

**Attachment I
Summary and Rationale for **FS 11/12-105/SEL**
Membership and Charge
Graduate Programs Subcommittee of the Academic Affairs Policy Committee**

This action responds to **FS 11/12-104/SEL** which created a single Policy committee (named, the Academic Affairs Policy Committee) with jurisdiction over all policy matters pertaining to the undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, and graduate curricula to replace the three current Policy committees (CPC, GSPC, and GE/GRPC), which have jurisdiction, in whole or in part, over subsets of curricular matters. **FS 11/12-105/SEL** also created a Graduate Programs Subcommittee (GPS) with a reporting relationship to the new AAPC to serve as a “workgroup” on matters related to graduate education, but did not define the membership and charge of the GPS. This action defines the membership and charge of GPS.

Links/references to documents pertaining to **FS 11/12-105/SEL**:

1. May 2011 Senate Select Committee on the Status of Standing Committee Chairs Report
2. Charge, Membership and Operations of the current Graduate Studies Policy Committee (<http://www.csus.edu/acse/chrg-GSPC.htm>)
3. Charge, Membership and Operations of proposed Academic Affairs Policy Committee (See **FS 11/12-100/SEL**).
4. September 13, 2011 memorandum from the Graduate Studies Policies Committee included in Attachment K to the March 15, 2012 Faculty Senate Agenda.

Rationale: Although there is no specific recommendation in the May 2011 Select Committee Report calling for the establishment of a subcommittee of this type, it was recommended by the 2011-2012 Select Committee to address concerns raised primarily by the current Graduate Studies Program Committee regarding workload specifically relating to graduate program matters and the need to ensure that past inattention to graduate programs does not re-occur as a consequence of the reorganization of the Senate Committee structure. The Select Committee believes that these concerns can be addressed through its recommendation to create the subcommittee with the membership and charge described in this action.