



Graduate Program Directors and Admin Roundtable
Tuesday, October 9, 2024. go.uncg.edu/gpd-meeting 3:30–4:30
Wednesday, October 10, 2024. Faculty Center 3:30–4:30

- I. Welcome and brief updates
 - a. Updates on the Impacts of Helene on Western NC
 - i. Assist students in alternatives to withdrawal by encouraging faculty, to provide flexibility, and trying to offer some options for students; incompletes are available but cause other challenges.
 - ii. SAFE Fund through Student Affairs provides up to \$1,000 for unavoidable financial hardship or natural disasters.
 - b. New student projections and enrollment targets Spring 2025–Fall 2027
 - i. Fall 2024 enrollment is up! Up by nine students and exceeded our goal by 30 students! Good work, everyone!
 - ii. Online students increased at a higher rate. Most units saw online hours increase.
 - iii. We need to provide revised three-year enrollment goals by November 5, 2024. Associate deans will work with programs to establish them.
 - iv. Units will provide numbers of new students not already enrolled in a program, i.e., students in a PBC program should only count if they're not in a concurrent program.
 - v. In response to a question about marketing resources: Enrollment Management has some printed resources, and GRS has limited items to give away at conferences, etc.
- II. Admissions updates
 - a. Direct admissions
 - i. Outstanding undergraduates are great resources, offering current undergraduate students who meet your minimum to be preadmitted before they apply; contact your admission specialist.
 - ii. Can alleviate barriers to applying for the highest standard students.
 - iii. Programs must set criteria for holistic admissions.
 - iv. Consider enrollment deposits for limited enrollment programs.
 - b. ETS session on using rubrics for holistic admissions.
 - i. Free webinar with ETS regarding specific rubrics for programs to consider things to go into admissions decisions.
 - c. Application fee waiver process change
 - i. Beginning immediately, applicants who use an application fee waiver (of \$65 from the program, i.e., waiver code) will be required to complete all parts of the application prior to submission.
 - d. AMP revision preview
 - i. AMP allows undergraduate students to earn credit for a baccalaureate and master's degree simultaneously.

- ii. Currently, students must tell us early in their careers so we can double-count these credits. There are several other challenges with the system we have in place, so we're proposing a change.
 - iii. What standard for excellence is appropriate for these students so that we can justify awarding double credit?
 - III. Enrolled student updates
 - a. Reminder about changes to probation and dismissal
 - i. "Three-strike" policy, where any combination of three grades below B (or two grades of U or F) will result in dismissal.
 - ii. The policy committee is still refining grade forgiveness.
 - iii. Fall 2024 Degree Clearance and Degree Works updates.
 - iv. Friday 11:59 is the deadline to withdraw without penalty. ITS updates start at 5 pm, which has the potential to disrupt this. Affected students should reach out to us ASAP after the deadline.
 - b. Plans of study in shared folders
 - IV. Discussion items
 - a. GPD Appointment Policy
 - i. Hasn't been revised since 2020.
 - ii. What revisions do you suggest to the responsibilities?
 - iii. What can be done about summers?
 - b. The challenges and opportunities of generative AI
 - i. I would like feedback on this as a potential topic for a graduate faculty meeting.
 - 1. Policies should be enforceable.
 - 2. Course policies up to instructors/programs?
 - 3. Thesis and dissertation policies?
 - 4. Can we look to our disciplinary societies or prominent journals?
 - V. Open Q & A