

CJC Graduate Committee 2023-2024 Annual Report

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Some of our major initiatives this year include:

- Removed the GRE as a requirement for graduate applications
- Added interviews as a vetting process for PhD applications
- Sunset MAMC Political Communication online concentration
- Sunset the Health Science Concentration
- Changed graduation with distinction to be based on GPA – no vote faculty needed
- Increased the minimum GPA for Combined Degree applications
- Grant Writing course was revised to include the full research lifecycle
- Graduate student travel policy was amended to include professional development
- Nominated 2 PhD and 1 MAMC student for International Student Awards
- It was approved that on a case-by-case basis a JD can be considered in lieu of a master's degree
- The initial advisor assigned for doctoral students was changed to be called a temporary advisor
- An exit survey for all students was launched.

The meeting minutes can be found here: <https://www.jou.ufl.edu/home/about/faculty-staff-resources/faculty-committees/graduate-committee/>.