

**A Resolution to Update Faculty handbook language on Composition of the  
Graduate Council**

**Educational Policy and Student Affairs Committee**

**Passed June 8, 2009**

Whereas, the Faculty Handbook (Section VII, Subsection C) contains a section specifying composition of the Graduate Council, and

Whereas, the Graduate Council has suggested through a unanimously approved resolution dated April 1, 2009, that the composition of the Graduate Council be changed, and

Whereas, the recommended changes to the Graduate Council would still give faculty a majority vote, and

Whereas, the suggested changes to the graduate council would integrate stakeholders who have a vested interest and/or working knowledge of graduate education at Ohio University, therefore

Be it resolved by the Ohio University Faculty Senate that Section VII, Subsection C be amended as follows:

**Handbook Language In Question**

[Note: deletions are indicated with ~~strikethrough~~ and additions are indicated with *emphasized text*.]

**C. Graduate Council**

The Graduate Council reviews, coordinates, and serves as an advocate for graduate education at Ohio University. The Council has both advisory and policy-recommending responsibilities for graduate education. It initiates, reviews, and recommends University-wide policy and new directions for graduate education.

The Graduate Council recommends to the University Curriculum Council the initiation, implementation, and elimination of graduate programs and degrees at Ohio University. (See Section II.D.4.c for procedures for the elimination of graduate programs.) Other recommendations by the Council go through the Provost to the President for final approval.

Members of the Graduate Council are nominated by the Committee on Committees and appointed by the President. The Graduate Council shall have a voting majority of ~~faculty~~ members *with faculty status*.

Its membership shall consist of:

- a. fourteen ~~faculty~~ members ***with faculty status*** (with a minimum of five from doctoral programs and five from master's-degree-only programs), one of whom will be appointed as chair of the Council;
- b. deans (or their representatives) of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Communication, Education, Engineering and Technology, Fine Arts, Health and Human Services, and Osteopathic Medicine; and the Director of the Center for International Studies;
- c. four graduate students, including the President of the Graduate Student Senate (with a minimum of one student from a doctoral program and one from a master's-only program); ~~and~~
- d. the ~~Associate Provost for Graduate Studies~~ ***Dean (or a representative) of the Graduate College*** as a nonvoting member; and
- e. ***the Dean (or a representative) of the Library as a nonvoting member.***