

December 4, 2025

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FROM: Mary Farmer-Kaiser  
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**The Graduate Council will meet in FG Mouton 207 on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 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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Dr. Jaimie Hebert, Provost (FYI and agenda only)

## GRADUATE COUNCIL

December 9, 2025

### AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Call to Order ..... Dr. Wesley Bradford
- II. Announcements and Approvals
  - a. Provost Meeting Recap/Update
  - b. November 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes
  - c. Update on Pending Provost Approvals
  - d. 3MT Competition Update
    - i. Finalists
    - ii. Save the Date: Finals on December 10 at 11:00am at the Lite Center
  - e. Spring Grad Council Dates: February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12
- III. Standing Committee Reports
  - a. Appeals ..... Dr. Heather Stone
  - b. Curriculum ..... Dr. Amy Brown
  - c. Fellowships and Awards..... Dr. Ryan Nelson
  - d. Graduate Faculty Membership ..... Dr. Frances Stueben
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Creation of Ad Hoc Committee on Committees
  - b. University Fiscal Health and Graduate Education Updates
- V. New Business
  - a. Request for Continued Graduate Faculty Membership for Departing Faculty Members
- VI. Good of the Order