 Council Leadership Team:

- Dr. Matt Sabin – *Council Chair*
- Dr. Ann Burns – *Chair of the Curriculum Subcommittee*
- Dr. Ida Slusher – *Chair of the Faculty Affairs Subcommittee*
- Dr. Olly Oakley – *Chair of the Student Affairs Subcommittee*

Sincere gratitude to our AY 2020/2021 Graduate Students:

- Ms. Alisha Helton – *English*
- Mr. Chase Barnes – *Public Health*

Sincere gratitude to our Six Year Term (Two Consecutive Three Year Terms) Members who are rotating off:

- Dr. Olly Oakley – *Biology*
- Dr. Ray Richardson – *Technology*

Congratulations to Members who have opted in for an additional Three-Year Term:

- Dr. Ann Burns – *Educational Leadership*
- Dr. Nathan Siler – *Music*
- Dr. Ida Slusher – *Nursing*

B. Handbook Process Additions and Edits:

Motion One: ADD SECTION D (After Section C: Council Chair on Page 4)

D. Council Past Chair

The Council Past Chair will work closely with the Council Chair to provide counsel and advice. The Council Past Chair will also serve on the Executive Committee and lead any special projects that arise during the year and do not fit within the purview of one of the three Graduate Council subcommittees. As such, the Council Past Chair will not be assigned to a subcommittee. The position will serve the academic year after their year as Council Chair. If the faculty member's three-year term expires after serving as Chair, they will be granted a one-year extension to serve as the Council Past Chair.

Motion Two: Edits to verbiage in D1. Executive Subcommittee (Page 5)

The Executive Subcommittee is comprised of the Chair of the Graduate Council, **Council Past Chair** and the three Chairs of the standing subcommittees.

Motion Three: Edits to verbiage in C. Council Chair – Page 4

The Council Chair will be elected from the membership of the Graduate Council in the last full meeting of the spring semester (typically the April meeting). With a preference of the candidate serving as a past subcommittee chair, the **Graduate Council Executive Committee will nominate a candidate based on their observations and experiences during the past year. However, the Council membership may also nominate candidates.** If the newly elected Chair represents a College (one of the two faculty members from above) the Chair will move to an open At Large position, to best reflect University interests in graduate education matters.

The term of the Chair shall be for one year. The Chair may be re-elected for one additional term.

Motion Four: Add language to subcommittee chair election sections:

Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee – Page 7

Chair

The Chair of the Graduate Curriculum subcommittee is elected from among the subcommittee members for a one-year term. **The Graduate Council Executive Committee will nominate a candidate based on their observations and experiences during the past year. However, the Council membership may also nominate candidates with the election being held during the last meeting of the academic year (typically April).** A Chair may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

Faculty Affairs Subcommittee – Page 8

Subcommittee Chair

The Chair of the Faculty Affairs subcommittee is elected from among the subcommittee members for a one-year term. **The Graduate Council Executive Committee will nominate a candidate based on their observations and experiences during the past year. However, the Council membership may also nominate candidates with the election being held during the last meeting of the academic year (typically April).** A Chair may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

Student Affairs Subcommittee – Page 9

Chair

The Chair of the Student Affairs subcommittee is elected from among the subcommittee members for a one-year term. **The Graduate Council Executive Committee will nominate a candidate based on their observations and experiences during the past year. However, the Council membership may also nominate candidates with the election being held during the last meeting of the academic year (typically April).** A Chair may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

C. Election of Chair and Subcommittee Chairs:

Dr. Matt Sabin, *Council Chair*

- C1. Election of Graduate Council Chair
- C2. Election of Chair – Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee
- C3. Election of Chair – Faculty Affairs Subcommittee
- C4. Election of Chair – Student Affairs Subcommittee

V. OTHER ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- A. Graduate School Updates - *Dr. Ryan Baggett***
- B. Curriculum Review and Approval Process Revisions – *Dr. Ryan Baggett***
- C. Continue Discussion on FY 2020/2021 Graduate Council Highlights / Path Forward – *Dr. Matt Sabin***
- D. Other Items for the Good of the Order?**

VI. AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021 EKU GRADUATE COUNCIL DATES OF INTEREST

- Friday, 20 August 2021 – 11:15 AM - Graduate Council Organizational Meeting
 - Format: TBD
- Friday, September 3, 2021 - Agenda Items Due By 4:30 pm to Kelly.Fox@eku.edu
- Friday, September 10, 2021 - Executive Committee Meeting - 11:15 am – TBD Format
- Friday, September 17, 2021 - Graduate Council Meeting - 11:15 am – TBD Format

Meeting Adjournment (Dr. Matt Sabin, *Chair*)

VII. DOCUMENTS/MATERIALS FOR THIS MEETING:

**The official copies of all EKU Graduate Council documents are available on the Graduate Council Blackboard site.*

- Friday, 16 April 2021 Graduate Council Agenda (*this document*)
- Friday, 19 March 2021 Graduate Council Meeting Minutes
- April Graduate Council Agenda Supporting Items:
 - Eight (8) Graduate Faculty Nominations
- Graduate Council Handbook – Fall 2020