



SENATE AGENDA

Hybrid Meeting – SBC, Waterloo
Monday, January 26, 2025, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Open Session

1. Call to Order, D. MacLatchy
 - a. Land Acknowledgement and Welcome to New Members
 - b. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest
 - c. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion: that Senate approve the Consent items listed for approval under item 12.a.
2. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes, D. MacLatchy
3. *In Camera* Session, D. MacLatchy
(Ref: Senate Bylaw, Sections 4.11.a. iii. (government relations), and iv. (competitive position))

Motion: to move the meeting *in camera*.
4. Leadership Update
 - a. Report of the President, D. MacLatchy
 - b. Report of the Interim Provost and VP Academic, T. McLaren

Reports and Recommendations from Standing Committees

5. Senate Academic Planning Committee, T. McLaren
 - a. Embargoed, for Information and Discussion: Faculty of Law, A. Essaji and K. Gallagher-Mackay
 - i) Embargoed: For Information and Discussion: Creation of a new Faculty, Faculty of Law
 - ii) Embargoed: For Information and Discussion: New Program Statement of Intent for a Juris Doctor Program
 - b. Virtual Campus Courses: In-Person Midterms, In-Person Assessments, and In-Person Final Examinations Location Policy, D. Van Nijnatten

Motion: that the Senate approve the addition of the Virtual Campus Courses: In-Person Midterms, In-Person Assessments, and In-Person Final Examinations Location Policy, in the Undergraduate Academic Calendar, effective Fall 2026 term.

- c. English Language Proficiency Test Requirements, M. Emery

Motion: that the Senate approve the inclusion of LanguageCert as an approved test to demonstrate English language proficiency for admission to Laurier's undergraduate programs with a requirement of a score of 70 or higher with a minimum score of 65 in each skill beginning with 2026 admissions.

Motion: that the Senate approve the addition of the new TOEFL 1-6 scale scoring in the undergraduate and graduate calendars beginning in January 2026 with a requirement of a score of 4.5 or higher and a minimum 4.0 in each section band.

- d. School of International Policy and Governance, K. Rygiel

- i) New Certificate, Undergraduate Certificate in International Migration and Governance

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a new for-credit Undergraduate Certificate in International Migration and Governance.

- e. Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, T. Brookfield

- i) Major Modification, Health Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve changes to the program requirements and mode of delivery of the Honours BA in Health Studies.

- ii) Major Modification, Health Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve changes to the program requirements and mode of delivery of the Honours BA in Health Studies in combination with another degree.

- iii) Major Modification, Health Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve changes to the program requirements and mode of delivery of the Honours BASc in Applied Health Sciences.

- iv) Major Modification, Health Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the establishment of an In-person Hybrid General BA in Health Studies.

- v) Major Modification, Criminology

Motion: that the Senate approve the closure of the Certificate in Criminology and Diploma in Criminology.

vi) Major Modification, Criminology

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of new Specializations in Media and Crime; Power, Identity and Justice; Crime and Justice Policy; Advanced Criminological Research; and Human Trafficking and Migration Studies for the undergraduate Criminology programs.

vii) Major Modification, Public Safety

Motion: that the Senate approve the Honours Bachelor of Arts Public Safety – Advanced Standing be offered in a full-time format.

viii) Major Modification, Public Safety

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of, and admission requirements for an online combined Honours BA Public Safety & Leadership program.

ix) Major Modification, Leadership

Motion: that the Senate approve the change to mode of delivery of the Honours BA in Leadership.

x) Major Modification, Leadership

Motion: that the Senate approve the change to mode of delivery of the Honours BA in Leadership in Combination with another Honours BA Program.

xi) Major Modification, Game Design & Development

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a new 3+2 pathway between the Mohawk College Game Design program and Laurier's Game Design and Development program.

f. Martin Luther University College, K. Lund

i) Major Modification, Spirituality and Global Music Minor

Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the name and program requirements of the Spirituality and Global Music Minor.

g. Faculty of Science, R. Monaghan

i) Major Modification, Mathematics

Motion: that the Senate approve the introduction of co-operative education option in the Honours BSc Mathematics, Honours BA Mathematics, and Honours BSc Mathematics & Data Analytics programs.

ii) Major Modification, Mathematics

Motion: that the Senate approve the introduction of co-operative education option in Honours BSc Financial Mathematics and Analytics and Honours BA Financial Mathematics and Analytics programs.

h. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, B. Wolfe

i) Major Modification, Master of International Public Policy (SIPG)

Motion: that the Senate approve the addition of the Digital Policy Innovation graduate field in the Master of International Public Policy program.

ii) Major Modification, Criminology

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a Type 1 Graduate Diploma in Criminology.

iii) Major Modification, MBA

Motion: that the Senate approve the addition of a new location (Toronto) for the Full-time MBA program.

iv) Major Modification, MBA

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a Sports Management Concentration in the Master of Business Administration Program.

i. Faculty of Arts, S. Lachapelle

i) Major Modification, Medieval & Medievalism Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a Minor in Medieval Studies.

ii) Major Modification, Medieval & Medievalism Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the deletion of the Minor in Medieval & Medievalism Studies.

iii) Major Modification, Medieval & Medievalism Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the deletion of the Option in Medievalism.

iv) Major Modification, Medieval & Medievalism Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the creation of a Minor in Medievalism.

v) Major Modification, Anthropology

Motion: that the Senate approve a new option for degree completion for Anthropology, as a standalone major for completion of an Honours BA.

vi) Major Modification, Film Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve the deletion of the Film Production Option.

6. Senate Executive and Finance Committee, D. MacLatchy

a. 2026-2027 Tuition Fee Report, J. Fraser / R. Reid

Motion: that the Senate recommend the Board of Governors approve the 2026-2027 Tuition Fee Report as presented.

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

a. Policy Revision: 11.3, Ownership of Student-Created Intellectual Property

Motion: that the Senate approve the proposed changes to policy 11.3, Ownership of Student-Created Intellectual Property, effective immediately.

b. Policy Revision: 11.8, Signing of the External Grant, Contract and Research Donation Coversheet

Motion: that the Senate approve the proposed changes to policy 11.8, Signing of the External Grant, Contract and Research Donation Coversheet, effective immediately.

8. Matters from the Consent Section of the Agenda

9. Other Business

10.Q&A

11.Adjournment

12. 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, 2025 Senate Meeting

iii. Substantive Minor, Law and Society Program

Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the program requirements of the Honours BA Law and Society programs.

iv. Substantive Minor, Human Rights Program

Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the program requirements of the Conestoga College and Mohawk College Advanced Standing Program Pathways.

v. Substantive Minor, Health Studies

Motion: that the Senate approve changes to the program requirements of the minor in Health Studies.

vi. Substantive Minor, Criminology

Motion: that the Senate approve changes to the program requirements of Honours Criminology programs.

vii. Substantive Minor, Public Safety

Motion: that the Senate approve the program requirement changes to the Honours Bachelor of Public Safety – Advanced Standing.

viii. Substantive Minor, Public Safety

Motion: that the Senate approve the program requirement changes to the Honours BA Public Safety.

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- ix. Substantive Minor, BA Multidisciplinary Studies
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to GPA and graduation requirements for the Honours BA Multidisciplinary Studies.
 - x. Substantive Minor, BBA
Motion: that the Senate approve the GPA requirements for transfer to Year 2 of the BBA program.
 - xi. Substantive Minor, Biology
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the admission requirements for the Honours BSc Environmental Science program.
 - xii. Substantive Minor, Health Sciences
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the program requirements for the Honours BSc Health Sciences program.
 - xiii. Substantive Minor, Master of Science in User Experience Design
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes in admission requirements for the course-based option of the Master of Science in User Experience Design.
 - xiv. Substantive Minor, Master of Arts/Master of Environmental Studies in Geography
Motion: that the Senate approve the course requirement change for the Environmental Data Analytics field of the MA and MES programs in Geography.
 - xv. Substantive Minor, Anthropology
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to the General BA in Anthropology.
 - xvi. Substantive Minor, Anthropology
Motion: that the Senate approve the following changes to calendar description for requirements to Combined Honours BA in Anthropology.
 - xvii. Substantive Minor, Film Studies
Motion: that the Senate approve the reduction of junior credits counted towards the Film Studies Minor.
 - xviii. Substantive Minor, International Education Studies/Global Studies
Motion: that the Senate approve the removal of the required option of 1.0 additional credits of language study (language other than English) or 2.5 credits for the TEF Certificate in the program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts-International Education Studies program.
 - xix. Substantive Minor, Multidisciplinary Studies
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to GPA and graduation requirements for the Honours BA Multidisciplinary Studies.
 - xx. Substantive Minor, Religion & Culture
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to program requirements for the Honours BA Program Religion and Culture Minor.
 - xxi. Substantive Minor, Religion & Culture
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to program requirements for the General BA Religion and Culture.
 - xxii. Substantive Minor, Religion & Culture
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to program requirements

- for the Honours BA Religion and Culture in Combination with another Honours BA program.
- xxiii. Substantive Minor, Religion & Culture
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to program requirements for the Honours BA Religion and Culture.
- xxiv. Substantive Minor, Religion & Culture
Motion: that the Senate approve the changes to program requirements for the Honours BA Religion and Culture and Honors BA Religion and Culture with Co-Operative Education programs.
- xxv. Substantive Minor, Sociology
Minor: that the Senate approve the deletion of the 14.0 credit maximum for Sociology courses in the Honours Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.

b. Items for Information

- i. Reports of the Senior Executives
- ii. Embargoed New Program Proposal, Master of Kinesiology Program
- iii. Embargoed New Program Proposal, Master of Laws in Digital Technology and Innovation Governance
- iv. COU Academic Colleague Report

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.