

GAAC Minutes  
 Friday, April 15, 2016 8:30 -10:00am  
 Verhaegen Hall, Room 219

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I. Approval of Minutes – Minutes of March 18, 2016 were approved unanimously

**II. Old Business**

A. **Academic Definitions (Tomazic)** – There was an extensive discussion on the Academic Definitions document. The committee went through it point by point to make sure each section works for everyone. The following points were made:

- Clarification was requested for the term “curricular” in the Purpose statement. The note differentiating masters and PhD degrees was discussed as well.
- The committee decided to change it into a separate paragraph rather than a note and to change the wording slightly (see document revised 4-15-16).
- There was discussion on the difference between a dual degree and a joint degree and whether or not this is adequately defined in the document.
- There was a proposal by the Law School to include embedded certificates in the section on Certificates. The reason for this is that there is a growing movement in Health Law to offer certificates and not concentrations in order for the students to be competitive in the job market. It was agreed to add the embedded certificates to the definitions document.

The rest of the document was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.

**III. New Business**

A. **FYI - BSDP/GH Joint Degree Program (Rebmann)** – CSJPH is proposing a joint degree program in their Biosecurity and Disaster Preparedness and Global Health degrees. The reasoning behind this program proposal was due to market demand to have a combination of Infectious Diseases and Global Health. It doesn’t require any additional resources in terms of coursework or faculty time in terms of advising.

#### **IV. Announcements**

- A. Next meeting: May 20
- B. Morgan Book Fund 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner: June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- C. GSA Symposium: April 22, 2016

#### **Talking Points:**

1. Please look over the most recent draft of the Academic Definitions document and determine which changes you would like for the next meeting.
2. Feedback is requested from the GAAC members of the need for a policy on tuition scholarship for assistants who resign. Please ask your individual units to see if this is something that is necessary.
3. The BSDP / GH joint MPH degree was approved by the committee and will be distributed for information.
4. Please let Angie know if you will not be serving on the GAAC committee next year.