1. **Posthumous Recognition of Graduate Students**

Graduate Council received a request on December 8, 2015 from the Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction (CERJ) Chair John Hunt to propose regulation changes to allow posthumous recognition of graduate students.

2. **Proposed Revisions to Davis Division Regulations 500-513**

Graduate Council received a request on March 13, 2016 from the Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction (CERJ) Chair John Hunt to provide additional clarification on the proposal from Graduate Council to revise the Davis Division Regulations 500-513. In particular CERJ would like the following addressed:

1. Can a thesis be a capstone, or is the capstone an alternative to the thesis? We believe it is the former based on 500(C)(4), but 500(B), which describes Plan I and Plan II, could be read to suggest that the thesis is an alternative to the capstone.

2. Would it be advisable to specify further the form the capstone has to take? The draft states that the “norm” shall be a thesis or comprehensive exam, but the capstone does not have to be a thesis or exam. The regulation specifies only that the capstone must be “a culminating activity that demonstrates the knowledge and skills a graduate student has acquired through their studies.”

3. Given the fact that this rule addresses the nature of the capstone, would it be advisable to place it earlier in the regulation, before the term “capstone” is discussed in connection with Plan I and Plan II?

3. **Graduate Student Mentoring Action Plan (GSMAP) Discussion – Draft Report**