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**The Graduate Council will meet in the Alumni Center Board Room on Tuesday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m.** On the Graduate Council Moodle Course, you will find the attached agenda as well as the 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://louisiana.edu/graduateschool/about-us/graduate-council/graduate-council-minutes-agendas>.

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# GRADUATE COUNCIL

February 11, 2025

## AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Call to Order ..... Dr. Nathan Rabalais
  
- II. Announcements and Approvals
  - a. December 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes
  - b. Spring 2025 Graduate Student Programming Updates:  
3MT Competition Winners and Graduate Student Appreciation Week Planning
  - c. Spring Graduate Council Dates: March 11, April 8, May 13
  
- III. Standing Committee Reports
  - a. Appeals ..... Dr. Yung-Hsing Wu
  - b. Curriculum ..... Dr. Amy Brown
  - c. Fellowships..... Dr. Ryan Nelson
  - d. Graduate Faculty Membership ..... Dr. Patricia Lanier
  - e. Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access ..... Dr. Davide Oppo
  
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Graduate Faculty Membership: Emeritus/Retired Faculty and Non-Tenured/Tenure Track Temporary UL Employees
  - b. Graduate School Request to Expand English Language Proficiency Exemption Countries
  - c. Creation of Ad Hoc Committee: Graduate Assistantship Handbook
  
- V. New Business
  - a. Catalog Revision: Summer Enrollment Requirement for Graduate Assistantship Appointments
  - b. Health Insurance for Graduate Students / Graduate Assistantships