



SENATE AGENDA

Hybrid Meeting – SBC, Waterloo
Monday, January 27, 2025, 2:30 – 5:15 p.m.

1. Open Session

- a. Call to Order & Approval of the Consent Agenda, D. MacLatchy
Motion: that Senate approve the Consent items listed for approval under item 7.a.
- b. Leadership Update
 - i. Report of the President, D. MacLatchy
 - ii. Report of the Provost and VP: Academic, H. Northwood
- c. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes, D. MacLatchy

2. Reports and Recommendations from Standing Committees

- a. Senate Academic Planning Committee, H. Northwood
 - i. Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, B. McKay
 - a) Major Modification, Game Design and Development
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements and mode of delivery of the Honours BA Game Design and Development.
 - b) Major Modification, Game Design and Development
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to the program requirements and mode of delivery in the Honours BA Game Design and Development in Combination with another Honours BA Program.
 - ii. Faculty of Education, M. Cantalini-Williams
 - a) Major Modification, Faculty of Education
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of the FNIM teachable to the list of options within the Bachelor of Education program.

- iii. Lazaridis School of Business and Economics, K. Murray
 - a) Major Modification, Business
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the deletion of the "Entrepreneurship Core" from the Undergraduate Academic Calendar.

- iv. Faculty of Liberal Arts, B. McKay
 - a) Major Modification, Youth and Children's Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Youth and Children's Studies.

 - b) Major Modification, Human Rights
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the Human Rights program to discontinue offering and delete the International Development Specialization Option.

 - c) Major Modification, Digital Media and Journalism
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the deletion of the DMJN Issue Advocacy Option.

- v. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, B. Wolfe
 - a) Major Modification, PhD in English and Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the degree requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy in English and Film Studies.

 - b) Major Modification, Master of Finance
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of a methods field to the Waterloo full time MFin program.

 - c) Major Modification, MSc in Health Sciences
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of a coursework option for degree completion to the MSc in Health Sciences program.

vi. Faculty of Science, A. Clarke

- a) Major Modification, Psychology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of an undergraduate Minor in Mental Health and Well-Being.
- b) Major Modification, Psychology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of an undergraduate Specialization in Mental Health and Well-Being.
- c) Major Modification, Faculty of Science
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Science.
- d) Major Modification, Faculty of Science
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of the Medical Foundations Partnership Option (Medical Foundations Partnership Option).
- e) Major Modification, Faculty of Science
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the proposed change to allow adjunct credentials in the Honours BSc Science program.
- f) Major Modification, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of the General BSc Biology program.
- g) Major Modification, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the closure of the Honours BSc Water Science and Environmental Health program.
- h) Major Modification, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the deletion of the Water Science and Environmental Health Research Specialization.
- i) Major Modification, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the deletion of the Environmental Science Option.

- j) Major Modification, Geography and Environmental Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of the Fleming College diploma in Conservation Biology to the list of diploma programs from which Fleming College graduates may transfer directly into the Laurier Honours BA Environmental Studies in Combination with Fleming College Programs, pursuant to the Fleming-WLU Articulation Agreement.

vii. Faculty of Arts, S. Lachapelle

- a) Major Modification, Anthropology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Anthropology.
- b) Major Modification, Archaeology & Heritage Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Archaeology and Heritage Studies.
- c) Major Modification, Cultural Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Cultural Studies.
- d) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to course requirements in the Film Production Specialization, Film Production Option, and Film Studies Minor.
- e) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of a new specialization in National Cinema in the Honours BA in Film Studies.
- f) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the addition of the Vancouver Film School 'Digital Design' program to the VFS-Laurier Pathway.
- g) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to program requirements for the Honours BA in Film Studies and the Honours BA Film Studies in Combination with another Honours BA program.

- h) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Film Studies.
- i) Major Modification, Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to the transfer credits for the Vancouver Film School programs included in the VFS-Laurier Pathway.
- j) Major Modification, English
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a three-year General English BA.
- k) Major Modification, Global Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Global Studies.
- l) Major Modification, Languages and Literatures
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in French.
- m) Major Modification, North American Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in North American Studies.
- n) Major Modification, Political Science
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Political Science.
- o) Major Modification, Philosophy
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Philosophy.
- p) Major Modification, Religion and Culture
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Religion and Culture.

q) Major Modification, Sociology

Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the creation of a General BA in Sociology.

b. Senate Executive and Finance Committee, D. MacLatchy

i. 2025-2026 Tuition Fee Report, J. Fraser / R. Reid

Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Executive and Finance Committee, Senate recommend the Board of Governors approve the 2025-2026 Tuition Fee Report as presented.

c. Senate Committee on Research and Publications, J. Newman

i. Strategic Research Plan

Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Research and Publications, the Senate approve the 2025-29 Strategic Research Plan, as presented.

d. Senate Governance Committee, S. Ramsay

i. Governance Resource for Senators

3. Matters from the Consent Section of the Agenda**4. Other Business****5. Q&A with Leadership****6. Adjournment****7. Consent Items**

The following items are provided for approval or information. The items noted for approval will be approved by consent unless otherwise highlighted during item 1.a.

a. Items for Approval

i. Agenda

ii. Draft Minutes of the November 27, 2024 Senate Meeting

iii. Substantive Minor, Economics

Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements in the Economics and Data Analytics program.

iv. Substantive Minor, Human Rights

Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the Certificate in Non-Profit Career Foundations.

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- v. Substantive Minor, Human Rights
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the Honours BA Human Rights: Advanced Standing Programs.
- vi. Substantive Minor, Human Rights
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to the Human Rights Articulation Agreements.
- vii. Substantive Minor, Human Rights
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the Human Rights program requirements.
- viii. Substantive Minor, MA in English and Film Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change in requirements for completion of the Master of Arts in English and Film Studies program.
- ix. Substantive Minor, Master of Finance, MFin/MMA Double Degree
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change in admission requirements for the MFin program and the MFin/MMA double degree.
- x. Substantive Minor, Master of Finance
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change in program requirements for the MFin program.
- xi. Substantive Minor, PhD in Management
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the suite of changes to the PhD in Management, Marketing and OB/HRM fields.
- xii. Substantive Minor, Master of Music Therapy
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the format and schedule for the Master of Music Therapy degree.
- xiii. Substantive Minor, MA in Theology, MA in Theology/Master of Divinity
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the progression of the program of studies in the MA in Theology (Spiritual Care and Psychotherapy) and the MA (Theology SCP)/MDiv degree.
- xiv. Substantive Minor, Master of Divinity
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the progression of the program of studies in the MDiv degree.
- xv. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements of the Honours BSc Biology program.

- xvi. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Biology and Chemistry program.
- xvii. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program regulations for the Honours BSc Biology and Mathematics program.
- xviii. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program regulations for the Honours BA Biology program.
- xix. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BA Biology in Combination.
- xx. Substantive Minor, Chemistry and Biochemistry
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Biochemistry and Biotechnology.
- xxi. Substantive Minor, Chemistry and Biochemistry
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Biochemistry and Biotechnology with Thesis.
- xxii. Substantive Minor, Chemistry and Biochemistry
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Chemistry.
- xxiii. Substantive Minor, Chemistry and Biochemistry
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Chemistry with Thesis.
- xxiv. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the simplification of calendar language and required courses for the Honours BA Environmental Studies program.
- xxv. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the simplification of calendar language and required courses for the Honours BA Geography in Combination with another Honours BA program.
- xxvi. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the simplification of calendar language and required courses for the Honours BA Geography program.
- xxvii. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies

- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the simplification of calendar language and required courses for the Honours BSc Geography program.
- xxviii. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the simplification of calendar language and required courses for the Honours BSc Geography and Geomatics program.
- xxix. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the GPA requirements for the Certificate in Geomatics.
- xxx. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the GPA requirement for the Geomatics Option.
- xxxi. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the GPA requirement for the Sustainability Option.
- xxxii. Substantive Minor, Geography and Environmental Studies
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the GPA requirement for the Undergraduate Certificate in Food and Sustainability.
- xxxiii. Substantive Minor, Mathematics
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve changing the list of required courses in the BA Financial Mathematics and Analytics.
- xxxiv. Substantive Minor, Mathematics
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve changing the list of required courses in the Honours Bachelor of Business Administration and Honours BA Financial Mathematics and Analytics double degree program.
- xxxv. Substantive Minor, Mathematics
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve changing the list of required courses in the Honours BSc Financial Mathematics and Analytics.
- xxxvi. Substantive Minor, Mathematics
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve changing the list of required courses in the BSc Data Science.
- xxxvii. Substantive Minor, Mathematics
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve changing the list of required courses in the BSc Computer Science and Mathematics.
- xxxviii. Substantive Minor, Psychology
- Motion:** that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning

- Committee, Senate approve the changes to course requirements for the Honours BSc Psychology program.
- xxxix. Substantive Minor, Psychology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to course requirements for the Honours BSc Psychology and Neuroscience program.
- xl. Substantive Minor, Faculty of Science
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the updated list of senior Science credits in the Program Notes of the General BSc Without Designation.
- xli. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Biology and Psychology program.
- xlii. Substantive Minor, Psychology
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to the Honours BA Psychology program.
- xliii. Substantive Minor, English
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to program requirements in the English Minor.
- xliv. Substantive Minor, English
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to program requirements for the Creative Writing Concentration.
- xlv. Substantive Minor, English
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the change to program requirements in the Creative Writing Minor.
- xlvi. Substantive Minor, International Education Studies
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the prerequisite regulations for the Bachelor of Arts International Education Studies program.
- xlvii. Substantive Minor, Languages and Literatures
Motion: that on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, Senate approve the changes to the Spanish Minor.

b. Items for Information

- i. Reports of the Senior Executives
- ii. COU Academic Colleague Report
- iii. Record of E-vote: Faculty Senator to the Vice-President: Student Affairs Search Committee, December 3, 2024

Note: If you need assistance or have a question about this agenda or the Senate, please contact the University Secretariat office, by email to kjack@wlu.ca.