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Training, Monitoring, and Evaluating Graduate Teaching Assistants

In September 1993, the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina adopted a report entitled Tenure and Teaching in the University of North Carolina. With respect to graduate teaching assistants, the report made the following recommendation:

That greater efforts be made to develop and strengthen the teaching skills of graduate students, and that the Board of Governors ask the president to prepare, in consultation with the University-wide Graduate Council, a report with specific guidelines and recommendations for the training, monitoring, and evaluation of graduate students who teach courses in UNC institutions.

At the president's request, the Graduate Council, consisting of graduate deans and representatives of the graduate faculties at the various institutions, drafted a proposed set of guidelines and recommendations which were approved by the Board of Governors on June 10, 1994. The Board recognizes the procedures that UNC institutions have put into place since 1994 to ensure that GTAs are well-trained, supervised, and evaluated.

UNC institutions should continue their efforts to develop and strengthen the teaching skills of graduate teaching assistants. The president may issue guidelines on the training, monitoring, and evaluation of graduate teaching assistants and on the format required for reporting on these matters.