

## **GIS Certificate Advisory Committee MINUTES**

March 8, 2021 2:30pm on Teams

Attendees: C. Wu, chair, L. Hu, W. Choi, R. Schneider, P. Vepraskas, Z. Xu, D. Genzmer (non-voting)  
Guests (non-voting): A. Forati, S. Borchardt

1. Called to order 2:30 pm.
2. GIS Certificate Minutes from 3/10/2020 (not the full GIS Council Minutes) approved unanimously.
3. C. Wu met with Letters and Science administration and was informed there are no funds for the Coordinator duties and faculty would be expected to take those on. L. Hu noted that N. Frank will retire from Urban Planning, heavily impacting their faculty. Discussion continued around the impact of budget cuts, increased pressure on faculty to take on additional duties, duties of the coordinator, and impact on programs should the GIS Certificate Program be suspended or eliminated.

Motion to suspend the admission of additional students into the program for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Motion by C. Wu, second by R. Schneider. 1-5, motion fails.

Committee instructs D. Genzmer to schedule a meeting in 1 month to continue the discussion of continuing, suspending or eliminating the program, and to provide documents to the group: complete and submit Certificate Review, Tuition Revenue Analysis for the Program, and duties performed by the coordinator. (L. Hu needs any available documents for Urban Planning Faculty meeting March 10, 2021, 10 am.)

4. C. Wu was nominated and unanimously elected committee chair for next academic year.
5. Appointment of coordinator for the next academic year is tabled until next meeting.
6. D. Genzmer reminded the department chairs that they need to appoint 3 members to the committee for the upcoming academic year. L. Hu requested the terms of the current members be shared with the respective department chairs.
7. Meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna G. Genzmer, GISP