Faculty Senate Update

Dr. Matthew Close, Faculty Senate President

Current Item: GenEd Implementation

High-Level Timeline

- ➢ Early Sept 2025: Form Steering Committee & Subcommittees
- ➢ Sept 2025 - Jan 2026: Curriculum & Assessment Phases
- ➢ Oct 2025 - Mar 2026: Technology & RADF 101 Development
- ➢ Feb 2026: Steering Committee Approval for Catalog Changes
- ➢ Spring 2026: Implementation Pilot & Advisor Training
- ➢ Fall 2026: Pilot RADF 101
- ➢ Fall 2027: Full Launch

Current Items: A.I.

➢ AI Core Team formed in Summer 2025

➢ The AI Core Team made recommendations for the creation of two AI task forces to draft guidance and best practices for AI learning and use across the University
   ➢ Research and Scholarship
   ➢ Reaching and Pedagogy

➢ AI Core Team participating in the 2025-2026 AAC&U Institute on AI, Pedagogy, and the Curriculum (September 11, 2025-April 11, 2026)
   ➢ Goal: "help departments, programs, colleges, and universities respond effectively to the challenges and opportunities artificial intelligence (AI) presents for courses, curricula, and higher education in general."

Current Items: COACHE Report

➢ COACHE Survey Data and Summary Report available to designated members Summer 2025

➢ Review, Summary and Communication of Results by Faculty Senate Campus Environment Committee and Assistant Provost for Faculty and Curriculum

➢ Summary Report for BOV at Full Board Meeting

Current Items: UIGRC

University Internal Governance Review Committee (2025-2026)

➢Quadrennial Review of Shared Governance Documents and Processes
  ➢IG Committee and Council Structure and Function
  ➢Revisions (editorial and substantive) to IG Documents

➢Concludes May 2026

Current Items: Approved Recommendations

Handbook Motions (for future BOV consideration)

➢ **Motion 25-26.10: Motion to Revise the Faculty Handbook to Include the College of Nursing**

➢ **Motion 25-26.11: Motion to Remove College of Graduate Studies and Research and Graduate Faculty Classification Language from the T & R Handbook**

Current Items: Approved Recommendations

Curriculum Motions

* ➢ **25-26.13: Motion to Merge the B.S. and B.A. in Geology and the B.S. and B.A. in Geospatial Sciences into the B.S. in Geospatial and**
* **Earth Sciences**

➢ **25-26.14: Motion to Delete the B.S. in Biomedical Sciences**

➢ **25-26.15: Motion to Revise the B.S. in Foods and Nutrition**

➢ **25-26.16: Motion to Delete the Certificate in Accounting**