

**Date:** 24 September 2009

**To:** Ms Karen Roche  
Secretary to Senate

**From:** Dr. Philip Hicks, Dean  
Faculty of Graduate Studies

**Subject:** Graduate Council Report to Senate

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The Faculty of Graduate Studies Council met on Thursday, September 17, 2009.

**Information Items:**

The Council was informed of those approved late for graduation, May 2009, through an Enabling Motion of Senate. They are:

Mercier, Monique Krista – MA, Clinical Psychology  
Hron, Caryl Helen – MEd  
Patterson, Hiedi Elizabeth – MEd  
Wiitala, Donna-Lynn Joan, MEd  
Abera, Fasil – MSC, Eng  
Prairie, Diana Maureen – MSW

**Manager's Report** - L. Hill reminded members of the November Senate meeting deadline for calendar changes to be included in the new calendar. This year saw the Office of Graduate Studies made significant changes to General Orientation and Graduate Assistant Workshop. Feedback would be appreciated. L. Hill summarized admissions and funding information, including dates of the SSHRC and NSERC information sessions.

**Dean's Report** – P. Hicks informed members of an ongoing inventory of grad student-assigned office space. Two cross-campus tours were made over the summer and office space examined and utilization assessed. Assignments of new/returning student space will take place in late-September/early-October. A meeting was held between incoming Dean and outgoing Acting Dean for the purpose of effecting smooth transition. Dr. J. Crossman is thanked for her efficient and thorough briefing and transfer of operational duties emergent from that change-over. Note is taken of the new process of election to FGS as passed by Senate motion last April.

Philip Hicks

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