

Welcome to Faculty Senate!



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Faculty Senate Meeting Reminders

- Faculty Senate is an open and public meeting
- Please, only Senators speak in the meeting, unless you are specifically called on by the Chair or Chair-elect to speak
- Please let others speak; everyone should get a chance to speak before someone else speaks twice.
- Public may address the Senate at end of the meeting during public comment.
- Be kind: always assume positive intent.

Approval of FS Minutes from September 24, 2025

- Do I have a motion to approve? Second?
- Any discussion?
- All those in favor of the motion indicate by saying aye
- Those not in favor of the motion indicate by saying nay
- Any abstaining?

FYI Updates

- Annual Founder's Day faculty award nominations due Nov. 15.
- Veterans Park dedication, Friday, Oct. 10, 3PM
- AIH outdoor arbor opening, Monday, Oct. 13, 11AM
- Academic advising for SP26 starts, Monday, Oct. 13
- Provost Lecture, Virginia Bratton, Tuesday, Oct. 21, 7PM (MoR)

- How did MyMSU switchover go?

FYI Updates

- Planned retirement of Dr. Deborah Haynes, Dean of Grad Studies
 - Concluding duties June 1, 2026
 - Nominations of faculty for search committee consideration

Undergraduate Courses and Programs

New courses

- New Courses--Second Read

- ECIV 453 : Transportation Safety
- ECIV 458 : Traffic Flow Fundamentals
- LS 335 : Food, War, and Migration: Eating Across Cultures in an Age of Turmoil
- LSCI 420 : International Angling and Fisheries Research

- New Courses--First Read

- EDU 480 : Personalizing Learning with Competency-Based Education
- EMEC 456 : The Science and Engineering of Outdoor Sports Gear

Course changes

- Course changes—Second read
 - HDFS 337 : Personal and Family Finance I -- Major changes to learning outcomes
 - HDFS 419 : STEAM: Clothing & Textiles Instruction in FCS -- Major changes to learning outcomes
 - HDFS 494 : Seminar/Workshop -- Major changes to learning outcomes
 - KIN 330 : Motor Learning and Control -- Major changes to learning outcomes
 - MAS 110 : DAF Heritage and Values I -- Title change, changes to outcomes
- Course changes—First read
 - HEE 430 : Instructional Design in Health Enhancement
 - Change in credits from 3 to 1
 - New learning outcomes
 - Changes to prereqs

Program Changes

- Program changes – Second read
 - ARTG-BFA : Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design
 - Title changed from Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art-Graphic Design Option
 - Clean up of and small changes to program details
 - ARTS-BFA : Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Arts
 - Title changed from Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art-Graphic Design Option
 - Clean up of and small changes to program details
 - SFHD-BS : Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Food and Bioenergy Systems - Sustainable Food Systems Option
 - New learning outcomes
 - Changes to program details

Program Inactivations

- Program inactivations – First read
 - FDEN-OPTION : Hospitality Management-Food Enterprises
 - Students did not enroll in this option but were interested in some of the coursework. A certificate of Food Enterprise is being proposed.

Graduate Courses and Programs

New Courses and Course Changes

- New Courses-First Read
 - EDU 580 : Personalizing Learning with Competency-Based Education
 - EDU 593 : Graduate Study Abroad
- Course Changes-First Read
 - NRSRG 620 : Advanced Pharmacology II-FNP
 - Title changed from Adv Pharm II
 - New learning outcomes
 - PSYX 505 : Psychology of Teaching and Learning
 - Title changed from Teaching of Psychology
 - Credit change from 1 to 3
 - Changes to learning outcomes

Course inactivations and changes

- Course Inactivations-First Read

- GEO 583 : Applied Geological Hydrology

- Course hasn't been taught since Fall 2007; no faculty member to teach it anymore.

- Program Changes-First Read

- MOSE-MS : Master of Science in Science Education

- Changes to learning outcomes

Dr. Alison Harmon

MSU Vice President for Research and Economic Development



Information Updates: Grad Council

- Fruitful discussion with Pres. Tessman who visited UGC this morning:
 - Looking for a more intentional growth of graduate programs (linked to a more balanced effort between growing undergrad enrollment and growing grad enrollment)
 - Looking to focus both on programs that cost us (Ph.D.s) and programs that generate revenue (professional Masters)
 - Excited about innovations like accelerated Masters degrees that feed more of our exceptional students into our own programs
- Update on Ph.D. students who might need to "Master out" (currently permissible; contact the Grad School).

Information Updates: Academic Council

- Approval of fully online AA/AS from Gallatin College
 - Partly for increasing degree completion, partly for statewide work
 - Of 200-225 students AA/AS students, maybe 25 are mostly online
- AI Institute "request to plan"
- Precision Ag minor
- Master of Science in Sustainable Food Systems offered online

Information Updates: University Council

- Approval of the "[Animals on Campus](#)" policy
- First reading of revised "[Research Misconduct Policy](#)"
- All-Staff Council is now known as "Staff Senate"

Informational Updates: Other council reports?

Information Updates:

Faculty Senator Introductions:

- (9/24: Letters & Science , Ag , EHHD)
- 10/8: Engineering, Arts & Architecture, Nursing, Business, Extension

Information Updates

- Small-group discussion
 - Noteworthy accomplishments for you and your colleagues?
- Report out

Senate Open Discussion

Public Comment

(Two minutes per person)

Do I have a motion to adjourn?
Second?

Next meeting: October 22, 2025