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The Graduate Council will meet in the Alumni Center Board Room on Tuesday, March 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>.

C: Department Heads (FYI and agenda only)
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GRADUATE COUNCIL

March 11, 2025

AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Call to Order Dr. Nathan Rabalais
- II. Announcements and Approvals
 - a. February 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Graduate Education Climate Survey Summary Report
- 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 and
Dr. Meng-Ru Shih
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Graduate Faculty Membership: Emeritus/Retired Faculty and Non-Tenured/Tenure Track Temporary UL Employees
 - b. Creation of Ad Hoc Committee: Guidelines for Graduate Assistantship Handbook
 - c. Graduate School Request to Expand English Language Proficiency Exempt Countries
- V. New Business
 - a. Catalog Revision: GTA English Language Proficiency
 - b. Health Insurance for Graduate Students
 - c. Discussion of Post-Complaint/Resolution Title IX and Power-based Violence
 - i. Guests: Teresa LeDay and Andrea Bonin
 - d. Discussion about Emergency Graduate Faculty Appointment
 - i. Guest: Dean Ani Kokobobo