**Graduate Studies**

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**About Graduate Council**

**Purpose:** To consider all matters relating to graduate programs at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and to recommend practices and policies that enhance the quality of A&M-CC graduate programs.

**Function:** The Graduate Council serves as the advisory body to the Graduate Dean. The Graduate Council reviews and evaluates the admissions policies and processes, curriculum and program requirements, academic standards, grading policies and practices, academic advising, orientation, faculty qualifications and productivity, library and learning resources, computer and laboratory facilities and other issues relating specifically to graduate education at the University. The Council assists the Graduate Dean in reviewing the content of the Graduate Catalog.

This Council also reviews new graduate programs being considered by the University once the college initiating the proposal has approved them. Once approved by the Council, the proposal will continue through the regular approval process (i.e., the Faculty Senate, the Provost's Council, and the President.)

The Graduate Council also considers strategic directions that the University should pursue regarding graduate education and assists in the formulation of marketing, scholarship, recruiting, and program development objectives needed to achieve the institution's graduate education goals.

By April 1 of each year, the Graduate Council will submit its formal recommendations regarding graduate education to the College Deans' Council and the Faculty Senate for consideration.

**Chair:** Elected by Graduate Council Members

**Membership:** The Dean of Graduate Studies and Associate Vice President for Research and Scholarly Activity, three graduate faculty members from each college who are elected by the graduate faculty of the college, and one representative elected by the Faculty Senate. A professional librarian serves as a non-voting member of the Council.

**Membership List:** FISCAL YEAR 2008, September 1, 2008 - August 31, 2009

**Dean of Graduate Studies and Associate VP of Research & Scholarly Activity:** - Dr. Harvey Knull

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