Summary of Important Actions by Graduate Council
2018

January 2018
  o To create more elective courses for CGS students, Dr. Traktman agreed to incentivize faculty who organize and implement a new elective with a sufficient number of enrollees. The dollar amount is TBD.

February 2018
  o Council approved a revision to the Annual Evaluation form to include a check box for where the committee agrees the student is ready to prepare the dissertation.
  o Council approved a revision to the Defense Notification form requiring only the signatures of the graduate coordinator and mentor.
  o With implementation of the new University academic calendar, Council approved:
    o All CGS exams are to be completed by December 18 for the fall and 1 week before the end of the spring semester.
    o In order to accommodate spring classes, Council agreed to build in a long weekend and shorten the time between each block, rather than a full spring break.

March 2018
  o With implementation of the new University academic calendar, Council approved the fall class start date will be August 21 with CGS orientation held on August 20. Classes will end on December 17 with the last exams.

April 2018
  o Council approved a PhD stipend increase to $28,500/year effective July 1, 2018.
  o Original signatures on the Dissertation Signature Page will only be submitted to the CGS office. A typed page with typed names will be submitted to Medica.