

UC DAVIS

Governance and Organization

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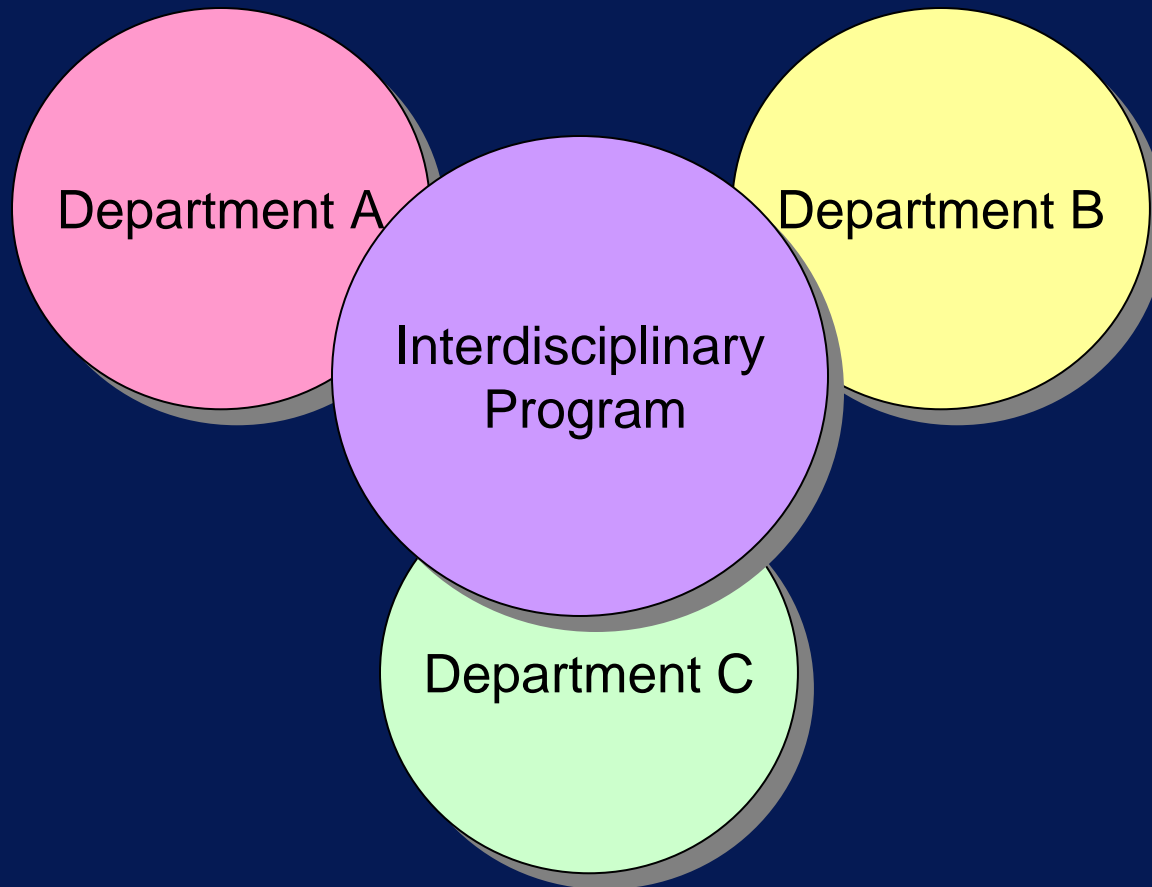
Outline

- **Organization of graduate education at UC Davis**
- **Role of the Graduate Council**
- **Changing the culture and the focus of the graduate office**

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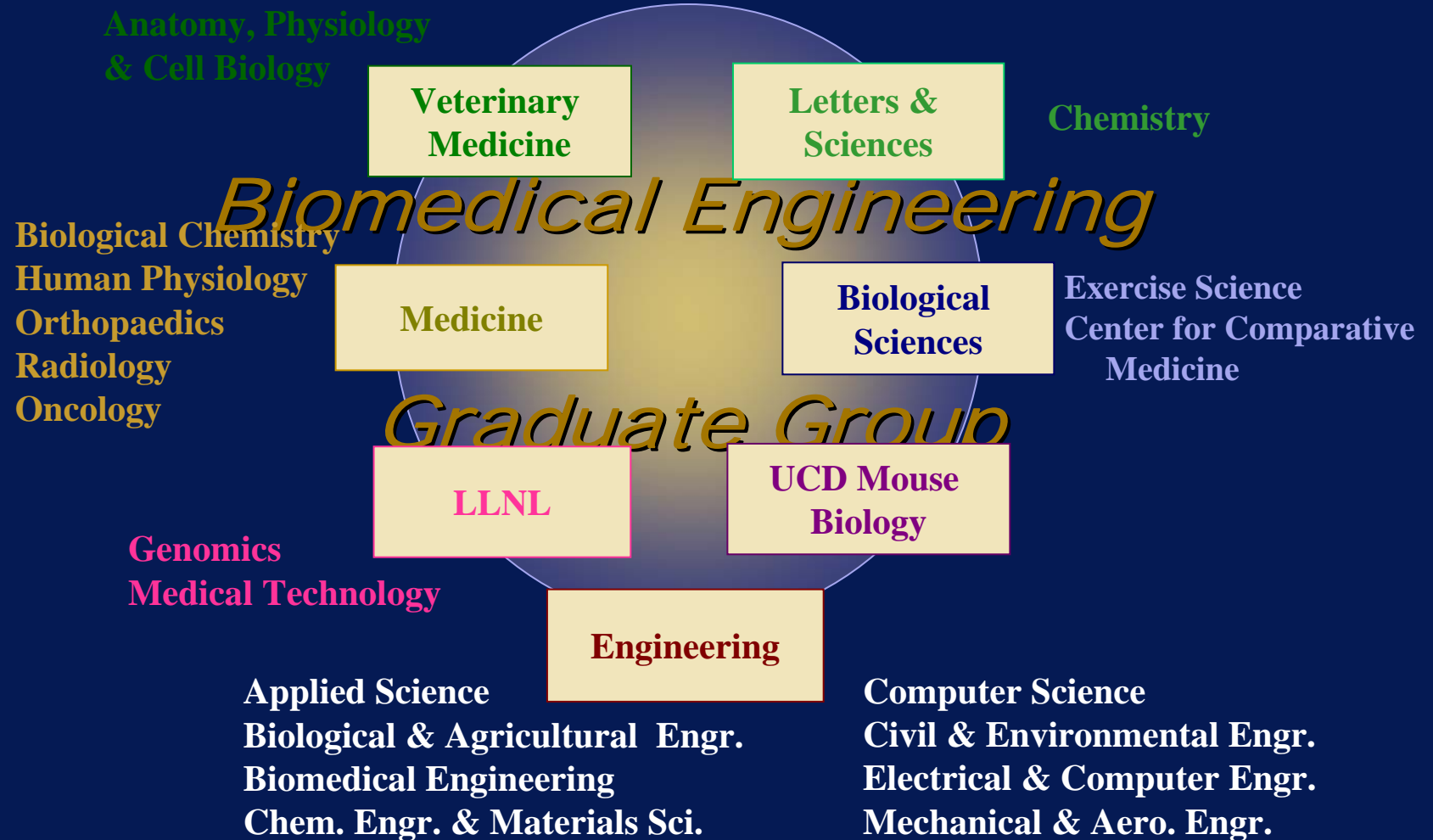
Interdisciplinary Graduate Groups



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For example...



Graduate Council

- **A committee of the Academic Senate**
- **13 faculty (appointed), including Chair, Vice Chair and Graduate Dean (*ex officio*, non-voting)**
- **4 graduate student representatives, 2 postdoctoral scholar representatives, 2 Academic Federation representatives, 2 associate deans**
- **Invited Graduate Studies staff**

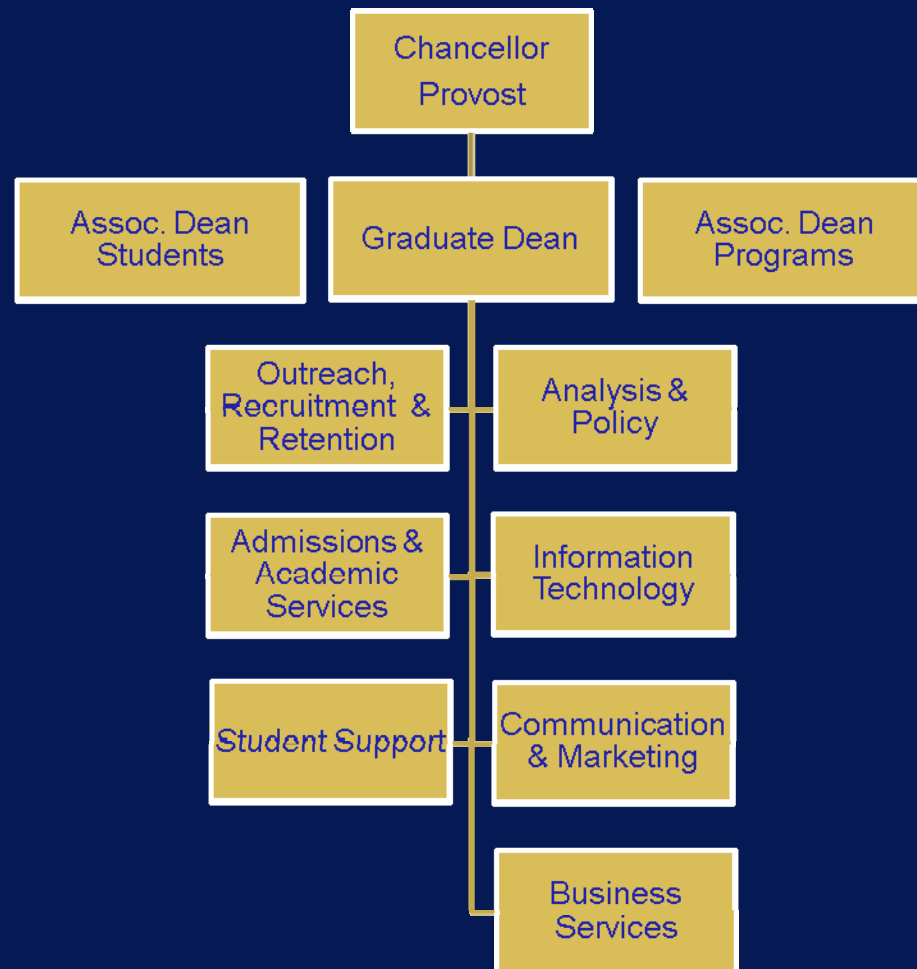
Graduate Council



Working with the Graduate Council

- Planning
- Persuasion
- Perseverance
- Patience

Office of Graduate Studies (Model A)



Changing the Culture and the Focus

- **Focus on program, not individual student**
- **Define a culture of success that is based on success of all students, not the few “best” students**
 - confront reality of completion data
 - align definition of success with program’s definition & goals
- **Provide information, tools and training to enable success**
 - Eliminate need for policy exceptions and prior approval
 - Promote program initiative
 - Minimize transaction work

Changing the Culture and the Focus

- **Provide academic leadership for graduate education**
 - offer courses in laboratory management, scholarly integrity, entrepreneurship, etc.
 - promote faculty engagement in thinking about graduate education more deeply
 - share best practices in graduate education
- **Promote diversity**