

Monday, October 10, 2022  
2:30p.m. | UC Council Room

Allen, Benedict, Cieminski, Couch, Jensen, Leonard, Levin, Matchett, Muller, Parker, Senbet,  
Welsh

Mahovsky, Wieben

Lyons

### Call to Order

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The meeting was called to order at 3:32

### Approval of the Agenda

Last item of New Business (799 policy) moved to the top of the agenda by Levin  
Approved without objection

### Approval of the September 26, 2022 meeting minutes

Approved without objection

### Announcements/Chair's Report

#### Reports from Councils:

Graduate Council – Item under new business

Liberal Arts Council – Working on Direct Assessment Policies

Professional Education Council – No report

Undergraduate Council – We meet tomorrow and will discuss the S/U grading policy

Student Senate – No report

#### Special Reports

None

#### New Business

- 799 Dissertation Credits Policy – Policy presented proposing changes to 799 credit limits. The new policy should improve student tracking, program flexibility, and grading of those credits throughout a student's program.

#### DISCUSSION:

- This proposal would change the credit requirements of PhD programs to a range of possible credits. The lowest number would satisfy the requirement, but a range would be listed. Does that serve students?
- Discussion of the provision to allow no more than half of the 799 credits to be taken before a

registrar has no mechanism to monitor that. There would need to be a system to track it. Should students take 799 before a proposal is approved?

- The 12 credit minimum policy is set by UNC and can change. Other universities have very different requirements.

TO DO: Graduate Council will take this feedback and generate proposed catalog language for the new proposal.

### Unfinished Business

4-day class schedule – moved to the top of our unfinished business agenda. Levin drafted a letter to unit leaders.

#### DISCUSSION:

- Would any teaching be allowed on the day off? How much flexibility would programs have?
- The committee offered updated wording for the drafted memo.o