

MCL Committee Meeting – Minutes

December 9, 2022

11 – 11:30 a.m.

MDS 302 / Zoom

Attendance

Voting Faculty: Yan Bai, Sergio Davalos, Bryan Goda

Non-Voting Faculty and Staff: DC Grant, Victoria Olive, Rachel Crook

Items

1) Approve minutes from 10.24.22 meeting

Moved: S. Davalos

Seconded: Y. Bai

Eligible to vote: 4 (1 voting faculty member absent from meeting)

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstain

2) MCL applications and admissions reviews

The Chair met with the Deans from SET and Milgard to discuss a potential 2nd MCL cohort, and they confirmed that staffing shouldn't be an issue as long as the number of viable applications is significant. Both Deans also agreed to temporary pay increases for Faculty whose teaching loads will increase with the addition of a second cohort or to hire part-time instructors.

The Graduate Advisor shared the current application numbers with the committee: 10 applications have been submitted, and 84 are in progress but haven't been submitted yet. 7 applicants deferred to 2023 and have accepted their offers. The Advisor will continue to screen applications and provide a summary for reviewers in the shared document that they created (this will be shared with the committee again).

The Advisor shared that they have been meeting with students individually all year, and that about 90% of their prospective student meetings are for students interested in MCL. The first priority deadline is January 30th, but the Advisor plans on reaching out to students with missing information before the winter break to ensure that most students are prepared to submit before this deadline. The admission committee members are DC, Sergio, and Victoria.

Note about SET Hooding: SET is planning on hosting a hooding event for all graduate majors, including MCL. This event will take place on June 10th. The advisor will follow up with more details.

3) Winter quarter MCL meetings

The Chair (Yan Bai) will be on sabbatical during the Winter quarter – the interim Chair for MCL will be Bryan Goda. The only meeting scheduled for Winter quarter as of right now is on January 6th, 2023.