

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, CA**

**AS-724-11**

**RESOLUTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE  
ACADEMIC SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE TO REVIEW GRADUATE  
CURRICULA**

- 1 WHEREAS, Faculty members who serve on the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, who  
2 are always experienced in undergraduate education, do not always have experience  
3 teaching in graduate programs or in thesis supervision; and  
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- 5 WHEREAS, Some recent newly proposed graduate programs have been nontraditional  
6 programs, offered to working professionals, in special session, or online; and  
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- 8 WHEREAS, Cal Poly anticipates more graduate programs, traditional and nontraditional, over  
9 the next several years; and  
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- 11 WHEREAS, Newly proposed graduate programs and courses warrant careful review by faculty  
12 members with experience in graduate teaching and thesis supervision; therefore be  
13 it  
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- 15 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate establish a standing subcommittee of the Academic  
16 Senate Curriculum Committee to review graduate course and program proposals;  
17 and be it further  
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- 19 RESOLVED: That the *Constitution of the Faculty and Bylaws of the Academic Senate* be  
20 amended as follows:  
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- 22 To be added under VIII.H.2  
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- 24 2. Curriculum (and its subcommittees: U.S. Cultural Pluralism and Graduate  
25 Programs subcommittees)  
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- 27 To be added under I.2.b.  
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- 29 Graduate Programs Subcommittee  
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- 31 There will be a standing subcommittee of the Academic Senate Curriculum  
32 Committee responsible for the review of proposals for new/revised graduate  
33 courses and programs. The Graduate Programs subcommittee shall not be  
34 comprised of a subset of the Curriculum Committee members, but instead, the

35 subcommittee shall include one faculty member from each college with experience  
36 in graduate level teaching and supervision, the chair of the Academic Senate  
37 Curriculum Committee (or a designee of the chair), and as an ex officio member,  
38 the Dean of Research and Graduate Programs. The Graduate Programs  
39 subcommittee will forward recommendations regarding graduate courses and  
40 programs to the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, which will consider  
41 them before making its recommendations to the Academic Senate.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee  
Date: October 27 2010  
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State of California  
**M e m o r a n d u m**

To: Rachel Fernflores  
Chair, Academic Senate

Date: March 16, 2011

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President



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Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-724-11  
Resolution on Establishment of a Subcommittee of the Academic Senate Curriculum  
Committee to Review Graduate Curricula

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This is to formally acknowledge receipt and approval of the above-entitled Academic Senate resolution.