# October 13, 2026 – Academic Program and Curriculum Committee – Agenda

**Time:** Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.

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| Present: | Anja Blecking, John Boyland, Ben Church, Dave Clark, Sandeep Gopalakrishnan, Matt Knachel, Emily Kuhnen, Linnea Laestadius, Kim Litwack, Jesse McLean, Mike Newman, Matt Petering, Sarah Riforgiate, Nathan Salowitz, Nicholas Silvaggi, Hilary Snow, Laura Stark, Erica Young |
| Absent: | Daniel Cordas, Simonetta Konewko, Aki Roberts |
| Guests: | Lisa Berger, Suzanne Boyd, Claire De La Cova, Jennifer DeRoche, Rani El Hajjar, Alex Gillen, Jay Kapellusch, Kerry Korinek, Chris Lawson, Shabnam Nikravan, Renee Scampini, Cheryl Scherkenbach, Rosemary Stelzer, Dorrie Van Kerkvoorde |

## I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 8 a.m.

## II. Announcements

### 1. Committee Reports

APC – John Boyland is a member of APC and reported that the WLC BA was discussed.

APBC – Dave Clark attended the meeting. The World Languages and Cultures BA proposal was discussed.

### 2. Undergraduate program review schedule (PDF)

### 3. School of Rehabilitation Sciences and Technology Name Change – Information Only (PDF)

### 4. Department of Administrative Leadership merger with Educational Psychology, Departmental Name Change, and Dissolution of Administrative Leadership – Information Only (PDF)

## III. Auto consent

Anthro 209, BME 311, Bio Sci 201, and English 237X were removed from automatic consent.

## 1. Approval of the meeting minutes from September 8, 2026.

## 2. Curricular changes – Review in CourseLeaf

### a. New Courses (▪ Requesting GER; * Lab Designation)

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| ARCH 208 | Architecture Internship |
| CIV ENG 370 | Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning for Civil/Environmental Engineers |
| FRSHWTR 326 | Aquatic Entomology |
| ▪ GERMAN 146 | Beer, Bread, and Brats: Perspectives on German Culture |
| GERMAN 191 | Listening and Speaking Lab: (subtitle) |
| GERMAN 315 | German Studies Topics in English: (subtitle) |
| INFOST 580 | Computing Fundamentals for IT Professionals |
| JEWISH/WLC 351 | Jews of Latin America |
| POL SCI 202 | Chart Your Path |
| WLC 420 | Multilingual Translation Workshop |

### b. Changed Courses (▪ Requesting GER; * Lab Designation)

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|---|---|
| ANTHRO 100X | General Anthropology |
| APC 440 | Web Development |
| ▪ BIO SCI 141X | Heredity |
| CHINESE 101 | First Semester Chinese |
| CHINESE 102 | Second Semester Chinese |
| CHINESE 201 | Third Semester Chinese |
| CHINESE 202 | Fourth Semester Chinese |
| CIV ENG 201 | Statics |
| CIV ENG 211 | Introduction to Energy, Environment, and Sustainability |
| CIV ENG 231 | Materials of Construction |
| CIV ENG 372 | Introduction to Structural Design |
| COMMUN 312 | Your Career and Communication |
| COMPSCI 557 | Introduction to Database Systems |
| ECON 404 | Economic Applications of Game Theory |

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| ENGLISH 206/206X | Technical Writing |
| ENGLISH 207 | Health Science Writing |
| FRSHWTR 583 | Cost-Benefit Analysis for Environmental Resource Decisions |
| JAPAN 101 | First Semester Japanese |
| JAPAN 102 | Second Semester Japanese |
| JAPAN 201 | Third Semester Japanese |
| JAPAN 202 | Fourth Semester Japanese |
| KOREAN 101 | First Semester Korean |
| KOREAN 102 | Second Semester Korean |
| KOREAN 201 | Third Semester Korean |
| KOREAN 202 | Fourth Semester Korean |
| PH 201 | Public Health from Cells to Society I |
| PH 346 | Environmental Health and Disease |
| PH 410 | True Lies: Consuming and Communicating Quantitative Information |
| ▪ PSYCH 281X | Deviant  Minds |
| PSYCH 292 | Lower Division Field Experience in Psychology |
| PSYCH 502 | Applied Behavior Analysis |
| PSYCH 677 | Experimental Social Psychology |
| PSYCH 692 | Upper Division Field Experience in Psychology |
| PSYCH 697 | Field or Research Experience in Psychology for Seniors |
| RUSSIAN 101 | First Semester Russian |
| RUSSIAN 102 | Second Semester Russian |

## c. Minor Program Changes

Additional Requirements for Certification – SOE

Applied Math and Computer Science, BS

Art History, BA

Civil Engineering, BSE

College of Nursing Minimum Undergraduate Requirements

Community Engagement and Education, BS

Community Engagement and Education, BS: Child and Family Services

English, BA

Environmental Engineering, BSE

Freshwater Sciences, BS: Water Policy

Freshwater Sciences, BS: Water Policy/Freshwater Sciences, MS: Water Policy (Profession)

Neuroscience, BS

Psychology, Minor

Public Health, BS

# IV. New Business

## 1. Courses Removed from Auto Consent

- ANTHRO 209 Work-Based Learning and Organizational Culture

The syllabus lacks GER language, and there were concerns about the logistics regarding employment.

Sarah Riforgiate moved to approve this course, and John Boyland seconded the motion.

John Boyland moved to postpone the decision and Laura Stark seconded. The motion carried.

BME 311 Artificial Intelligence in Biomedical Devices

The committee thought there were too many expensive recommended readings and suggested that the instructor clarify the purpose of these readings in the syllabus.

Dave Clark moved to approve the course. John Boyland seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- BIO SCI 201 Human Structure and Function

The syllabus was deficient in accessibility and support. The instructor clarified her plans for the students.

John Boyland moved to approve this course and Sarah Riforgiate seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- ENGLISH 237X Digital Storytelling

This is an existing Flex course requesting GER. The syllabus lists all GER outcomes but only includes assessment assignments for two of them. Historically, only one assignment was used for assessment. The instructor needs to define “photo essay” and “video essay,” and clearly indicate the writing component.

John Boyland moved to approve the course and Sarah Riforgiate seconded.

John Boyland moved to postpone the decision and Matt Petering seconded. The motion carried.

## 2. APCC Charter Revisions (PDF)

The charter is being revised to simplify the appointment process. The advisor will now be elected by the Academic Staff Committee rather than appointed by the chancellor.

Hillary Snow moved to amend the charter to convert the advisor's term to three years. John Boyland seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

John Boyland moved to amend the charter to state that faculty are elected to three-year terms. Sarah Riforgiate seconded and the motion to amend passed unanimously.

Sarah Riforgiate moved to approve the revisions to the APCC Charter. Laura Stark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## 3. World Languages and Cultures, BA (PDF)

WLC is a merger of at least five academic units, comprising 14 programs and a student support center. The merger makes programs more manageable. Individual language programs will become submajors of WLC, but minors will remain stand alone (e.g., Spanish, Minor).

Hilary Snow moved to approve the new degree program. John Boyland seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Matt Petering moved to approve submajors a-h. Dave Clark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### a. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Asian Languages

The description is clunky. What is actually required? Expressing the degree requirements in catalog language might make it easier to understand.

### b. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Dual Language

### c. World Languages and Cultures, BA: French

### d. World Languages and Cultures, BA: German

### e. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Italian

### f. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Japanese

### g. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Open Focus

### h. World Languages and Cultures, BA: Spanish

# V. Unfinished Business

## 1. Revise GER Implementation Document

a. Track Changes

b. Clean

The Accessibility Resource Center has weighed in. They determine whether there's a diagnosed disability and the program determines if there's a suitable substitution. The committee suggested that members discuss this with advisors in their areas.

Matt Petering moved to postpone further discussion. Laura Stark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.