

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL**  
**ROSTER AND COMMITTEES**  
**2025-2026**

**Graduate Council Meetings  
2025-2026**

September 11, 2025	2:30 p.m.	Teams
October 9, 2025	2:30 p.m.	Teams
November 13, 2025	2:30 p.m.	Teams
December 11, 2025	2:30 p.m.	Teams
January 8, 2026	2:30 p.m.	Teams
February 12, 2026	2:30 p.m.	Teams
March 12, 2026	2:30 p.m.	Teams
April 9, 2026	2:30 p.m.	Teams
May 7, 2026	2:30 p.m.	Teams

**OFFICERS OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL, 2025-2026**

Haley Oliver, Chair ..... Vice Provost for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars

Kevin Gibson ..... Assistant Vice Provost OGSPS

David Rollock ..... Assistant Vice Provost OGSPS

**DIRECTORS OF GRADUATE STUDIES FOR ALL CAMPUSES**

Melissa Franks ..... Director of Graduate Studies (PWL)

Joy Colwell ..... Director of Graduate Studies (PNW)

Abraham Schwab ..... Director of Graduate Studies (PFW)

**GRADUATE COUNCIL 2025-2026**

***Ex Officio Members (non-voting):***

Joy Colwell.....Director of Graduate Studies (PNW)

Melissa M. Franks..... Director of Graduate Studies (PWL),  
Associate Professor of HDFS

Kevin D. Gibson .....Assistant Vice Provost OGSPS,  
Professor of Botany and Plant Pathology

Sheila F Hurt..... University Registrar

Shalom Ablavi Kpetsu.....President, Purdue Graduate Student Government

Dimitri Peroulis..... Senior Vice President for Purdue University Online & Learning Innovation

David Rollock..... Assistant Vice Provost OGSPS,  
150th Anniversary Professor, and Professor of Psychological Sciences

Abraham Schwab..... Professor of Philosophy, Director of Graduate Studies (PFW)

Rachelle Swan.....Director of Postdoctoral Affairs

To Be Determined..... Indianapolis Ex-officio member

## Graduate Council Voting Members

### Members with term ending in 2026

Nurgul Aitalieva..... Assoc Professor, Depart of Criminal Justice and Public Admin (PFW)  
Shawn Bauldry..... Associate Professor of Sociology  
Duane Dunlap.....Professor of Electrical Engineering Technology  
Patti Ludwig-Beymer.....Professor of Nursing, PNW  
Yan Ping Xin ..... Professor of Educational Studies  
Senay Purzer.....Professor in School of Engineering Education  
Carson Reeling..... Associate Professor of Agriculture Economics  
Shripad Revankar.....Professor of Nuclear Engineering  
James E. Tisdale..... Professor of Pharmacy Practice  
Joshua Widhalm ..... Associate Professor of Horticulture  
David Zwicky..... Associate Professor in the Libraries and School of Information Studies

### Members with term ending in 2027

Victor Chen.....Professor of Computer Graphics Technology  
Michelle Garrison..... Professor of Public Health  
Birgit Kaufmann ..... Professor of Mathematics  
Andrew Liu ..... Associate Professor of Industrial Engineering  
Stephanie Masta.....Professor of Curriculum and Instruction  
Frederico Rossi.....Associate Professor of Management  
Lisa Snodgrass.....Associate Professor, Higher Education & Educational Leadership  
and Policy Studies  
Zaiyan Wei.....Associate Professor of Management

### Members with term ending in 2028

Olga Dmitrieva.....Associate Professor of Experimental Phonetics, Phonology  
Venkatesh Merwade..... Professor of Civil Engineering  
Shankar Thangamani.....Associate Professor of Microbiology  
Chad Carroll.....Associate Professor of Health and Kinesiology  
Jun Xie..... Professor of Statistics

## **AREA COMMITTEES OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL:**

- A. Area Committee A: STEM**  
**Science, Polytechnic, Engineering, Business**  
Duane Dunlap, Polytechnic, chair  
Birgit Kaufmann, CoS  
Victor Chen, Polytechnic  
Andrew Liu, ENGR  
Venkatesh Merwade, ENGR  
Senay Purzer, ENGR  
Shripad Ravenkar, ENGR  
Frederico Rossi, MGMT  
Ziayan Wei, MGMT  
Jun Xie, CoS
- B. Area Committee B: ONE HEALTH**  
**Agriculture, Health and Human Sciences, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine**  
James E. Tisdale, PHAR, chair  
Chad Carroll, HHS  
Michelle Garrison, HHS  
Patti Ludwig-Beymer, PNW  
Carson Reeling, CoA  
Shankar Thangamani, VetMed  
Joshua Widhalm, CoA
- C. Area Committee C: ARTS & EDUCATION**  
**Liberal Arts, Education, Information Studies**  
Shawn Bauldry, CLA, chair  
Nurgal Aitalieva, PFW  
Olga Dmitrieva, CLA  
Stephanie Masta, CoEd  
Yan Ping Xin, CoEd  
Lisa Snodgrass, CoEd  
David Zwicky, LIBR
- D. Area Committee D: INTERDISCIPLINARY**  
Shawn Bauldry, CLA  
James E. Tisdale, PHAR  
Duane Dunlap, Polytechnic

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

Haley Oliver, chair

Area Committee Chairs: (A) Duane Dunlap; (B) James Tisdale; (C) Shawn Bauldry

Ex Officio Members: Kevin Gibson, David Rollock, Melissa Franks, Joy Colwell, Abraham Schwab

**G-R-A-D COURSE GRADE APPEALS COMMITTEE:**

2-3 members will be chosen for each appeal.

In addition, 2-3 graduate students will be added for each appeal from a list of nominated students.

**Graduate Council Contact:**

Lori Miller..... Secretary to the Graduate Council