

4/27/26 Senate Mini-Minutes

Academic Program Approval Committee: 1. NWCCU Visit Preparation; 2. BSB Program Learning Outcome and AACSB Accreditation Alignment; 3. Assessment Requirements for Externally Accredited Programs; 4. Assessment Cycle Deadlines: April 28th for College Level Evidence of Student Learning CAC Template. October 30th for Assessment Methods added into Nuventive and for AY 2025/2026 PLO Assessment Results; 5. Course Evaluation Response Rates: Overall response rates increased by approximately 10%, Response rates of 50–55% remain common across colleges, CPP Psych Ed program achieved a notably high 72% rate, Spring Evaluations are deployed now, faculty can see daily response rates in Canvas.

Faculty Values Committee: The Faculty Values Committee held its last meeting of the year on 4/24. With the evaluation process completed for this year, we reviewed how it went to make improvements for the evaluation of senior administration next year. Evaluations of senior administration and college leadership will be biennial and in alternating years. No business other than the evaluations was brought to the FVC this year.

Graduate Affairs Council: The Graduate Affairs Council met on April 22, 2026. With our policy work completed for the year, our agenda was relatively light. Dr. Christy Gilchrist from OGRD presented upcoming changes to the OGRD website, and she solicited feedback from committee members. GAC also discussed membership and chair election for next year. We plan to vote on next year's chair at our next (and final) meeting.

Program Review Committee: The docket for PRC is set, and the provost will be emailing soon.

Undergraduate Affairs Council: During our April 23 meeting, the UAC continued to discuss the Provost and PRC's recommendations on the discontinuation of the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies major. GWSS faculty were invited to the meeting. They shared with us a 5-minute presentation and then we proceeded to have a Q&A discussion. Aware of the tight timeline we are all working under, the UAC members will meet again this coming Thursday to finalize the recommendation. The UAC also voted to confirm the PRC's recommendation to discontinue the BS in Data Science and BA in English as a Second Language.