Graduate Representation Committee Minutes

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Attendees

☐ Simon Bortz	☐ Stephen Quinn
☐ Thomas Coleman	$\hfill\Box$ Dr. Stephen Montgomery-Smith
$\hfill\Box$ Kyle Maddox	$\hfill\Box$ Dr. Carmen Chicone

Minutes

- Meeting began with discussion with Dr. Carmen Chicone about recommendations for summer teaching policies, as follows:
 - It was mentioned that the higher paying five hour summer courses should go to more senior students but issues were raised about fairness in that regard.
 - Further it was mentioned that summer teaching offered to master's students might be somewhat unfair since they would be teaching 100% of the summers they were here, thought it was also raised that many of the masters students were going for a teaching position so they might be more competent in a teaching sense.
 - It was also mentioned that summer teaching positions could be in part an incentive to further a student's academic progress.
 - Further, it was mentioned that things external to the department should not be factored into the decision to offer summer teaching positions, like family concerns.
 - It was also mentioned that whether or not summer teaching has been offered before might be incidental to whether or not it should be offered again – i.e., that good teachers with good academic progress should be offered summer teaching, even multiple times in a row.
 - It was also mentioned that the fees associated with the requirement of a summer research credit post-comps should be taken into account when offering summer teaching positions.