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POLICY ON MEMBERSHIP IN GRADUATE GROUPS, GRADUATE PROGRAMS, DESIGNATED EMPHASES AND GRADUATE ACADEMIC CERTIFICATES

Election to graduate program membership is governed by the bylaws of the specific program. The bylaws of each department- and group-based program must specify the detailed criteria for nomination, initial election and periodic review of membership. These criteria will generally be based on academic title, disciplinary research area, research accomplishments and contributions to the program (e.g., take an active role in the administration, provided graduate level instruction, advice and supervise students).

Appointees are expected to have an active program of creative activities, practice, research or scholarship commensurate with the expectations of the University of California.

Membership in a graduate group or program does not confer eligibility of membership on dissertation, thesis, qualifying and preliminary exam committees (see GC 1998-01 for membership criteria).

Members of department-based graduate programs who do not hold academic appointments in that department will not have voting rights regarding department personnel actions, department budget decisions or undergraduate program matters.