

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

February 10, 2020 – 104 Gore Hall

4:00 PM

January 31, 2020

TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Lynnette Overby, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate Meeting February 10, 2020

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, February 10 at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall.

The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

- I. **Adoption of the Agenda**
- II. **Approval of the Minutes:** [December 9, 2019](#)
- III. **Remarks:** Provost Robin Morgan
Matt Kinservik
- IV. **Announcements:** Senate President Matthew Robinson
- V. **Consent Agenda:** [Curriculog login with UD credentials will be required](#)

Undergraduate Proposals

[College of Agriculture and Natural Resources](#)

1. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Animal Science BS**
2. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Food Science BS**
3. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Food Science – Culinary Concentration BS**
4. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Food Science – Operations and Management Concentration BS**
5. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Food Science Major Requirements**

College of Arts and Sciences

6. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the BA in Ancient Greek and Roman Studies**
7. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the approved list of Social and Cultural Anthropology courses**
8. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Arabic Undergraduate Certificate**

9. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Art History BA**
10. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Spanish for Healthcare Minor**
11. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Cognitive Science BS**

College of Health Sciences

12. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the BS in Applied Molecular Biology and Biotechnology**

Graduate Proposals

Multiple Colleges

13. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **creation of a new Graduate Certificate in Computer Science Education**

College of Arts and Sciences

14. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Public Administration MPA**
15. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew

Robinson, Chair) for the **creation of a new Graduate Certificate in Strategic Communication**

16. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **creation of a new Women and Gender Studies Graduate Certificate**

College of Business and Economics

17. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the PhD in Economics**
18. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MBA in Strategic Leadership**

College of Education and Human Development

19. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the EdS in School Psychology**
20. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MA in School Psychology**

College of Engineering

21. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Applied Bioinformatics Certificate**
22. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Bioinformatics – Computational Sciences Concentration Certificate**

23. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Bioinformatics – Life Sciences Concentration Certificate**
24. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **creation of a new Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Informatics and Data Science**
25. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Materials Science and Engineering MMSE**
26. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Minerals, Materials and Society Certificate**
27. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MS in Robotics**

College of Health Sciences

28. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the PhD in Applied Physiology**
29. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MS in Human Nutrition – Non Thesis**
30. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on

Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MS in Human Nutrition –Thesis**

31. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Doctorate of Nursing Practice DNP**
32. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the PhD in Nursing Science**
33. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the MS in Athletic Training**

VI. Regular Agenda:

A. Unfinished Business: None

B. New Business:

1. **Academic Resolutions:** [Curriculog login with UD credentials will be required](#)

[College of Arts and Sciences](#)

1. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **request to Change the Name of Liberal Studies – Medical/Dental Scholars to Liberal Studies – Medical Scholars**

WHEREAS, the Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University no longer supports an early conditional acceptance program with the University of Delaware: be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the title of the Medical/Dental Scholars Program be changed to Medical Scholars Program to reflect the elimination of this affiliation.

2. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **disestablishment of the MA in Interaction Design**

WHEREAS, the program is nearing the end of the five-year probationary period, and

WHEREAS, the program includes cross-listed courses with the recently deactivated Master of Science in Entrepreneurship and Design, resulting in a significant loss of enrollment in program courses, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design is unable to competitively attract students to the program without the ability to offer scholarships and tuition remission to prospective students, and

WHEREAS, the value proposition to prospective students of a one-year professional masters degree in this discipline is not a strong enough attractor without significant industry relationships, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design's faculty research and teaching is not aligned with the program curriculum, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design intends to re-evaluate the value of a design-oriented graduate degree in light of the current economic conditions and to be strategic in considering a future program proposal, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval for the disestablishment of the Master of Arts in Interaction Design graduate program.

College of Business and Economics

3. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **disestablishment of the MA in Economics**

WHEREAS, the Department of Economics in the Lerner College of Business and Economics currently offers an MA degree in Economics; and

WHEREAS, due to a decline in applications and enrollment, the Department of Economics has proposed to eliminate the MA degree in Economics; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval for the disestablishment of the MA degree in Economics.

College of Engineering

4. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **request for Permanent Approval of the PhD Bioinformatics Data Science**

WHEREAS, the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Bioinformatics Data Science was provisionally approved in 2012 and is due for Permanent Status Program Review (PSPR), and

WHEREAS, the program's enrollment has grown and remained steady with all students receiving support in the form for research assistantships or fellowships, and

WHEREAS, the PSPR Evaluation Report during Spring 2019 recommends permanent status, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval of granting permanent status to the PhD in Bioinformatics Data Science.

2. Regular Resolutions (*No curriculum log in required*)

5. Recommendation from the University Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Priorities and Presidential Advisory (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Faculty Handbook section 3.4 Academic Program Review** ([Attachment 1](#))

WHEREAS, the current Academic Program Review Process was outdated and lacked detailed information on the objectives and process, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the existing Section 3.4 of the Faculty Handbook be deleted and replaced with the language in [Attachment 1](#), as well as

encouragement that the Provosts Office maintain supplemental information (provided) on their website that contains specifics to the process and procedures.

6. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Committee on Committees and Nominations (Allison Karpyn, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Faculty Handbook Section 1.3 Standing Committee System of the Faculty and its Senate – Undergraduate Studies Committee** ([Attachment 1](#))

WHEREAS, the support of the UD Libraries is essential for the success of new and revised academic programs at the University of Delaware, and

WHEREAS, the Vice Provost for Libraries and Museums is not currently a member of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, and

WHEREAS, the addition of the Vice Provost of Libraries and Museums, as a non-voting member, to the Undergraduate Studies Committee would facilitate library input to and support of new and revised programs, and

WHEREAS, the Registrar and the Associate Provost for Admissions and Financial Aid also serve in an advisory role to the committee, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that section 1.3 of the Faculty Handbook – Undergraduate Studies be amended as shown in [Attachment 1](#), to include the Vice Provost for Libraries and Museums or their designee, as a non-voting member of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, and to clarify that the Associate Provost for Admissions and the Registrar are non-voting members.

7. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (Chris Williams, Chair) with the concurrence of the Committee on Committees and Nominations (Allison Karpyn, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Faculty Handbook Section 1.3 Standing Committee System of the Faculty and its Senate – Graduate Studies Committee** ([Attachment 1](#))

WHEREAS, the graduate studies committee charge has not been updated in some time and thus titles of personnel have changed, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Studies Committee wishes to clarify its role to review graduate programs given a new Graduate College now exists to assume this role, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Studies Committee wishes to establish three non-voting advisory positions on the committee including: the Vice Provost for Libraries and Museums, the Associate Vice Provost for Graduate and Professional Education, and the Registrar, be it therefore

RESOLVED, the Graduate Studies Committee's charge be amended as shown in [Attachment 1](#).

8. Recommendation from the University Faculty Senate Committee on Promotions and Tenure (Toby Driscoll, Chair) with the concurrence of the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the **revision to the Faculty Handbook section 4.4.2 Mentoring for Faculty Promotion and Tenure** ([Attachment 1](#))

WHEREAS, mentoring is an essential element of faculty success in the Promotion and Tenure Process, and

WHEREAS, a new section 4.4.2 to promote Faculty Mentoring was approved by the Faculty Senate in December of 2018, and

WHEREAS, a clarification needed to be made that emphasizes the correct procedure for Departmental Mentoring, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that section 4.4.2 of the Faculty Handbook be slightly modified as in [Attachment 1](#) to correct this procedure.

9. Recommendation from the Faculty Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (William Rose, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Charles Boncelet, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Matthew Robinson, Chair) for the request to **extend the Admissions Test Optional Pilot program** ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Faculty of the University of Delaware to determine the educational and academic policies of admission, and

WHEREAS, increasing diversity and creating opportunity for low income and underrepresented groups is a high priority of the University of Delaware, and

WHEREAS, requiring the SAT/ACT acts as a barrier to admission for certain populations of students, particularly low-income, first-generation and students of color, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate approved, in February 2016, a four-year pilot making the SAT/ACT optional as a criterion for admitting Delaware residents effective with the entering class of Fall 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Enrollment Management was tasked with studying the SAT/ACT-optional impact on admissions and bringing before the Senate further recommendations informed by the pilot results, and

WHEREAS, the pilot has provided some desired outcomes including an increase in the number of low-income and underrepresented groups applying and being admitted to the University ([attachment](#)), and

WHEREAS, the Office of Admissions has continuously improved screening methods for the test optional group, and improvements have occurred in first-year grades, credits completed, and retention, and

WHEREAS, the University of Delaware has increased support efforts for the populations intended to be served by the pilot, that is, low income and underrepresented groups, and

WHEREAS, additional time is needed for the long-term determination of success, especially graduation rates for students in the pilot (typically both a 4- and 6-year determination in the standard for baccalaureate degree completion), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves a four-year extension for the original pilot with the condition that the Office of Enrollment Management will provide annual updates and recommendations to the Faculty Senate through the Undergraduate Studies Committee until the pilot ends with the review of the class that will enter in Fall 2024.

VII. Presentations: Timothy Dowling, Director of Student Health Services

Beth Morling, Professor, Psychological and Brain Sciences and
Matthew Trevett-Smith, Director of the Center for Teaching
Assessment and Learning
Program Educational Goals

VIII. Introduction of New Business:

Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)