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I have been serving various key committees both at the department and the university. I was a Director of Graduate Studies and an executive committee (2018-2023) in Anthropology and a member of the university wide Graduate Council (2021-2023). Through my experience as a DGS and an advisor to several doctoral students, I learned key ingredients for the successful graduate education: a reasonable time frame for the degree progress by streamlining the requirement; professional interactions between advisors and advisees that are structured for a student's career; and diverse training grounds beyond traditional academic pathway. As a DGS, I was able to support our graduate students to secure aid funding and fellowships and to continue their research during the pandemic breakout.

My university level service includes the Academic Requirement Committee (2016-17, elected), the advisory board of the National Resource Center Title VI-Center for Asian and Pacific Studies, the Global Oregon Grant Review Committee, the Faculty Excellence Review Committee (2018-19), the Active Recruitment Process Committee under the Provost Office (2019-2022), the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity and Expression Committee (2020-2022), a committee chair for the Center for the Study of Women in Society director search (2021-22), the Women of Color Project committee (2017-present), and the Graduate Council (2021present, elected). Particularly through my services for the ARPC, SOGIE, CSWS, and WOC, I have committed to enhance the UO's mission for Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity. As a WOC convener (2021-2023), I have contributed to support tenure-track women of color faculty by supporting their research with distributing funding and organizing workshops as well as by mentoring junior faculty, particularly on issues related to the inclusion and diversity. Based on learning from my service experience, I am committed to improve the UO's climate and the excellence as a public university.