Preamble	
These By-Laws are enacted by the voting faculty of the State University of New York at	

 An ex-officio staff of members of the Administration who hold status as voting faculty under the Faculty By-Laws and whose duties and respons 	

- addition, permanent files will be kept by the Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School and posted on the Graduate School's website.
- 5. Procedures: Procedure of the meetings of the graduate faculty shall conform to the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order and may be amended by the membership. The Parliamentarian of the Graduate Council shall serve also as Parliamentarian at meetings of the Faculty of the Graduate School.

Title B. The Graduate Council

- 1. There shall be a Graduate Council empowered to act for and to represent the graduate faculty.
- 2. The Graduate Council shall consist of 29-25 members (exclusive of ex officio members). This includes 25-10 members of the academic staff of the graduate faculty who are serving as directors of graduate programs at the time of their selection. These members shall be selected by a caucus of graduate directors of their college or school, or in the case of Harpur College of Arts & Sciences, the subdivision of the college. Program directors of interdisciplinary graduate programs shall also caucus and select a representative. These seats shall be distributed as follows:

Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Fine Arts and Humanities: 1

Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Science and Mathematics: 1

Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Social Sciences: 1

School of Management: 0

Decker College of Nursing and Health Sciences: 1

Thomas J. Watson College of Engineering and Applied Science: 2

College of Community and Public Affairs: 2

School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences: 1

Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs: 1

Eleven additional members, serving three year terms, and four graduate student representatives. Twenty one shall be elected from members of the faculty holding the rank of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, or Professor and distributed as follows members of the graduate faculty shall represent each of the following units, with the following numbers of representatives:

Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Fine Arts and Humanities: 31 Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Science and Mathematics: 31

Harpur College of Arts and Sciences Division of Social Sciences: 31

School of Management: 22

Decker College of Nursing and Health Sciences: 41

Thomas J. Watson College of Engineering and Applied Science: 63

College of Community and Public Affairs: 13

_School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences: 12

-The terms of faculty of faculty shall be two years with the terms staggered.

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3.	Parliamentarian: The Associate Dean of the Graduate School will serve as parliamentarian, who shall advise on matters of parliamentary procedure at meetings of	

signatures of no fewer than 5 percent of the graduate faculty in residence. Council nominations shall be chosen from among the members of the academic staff so as to be broadly representative of the Graduate School's major academic sub-divisions. In preparing its nominations, the Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School should be cognizant of the distribution of continuing members of the Graduate Council among the various subdivisions. The total number of nominees appearing on the slate shall not be fewer than twice the number of academic staff vacancies identified on the Council for the ensuing academic year.

- 3.4. No later than April 15 of each year, the slate of at large faculty nominees approved by the Council will be distributed by ballot to the full membership of the graduate faculty. All members are eligible to vote in electing members of the Graduate Council.
- 4.5. Those elected shall include the individuals from each of the divisions of Arts and Sciences, and each of the professional schools, whenever these particular academic subdivisions do not have the stipulated numbers of continuing representatives on the Graduate Council, who receives the greatest number of votes. The remainder of the persons to be elected each year shall be those not elected by the above procedure that receive the greatest number of votes.
- **9. Interim Vacancy:** Because of faculty sabbatical leaves, resignations, or other exigencies, it is to be expected that interim vacancies will occur on the Graduate Council. It shall be the responsibility of the Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School to maintain the Council at full voting strength during each academic semester, acting in accordance with the following procedures:
 - An interim vacancy is defined as occurring when an academic staff member of the Graduate Council will be on sabbatical or other leave during an academic year or semester of his or her term, or when such member's resignation, retirement, or death occurs too late in the year for the vacancy to be filled through normal election procedure. The Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School shall be responsible for declaring the existence of interim vacancies.
 - In all cases of interim vacancies of at least one semester's duration among faculty
 members elected at large, the Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School shall
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10. Powers and Responsibilities: Although it is desirable that the membership of the Graduate Council be broadly distributed among the major constituent academic subdivisions of the Graduate School, these By-Laws do not intend that members should act as unit representatives in the work of the Council. In keeping with the principle that the graduate faculty is a corporate association of individuals having equal rights and privileges within the Graduate School, rather than a federation of schools or departments, members of the Graduate Council shall be expected to exercise their individual judgment on behalf of the entire body of graduate faculty. The principal responsibilities of the Graduate Council shall be as follows:

- 1. To establish and review general academic policy for the Graduate School.
- 2. To review and act on new graduate courses proposed by any of the constituent schools

Graduate School, or by formal petition of at least 25 percent of the Council membership. Written notices of Council meetings or sessions shall be distributed to Council members and to the administrative offices of constituent schools and departments at least two working days in advance of such meetings or sessions. If 48-hour notice has not been given, a waiver of this requirement may be moved and passed by a two-thirds vote at the special meeting or session.

1. Members of the graduate faculty holding the rank of Assistant Professor, Associate

Professor, or Professor shall have the right to attend all meetings of the Graduate Council