1. Opening remarks

2. Minutes of the December 2, 2014 meeting:
   http://www.k-state.edu/grad/faculty/graduate-council/agendaminutes/2014_12%20min.pdf

3. Graduate School Actions and Announcements

   Non-Graduate Faculty to Teach Graduate Courses

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4. Academic Affairs Committee - Amy Rosine

5. Graduate Student Affairs Committee – Robert Larson, Chair

6. Graduate School Committee on Planning – Brett DePaola, Chair

DISCUSSION ITEM
- Credit Hours of 999 Research for Doctoral Degrees (PhD & EdD)

   Below are proposed changes to the Graduate Handbook that were presented by The Committee on Planning in a first reading at the December 2014 Graduate Council meeting. For the current meeting, the Council will discuss additional feedback they have collected from their colleagues. This feedback will be reviewed at the next Committee on Planning meeting, and the committee will prepare a second reading to present at the March 3, 2015 Graduate Council meeting.
Chapter 3: The Doctoral Degree

A. Admission and General Requirements

To gain admission to a doctoral program, the student must be approved for admission both by the graduate faculty of the department or interdepartmental program and by the Graduate School.

The Ph.D. requires at least three years of full-time study beyond the bachelor's degree, equivalent to at least 90 semester hours of course work and research credits. The Ed.D. requires 94 hours beyond the baccalaureate, including course work and research credits. Both degrees require a dissertation representing at least 30 hours of research credit for a Ph.D. and 16 hours for an Ed.D. Students who hold a master's degree may request transfer of up to 30 hours of that degree toward either doctoral degree (See section 3.D.6 below). Students who hold professional doctorate degrees (DVM, MD, JD, etc.) may transfer a maximum of 12 graduate credit hours from a professional doctorate degree toward either doctorate degree (See section 3.D.5c). The regulations governing supervisory and examining committees, preliminary and final examinations, and dissertations are the same for both degrees.

A Ph.D. is a research-based degree and is awarded to candidates who have demonstrated unique ability as scholars and researchers as well as proficiency in communication. The degree also certifies that the candidate has displayed familiarity and understanding of the subject matter in the discipline and possesses the ability to make original contributions to knowledge.

7. Graduate School Committee on Assessment and Review – Royce Ann Collins, Chair

8. Graduate Student Council Information – Amanda Fairbanks, President

9. University Research and Scholarship

   - Presidential Doctoral Scholarship Program - This scholarship program has been created to recruit top candidates whose research will be in one of the research strength areas at K-State and involve collaboration among faculty and graduate student colleagues. The goal of the program is to increase the competitiveness of program’s graduate assistantship packages. The program is very competitive. Only seven ($7,500) awards, renewable for a second year, will be awarded for the 2015-2016 academic year. See Attachment A. Nomination Deadline: February 15, 2015.


   - Commerce Bank Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award – The award honors current members of the graduate faculty who are recognized nationally and internationally for
their outstanding scholarly achievements and for their contributions to graduate education at the university. Recipients of the award will receive an honorarium, are recognized during the fall Graduate School commencement ceremony and during a public lecture to the campus community. [http://www.k-state.edu/grad/faculty/distinguished/](http://www.k-state.edu/grad/faculty/distinguished/). **Nomination deadline: May 1, 2015**

- See funding opportunities for graduate students beginning on page 4 of Attachment B: ORSP Funding Connection

10. **Graduate School – Geraldine Craig, Associate Dean-Recruitment Strategies**

**Graduate School Calendar of Events**

**January**

26 Henry C. Gardiner Global Food Systems Lecture series – Robert Fraley, the executive vice president and chief technology officer for Monsanto, will speak specifically to graduate students at 3:30 in the Big 12 Room in the Union. Dr. Farley will speak to the community at 7 p.m. in McCain Auditorium. Fraley’s talk is titled, “2050: Agriculture’s Role in Mitigating Global Challenges”. [http://www.k-state.edu/globalfood/lecture-series/](http://www.k-state.edu/globalfood/lecture-series/)

**February**

1 Graduate Student Council travel grant application deadline for travel in April

2 Graduate Student Council General meeting, 12:00-1:00pm, Location TBD

3 Graduate Council Meeting (3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Union 227)

4 GSC Professional Development event, Grant Writing Workshop, 3:00pm-5:00pm, Union 226 & 227

5 GSC Student Affairs event, Tax Workshop, 2:00pm-3:00pm, Union 207

10 Deadline to submit graduate faculty nominations and course and curriculum changes for March Graduate Council Meeting

12 Capitol Graduate Research Summit, Capitol Building, Topeka (poster session, 10:00am-1:00pm)

15 Deadline to submit nominations for Presidential Doctoral Scholarship

16 Graduate Student Council Executive Committee meeting, (1:00-2:00pm – 102 Fairchild Hall)

16 GSC Student Affairs event, Parenting Panel Discussion, 7:00pm-8:30pm, Union Big 12 Room
“Negotiating & Understanding Both Salary and Non-Salary Benefits of Your Employment Offer” – guest speakers Anthony Fletcher, President and CEO My Future Consulting, Inc. and Jodi Kaus, Director of Powercat Financial Counseling, 5:00pm-7:00pm, Union 207

Graduate Program Update meeting, 8:30am-10:00am, 226 Union

March
1 Graduate Student Council travel grant application deadline for travel in May
1 Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship and Scientific Travel Awards Deadline http://www.k-state.edu/grad/financing/sarachek/
2 Submission deadline to complete iSIS Graduation Application for May graduation
2 Graduate Student Council meeting, 12:00-1:00pm, Purple Pride Room, Alumni Center
3 Graduate Council Meeting (3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Union 227)
5 Becoming Financial Independent, Powercat Financial Counseling workshop, 4:00pm-5:00pm, 207 Union
4 Graduation Deadlines and ETDR Forum, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Union Room 209
4 GSC Professional Development event, Preparing Materials for Publication, 3:00pm-5:00pm, Union 226 or 207
10 Deadline to submit graduate faculty nominations and course and curriculum changes for April Graduate Council Meeting

16-20 -----------------------------Spring Break Week-------------------------------

26 Graduation Deadlines and ETDR Forum, 1:30pm-3:30pm, Union Room 207
30 Graduate Student Council Executive Committee meeting, (1:00-2:00pm – 102 Fairchild Hall)
31 K-State State Research Forum (8:00am-5:00pm – 2nd floor Union)

- For a current list of Graduate School events, please see our website at: www.k-state.edu/grad

2014-2015 Graduate Council Meeting Dates
*February 3, 2015 April 7, 2015

*At the February meeting, the two winners of the GSC Award for Graduate Student Teaching Excellence will be recognized and presented with a certificate of achievement.