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**The Graduate Council will meet in Alumni Center Board Room on Tuesday, December 12 at 2:00 p.m.**  
On the Graduate Council Moodle Course, you will find the attached agenda as well as minutes from our most recent meeting and other meeting materials.

Past Graduate Council meeting agendas and minutes are available on the Graduate School website at <https://gradschool.louisiana.edu/faculty/graduate-council/graduate-council-minutes-and-agendas>.

C: Department Heads (FYI and agenda only)  
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Academic Deans (FYI and agenda only)  
Dr. Jaimie Hebert, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (FYI and agenda only)

# GRADUATE COUNCIL

December 12, 2023

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order ..... Dr. Amanda Mayeaux
2. Invited Guests  
  
Dr. Jaimie Hebert, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
3. Announcements and Approvals
  - A. December 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes
  - B. Thank you to judges – 3MT Preliminary Finalists Update
  - C. Spring Grad Council Dates: February 6<sup>th</sup>\*, March 12<sup>th</sup>, April 9<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>\*
4. Standing Committee Reports
  - A. Student Appeals..... Dr. Yung-Hsing Wu
  - B. Curriculum..... Dr. Nathan Roberts
  - C. Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access .....Dr. Kelly Robinson
  - D. Fellowships ..... Dr. Ryan Nelson
  - E. Graduate Faculty Membership .....Dr. Patricia Lanier
5. Old Business
  - A. Ad Hoc Committee on Ph.D. Credit Hour Requirements Recommendations
  - B. Graduate Student Key Access
  - C. Graduate Council Goals and Objectives for 2023-2024
  - D. Doctoral Hooding Ceremony and Commencement  
(Grand Marshal, Grad Council Commencement Message, Grad Council Commencement Representatives)
  - E. Proposed Graduate Admissions Policy Change Prompted by UL System Changes
6. New Business
  - A. Graduate Faculty Appeal
  - B. Request from ENGL - Preferred Names on Theses and Dissertations