CHASS Graduate Committee Report, Fall 2011

The CHASS Directors of Graduate Programs meet monthly to tackle a range of issues facing graduate programs, graduate program directors, and graduate faculty. This committee works to develop and support the college’s 15 masters programs and 4 PhD programs and includes representation from all CHASS departments. A sampling of the current issues facing the committee includes:

Courses, curricula, and administrative actions (on-going)

Enrollment planning

Recruitment initiatives

External Funding Opportunities, including the recently received Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT ) grant and the SAS/CHASS doctoral student support agreement

GSSP and residency issues

CHASS currently has 899 students enrolled in its graduate programs, 268 which are new enrollments. Of the total enrolled, 612 are enrolled in masters programs, 281 are enrolled in one of four CHASS PhD programs and 6 are certificate program students. The university has a total of 8,451 students enrolled in graduate programs; CHASS is 11% of that total, with new enrollments on par to track the same (CHASS enrollments make up 10% of all new enrollments).

CHASS received 1,351 applications for admission and admitted 457 which resulted in CHASS having an overall selectivity rate of 34%. With 268 new enrollments CHASS’ yield for 2011 was 59%. By comparison, the university as a whole has an overall selectivity rate of 29% and a 65% yield.

 In 2010-2011 CHASS conferred 316 post-baccalaureate degrees including 298 Masters degrees and 18 Ph. D degrees. CHASS awarded 13% of the total NCSU graduate degrees awarded (n=2,480) in 2010-2011.