

Agenda

Dietrich School Planning and Budgeting Committee

**Tuesday, April 9, 2025
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
910 CL Conference Room**

Council Members present: Dean Adam Leibovich (Chair); Elected Members: Paula Kane, Lara Putnam, Anne Carlson, Jennifer Keating, and Horia Dijmarescu; Dietrich School GSO Representatives: Francis Burk and Tomas Albergo; Dietrich School Staff Representatives: Ashley Martin and Meg Caruso; Appointed Faculty Members: Russell Clark and Caro Pirri

Council Members not present: Elected Members: Valerie Oke; Dietrich School GSO Representatives: João Alípio-Correa; Dietrich School Staff Representatives: Dylan Nicholas Knapp-Scott; Appointed Faculty Members: José Cheibub

Dean's Office Personnel present: Associate Dean, Graduate Studies Jon Woon, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig, Associate Dean, Research and Faculty Recruitment Hannah Johnson, Associate Dean, Faculty Affairs Todd Reeser, Associate Dean, Equity, Faculty Development, and Community Engagement Natasha Tokowicz, Executive Director for Administration Jessica Hatherill, Senior Director of Undergraduate Studies and CGS Derek Fischer, Executive Director of Financial/Physical Resources Patrick Cunningham, Executive Director of

Development Joshua Bow, Director of Communications and Undergraduate Recruitment Carol Mullen, Senior Director for Budget and Finance Mathew Romick, Director of Executive Operations Maryellen Gannon, and Administrative Coordinator Emma Wallace-Potts

Dean's Office Personnel not present: N/A

Minutes

1. Updates (Dean Adam Leibovich)

Dean Leibovich thanked everyone for coming and shared an overview of budgeting updates for consideration.

2. Muslim Culture and Societies Studies Program Proposal (Dean Adam Leibovich and Associate Dean Adriana Helbig)

Attachment: MCS program proposal

Dean Leibovich and Associate Dean Helbig presented the proposal.

Council unanimously voted to move forward to next steps with the formation of the program

3. Annual Report Directions (Dean Adam Leibovich and Executive Director Jessica Hatherill)

Attachment: ALT Unit Annual Report Directions 2024 – 2025

Dean Leibovich and Executive Director Hatherill reviewed the guidelines for the school's annual report to the Provost's Office.

4. Open Discussion

Dean Leibovich opened the floor for Council members to voice questions and concerns. Discussion ensued.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

**Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences
Council Meeting Minutes**

**April 22, 2025
11:00 am-12:00 pm
910 CL Conference Room**

Council Members present: Dean Adam Leibovich (Chair), Associate Dean for Graduate Studies Jonathan Woon (Vice Chair); Elected Members: Brian Stewart, Caro Pirri, Drew Armstrong, Jennifer Waldron, Chiara Montera, Liann Tsoukas, Russell Clark, and Satish Iyengar; Divisional Chair Representatives: Adam Shear, Margaret Judd, and Yu Cheng

Council Members not present: Elected Members: Jon Johnson, José Cheibub, and Robin Brooks; Dietrich School GSO Representatives: Laura Beghini Chelidonopoulos; Dietrich School SGB Representatives: Mercy Akanmu and Sophia Chebli

Dean's Office Personnel present: Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs Todd Reeser, Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Recruitment Hannah Johnson, Associate Dean for Equity, Faculty Development, and Community Engagement Natasha Tokowicz, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig, Executive Director of Administration Jessica

Hatherill, Senior Director for Undergraduate Studies and the College of General Studies Derek Fischer, Director of Executive Operations Maryellen Gannon, Administrative Coordinator Emma Wallace-Potts

Dean's Office Personnel not present: N/A

Minutes

Dean Leibovich welcomed the Council members and thanked them for attending.

1. Dean's Report (Dean Adam Leibovich)

Dean Leibovich presented the report.

**April 22, 2025
Dean's Report**

- Lise Vesterlund – Department of Economics – receive an honorary doctorate from Copenhagen Business School
- Nastasia Mauger, a postdoctoral researcher in the Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences, has been awarded the 2024 Ada Lovelace Award from the Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe (PRACE)
- Burcu Savun – Department of Political Science – received the Provost's Award for Excellence in Doctoral Mentoring
- James Coleman – Department of French & Italian – won the Giles Constable Award from the Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation
- The Dietrich School congratulated the following Student Awards winners:

- Dietrich School Dean's Scholar Award – Shannon Seidel, Emma Whittaker, Tyler Gordon, Santiago Cane, and Brandi Ramcoobeer
 - CGS Student of the Year – Meriem Boukaabar
 - Perseverance Award – Trevor Faulkner, Casper McGinnis, Mason Liddick, Vanessa Rodgers, Erika Mizumoto, Manoj Kuppusamy, and Ian Neumaier
 - Service Award – Emily O'Neil, Grace McCullough, Sydney Weiss, Neeha Kolli, Layne Shaffer, Kyla Walker, Neha Devineni, Lauren Weaver, Rahul Patel, Skyler Rehback, Claire Sullivan, Shanthi Mayadam, Jenneke De Haan
 - Erica Fanselow – Department of Neuroscience and Marylou Gramm – Department of English – received the 2025 Tina & David Bellet Teaching Excellence Award
 - Angela Petsis – Academic Advisor and Ellen Kelsey – Department of Biological Sciences – received the 2025 Ampco-Pittsburgh Prize for Excellence in Advising
 - Fernando Tormos-Aponte – Department of Sociology – won an American Sociological Association award for the Distinguished Early Career Scholar Award in the Collective Behavior and Social Movement Section of the ASA
 - Tao Han – Department of Physics & Astronomy – received the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Distinguished Alumni Award and the APS 2025 Mentoring Award at the American Physical Society (APS) Global Physics Summit
 - Michael Sawyer – Department of English – recently published his new book titled "Sir Lewis," celebrating the rise of Formula One racer and social justice icon Lewis Hamilton
 - Shannon DeMateo - Academic Advising Center - Provost's Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Student Success - Professional Staff Academic Advisor Award
 - Michael Meyer - Department of English - Provost's Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Student Success - Faculty Advisor and Mentor Award
 - Piotr Hajlasz - Department of Mathematics - Chancellor's Distinguished Research Award - Senior Scholar Award
 - Rachel Bezanson - Department of Physics and Astronomy - Chancellor's Distinguished Research Award - Junior Scholar Award
 - Olga Klimova - Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures - Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award
 - David Nero - Department of Physics and Astronomy - Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award
2. Report from Dietrich School Undergraduate Council (Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig)
- Associate Dean Adriana Helbig presented the reports. Discussion ensued. Dean Leibovich clarified that it was premature for Council to consider the Muslim Cultures and Societies certificate as a program would need to be created first. Additional discussion about the MCS

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program continued under the following agenda item.

Each of the three reports were moved, seconded, and approved by Council.

March 19, 2025 Dietrich School Undergraduate Council
Report to Dietrich School Council
March 27, 2025

New business:

1. Program Proposals:

a. Muslim Cultures and Societies Certificate and Program- The Dietrich School Undergraduate Council reviewed the proposal to offer a Muslim Cultures and Societies Certificate managed by a Muslim Cultures and Societies Program.

i. The Certificate combines courses already taught in Anthropology, Arabic Program (Linguistics), English, History, History of Arts and Architecture, Political Science, Religious Studies, Sociology, and Studio Arts departments, with a focus on cultures, arts, literary production and social issues of communities where Islamic culture is predominant.

1. The requirements as proposed include a minimum of 18 credits following the following format:

a. 1 Gateway Course: Either SOC 1366, RELGST 0445, or HIST 0753

b. 1 Historical Cluster Course: Either HIST 0752, HIST 1225, HIST 1753, HIST 1787/RELGST 1642 or RELGST 1456

c. 1 Contemporary Cluster Course: Either ANTH 1755, ARABIC 1615, TURKSH 1615, HIST 1763, RELGST 1450, SOC 0317, SOC 0339, SOC 1359, SOC 1362, or PS 1351

d. 1 Arts and Literature Cluster Course: Either ARABIC 1620, ARABIC 1635, ARABIC 1645, ARC 0114, RELGST 1452, or one of two courses currently in development (Voices of Defiance, and Social Issues in the Arab World)

e. 2 Electives: From the above clusters or ARABIC 0101 through ARABIC 0106, ARABIC 0121 through ARABIC 0126, TURKSH 0101 Through TURKSH 0108, PERS 0101 through PERS 0108.

ii. The proposal for the certificate was moved, seconded, and passed.

iii. Muslim Cultures and Societies Certificate approved.

iv. The Muslim Cultures and Societies Program would oversee the certificate. Amani Attia would serve as both Program Director and Student Advisor, while faculty will work on courses in their own departments

v. The proposal for the program was moved, seconded, and passed.

vi. Muslim Cultures and Societies Program approved.

2. Course to Meet General Education Requirements:

a. ANTH 1808 Himalayas to the Andes proposed to meet Social Science, Natural

Science and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

i. Motion to approve as Social Science gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. Motion to approve as Natural Science gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iii. Motion to approve Cross-Cultural Awareness gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iv. ANTH 1808 approved for Social Science, Natural Science and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

b. CHIN 0006 Chinese for Heritage Speakers proposed to meet the Second Language general education requirement

i. Motion to approve as Second Language gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. CHIN 0006 approved for the Second Language general education requirement.

c. SLAV 1400 Protest Culture and Art in the Post-Soviet Space proposed to meet The Arts and Global Issues general education requirements.

i. Motion to approve as The Arts gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. Motion to approve as Global Issues gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iii. HIST 0714 approved for The Arts and Global Issues general education requirements.

March 26, 2025 Dietrich School Undergraduate Council

Report to Dietrich School Council

April 22, 2025

New business:

1. Program Proposals:

a. Musical Theatre Certificate- The Dietrich School Undergraduate Council reviewed the proposal to offer a Musical Theatre Certificate offered by the Theatre Arts and Music departments to help students develop a comprehensive understanding of musical theatre through the exploration of musical theatre history, theory and practice (including performance, music, dance and design).

i. The requirements as proposed include a minimum of 21 interdepartmental credits following the following format:

1. 12 credits of required courses in the department of Theatre Arts
2. 6 credits of required courses in the department of Music
3. 3 elective credits from a selection of courses offered in both departments

ii. The proposal for the certificate will be voted on in the next Dietrich School Undergraduate Council Meeting on April 9th.

2. Course to Meet General Education Requirements:

a. ANTH 1562 Living with Herds: The Archaeology of Nomadic Pastoralism proposed to meet Historical Analysis and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

- i. Motion to approve as Historical Analysis gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
- ii. Motion to approve Cross-Cultural Awareness gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
- iii. ANTH 1562 approved for Historical Analysis and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.
- b. ANTH 1563 Peoples of the North Past and Present proposed to meet Diversity and Global Issues general education requirements.
 - i. Motion to approve as Diversity gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
 - ii. Motion to approve as Global Issues gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
 - iii. **ANTH 1563 approved for Diversity and Global Issues general education requirements.**
- c. JPNSE 0014 Beginning Japanese 4 proposed to meet Second Language general education requirement.
 - i. Motion to approve as Second Language gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
 - ii. **JPNSE 0014 approved for Second Language general education requirement.**
- d. HIST 1664 History of Appalachia proposed to meet Diversity and Historical Analysis general education requirements.
 - i. Motion to approve as Diversity gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

- ii. Motion to approve as Historical Analysis gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
- iii. **HIST 1664 approved for Diversity and Historical Analysis general education requirements.**
- e. RELGST 1403 Gender, Sexuality and Religion in South proposed to meet Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirement.
 - i. Motion to approve as Cross-Cultural Awareness gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
 - ii. **RELGST 1403 approved for Cross-Cultural general education requirement.**
- f. THEA 1406 Musical Theatre Appreciation proposed to meet The Arts general education requirement.
 - i. Motion to approve as The Arts gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.
 - ii. **THEA 1406 approved for The Arts general education requirement.**

April 9, 2025 Dietrich School Undergraduate Council

Report to Dietrich School Council

April 22, 2025

New business:

1. Program Proposals:

- a. Musical Theatre Certificate- The Dietrich School Undergraduate Council reviewed the proposal to offer a Musical Theatre Certificate offered by the Theatre Arts and Music departments to help students develop a comprehensive understanding of musical theatre through the exploration of

musical theatre history, theory and practice (including performance, music, dance and design).

i. The requirements as proposed include a minimum of 21 interdepartmental credits following the following format:

1. 12 credits of required courses in the department of Theatre Arts
2. 6 credits of required courses in the department of Music
3. 3 elective credits from a selection of courses offered in both departments

ii. The proposal for the certificate was moved, seconded, and passed.

iii. Musical Theatre Certificate Approved

2. Course to Meet General Education Requirements:

a. ANTH 0718 Peoples and Cultures of the Caribbean proposed to meet Social Science, Geographic Region and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

i. Motion to approve as Social Science gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. Motion to approve as Geographic Region gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iii. Motion to approve Cross-Cultural Awareness gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iv. ANTH 0718 approved for Social Science, Geographic Region and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

b. ASTRON 0088 From Stonehenge to Hubble proposed to meet Historical Analysis and Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirements.

i. Council felt the proposal for Historical Analysis needs further information. The department will be asked to create a new proposal and revise the syllabus for revision of the Historical Analysis requirements.

ii. Motion to approve Cross-Cultural Awareness gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iii. ASTRON 0088 approved for Cross-Cultural Awareness general education requirement.

c. CLASS 1185 Sci Fi and the Ancients: Futures of the Past proposed to meet Literature general education requirement.

i. Motion to approve as Literature gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. CLASS 1185 approved for Literature general education requirement.

d. KOREAN 1070 World of Korea proposed to meet Geographic Region general education requirement.

i. Motion to approve as Geographic Region gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved

ii. KOREAN 1070 approved for Geographic Region general education requirements.

e. MUSIC 1445 Creative Multimedia proposed to meet Creative Work general education requirement.

i. Motion to approve as Creative Work gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. MUSIC 1445 approved for Geographic Region general education requirement.

f. SPAN 1844 Contemporary Latin American Literature in Translation proposed to meet Literature and Geographic Region general education requirements.

i. Motion to approve as Literature gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. Motion to approve Geographic Region gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

iii. SPAN 1844 approved for Literature and Geographic Region general education requirements.

g. THEA 1331 New Performance Methods proposed to meet Creative Work and The Arts general education requirements.

i. Motion to approve as Creative Work gen. ed. was made, seconded, and approved.

ii. Council felt the proposal for The Arts needs further information. The department will be asked to create a new proposal and revise the syllabus for revision of The Arts requirements.

iii. THEA 1331 approved for Creative Work general education requirement.

h. KOREAN 1908 Directed Writing for Majors proposed to meet the Writing Intensive general education requirement.

i. Course reviewed by Jean Grace prior to Council meeting. Jean Grace approved as a Writing Intensive gen. ed.

ii. KOREAN 1908 approved for Writing Intensive general education requirement.

3. Other Business

a. Korean Minor added new courses toward fulfilling minor requirements.

b. Russian Major reduced the Honors Major GPA from 3.75 to 3.5

3. Proposal for a Muslim Cultures and Societies Program (Dean Adam Leibovich and Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig)

Associate Dean Adriana Helbig presented the proposal. Discussion ensued. Dean Leibovich clarified that the dean would appoint a program director and determine related compensation. He further explained that the creation of a program would need to be approved by the Office of the Provost. He asked for a show of hands indicating support of the proposal moving forward and all were in favor.

4. Proposal for Musical Theatre Certificate in the Theatre Arts Department (Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig)

Associate Dean Adriana Helbig presented the proposal.

The proposal was moved, seconded, and approved by Council. The certificate will move to PACUP for review and approval.

5. Report on the College of General Studies (Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and CGS Adriana Helbig)

Associate Dean Adriana Helbig presented the reports.

College of General Studies Council Report to Dietrich School Council
April 9, 2025

March 12, 2025- College of General Studies Council Meeting

New business:

1. MPCOMM/English/Communications/Media Design Certificate Continued Discussion to potentially establish online versions of existing DSAS majors targeted toward CGS students.
 - a. Andrew Lotz and Adriana Helbig updated the council on the progress made in developing each program and briefly discussed budgetary impacts. CGS advisors shared students' thoughts on the current MPCOMM program, as well as concerns that removing this program may impact study abroad opportunities for non-traditional students. Ali volunteered to help connect courses in the program with courses abroad.
 - b. The Council will vote on this proposal at the next meeting (April 9th).
2. Law, Criminal, Justice and Society (LCJS) Major Revision of Course Requirements
 - a. Wes Hiers shared the outline of his proposed revision of course requirements to the LCJS major curriculum which includes reducing the menu of electives from two lists down to one, as well as adding non-LCJS courses. The Council voted in support of moving the proposal

toward a formal review once it is in Curriculog.

3. CGS Student Government Updates
 - a. Student council has elected three positions from returning members: President (Matt Tang), Vice President (Hannah Kuzmiak) and Engagement Chair (Maddie Justice). Interviews for remaining positions will occur in April. Upcoming CGS Student Government Events include an Alumni event March 20th, Excellence Reception April 8th, and Senior Send Off April 22nd.

College of General Studies Council Report to Dietrich School Council
April 22, 2025

April 9, 2025- College of General Studies Council Meeting

New business:

1. CGS Student Government Updates
 - a. Student council is continuing their election process for next year's board. The CGS Alumni networking event went well. Upcoming CGS Student Government Events include the Senior Send Off, and a barbeque for finals with finals care packages given to students.
2. Media and Professional Communications (MPCOMM)/English/Communications/Media Design Certificate Continued Discussion to potentially establish online versions of existing DSAS majors targeted toward CGS students.
 - a. The online Public and Professional Writing (PPW) major
 - i. The College of General Studies Council reviewed the proposal to offer

an online parallel version of the 33-credit Public and Professional Writing undergraduate major which would be housed in the College of General Studies and targeted toward their students.

ii. The requirements as proposed include completion of 33 credits following the following format:

1. 5 core courses (ENCMP 0420, 0560, 1551, 1910, and CGS 1900)
2. 3 ENCMP courses at the 1000-level or above
3. 3 elective courses at 400-level or above

iii. The proposal for the major was moved, seconded, and passed.

iv. The online Public and Professional Writing (PPW) major Approved.

b. Andrew Lotz and Adriana Helbig will work the Communications department on the Strategic Communication and Media Professionals (SCMP) Major, and with the Film Studies and Studio Art departments on the Media Design Certificate. These proposals will appear before CGS Council in the fall.

c. These three proposals (PPW, SCMP, and the Media Design certificate), once approved, will move forward together to PACUP alongside a proposal to terminate MPCOMM.

6. Report from Dietrich School Graduate Council (Associate Dean for Graduate Studies Jonathan Woon)

Associate Dean Jonathan Woon presented the report.

The report was moved, seconded, and approved by Council.

Dietrich School Graduate Council Report

April 15, 2025, Meeting

1. Associate Dean's Updates

Associate Dean Woon provided an update about graduate admissions and ongoing concerns for international students. OIS attended the most recent DGS brown bag to provide information and answer questions from programs. OIS continues to offer immigration lounges twice weekly and resources via their website. Students can also communicate directly with their immigration specialists in OIS.

Key upcoming events include Graduate Commencement on May 1, featuring speaker Linda Wharton Boyd, Ph.D.; the Graduate Summer Writing Scholars Program from May 5–8; and the second annual Bird and Nature Walk on May 9. Appreciation was extended to outgoing Graduate Council members.

2. Assistant Dean's Updates

Assistant Dean Capo shared that K. Leroy Irvis Fellowship offers have been extended. Recruitment efforts for HMB are ongoing, with updates expected within the next month. Assistant Dean Coutanche confirmed that competitive fellowship letters are being sent to the students.

3. Astrophysics PhD Program Proposal

Associate Dean Woon welcomed a visitor from the Department of Physics & Astronomy to present a proposal to formally establish an Astrophysics Ph.D. degree. The proposed structure is similar to the current Astrophysics track of the Physics Ph.D. program, designed with an emphasis on getting students engaged in research in astrophysics more quickly and joining a research group as soon as possible. Graduate Council members agreed with the rationale presented by the department that a separate PhD degree would enhance the visibility and reputation of the program.

Graduate Council voted in favor of approving the Astrophysics Ph.D.

4. Political Science TA/TF Review

The Subcommittee presented a revised report with minor clarifications.

Graduate Council voted to approve the report and send to the department.

5. Psychology TA/TF Review

The subcommittee presented the revised report, clarifying information about TA assignments and availability of mentoring and supervision in the summer. Additional revisions were suggested and the final report will be circulated electronically for approval.

6. Academic Integrity Subcommittee

Council members discussed sharing the current version with program directors for additional feedback.

7. Assessment Pilot Renewal

Council members discussed the benefits of continuing the revised assessment process, with suggestions for streamlining the timeline, with a formal extension to be considered in Fall 2025.

7. Proposal for an Astrophysics Ph.D.
(Associate Dean for Graduate Studies Jonathan Woon and Andrew Zentner, Chair of Physics and Astronomy)

Chair Andrew Zentner presented the proposal.

The proposal was moved, seconded, and approved by Council. This proposal will now move on to University Council on Graduate Study for review and approval.

8. Teaching Assessment Plan Update
(Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs Todd Reeser)

Associate Dean Reeser reviewed the requirement to develop a school-wide teaching assessment plan, the work the Teaching Assessment Plan Committee has completed to date, and next steps. Discussion ensued.

9. Other Business

Dean Leibovich highlighted a Next Step Alert for Director for the College of General Studies and Assistant Dean for Online Education, a new faculty leadership role.

Council adjourned with no further business.