College of Arts and Sciences
Graduate Faculty Committee Agenda

September 11, 2026
4:00 pm

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I. Welcome & Introduction of Officers – Amanda Hiner, Chair

   a. Graduate Faculty Committee Secretary – Karin Evans

   b. Graduate Faculty Committee Parliamentarian – Aubrey Sejuit

II. Approval of meeting minutes from March 6, 2026 – Appendix A

III. Curriculum Proposals or Modifications – Appendix B

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

VI. CAS Graduate Director's Remarks – Dr. M. Gregory Oakes

VII. Announcements

VIII. Adjournment

Note: Quorum is 35% of full-time graduate faculty. The minimum attendance to do business is 20% of full-time graduate faculty.

Appendix A

College of Arts and Sciences
Graduate Faculty Committee Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2026

4:00 pm
Kinard 018

I. Welcome & Introduction of Officers – Julie Orme

   a. Meeting called to order at 4pm

II. Approval of meeting minutes from January 16, 2026 – Appendix A

   a. Motion made and seconded, minutes approved with no corrections or changes

III. Curriculum Proposals or Modifications – Appendix B

   a. MLAN591M: Principles of Teaching Modern Lang Mechanics – prereq. change (approved)

   b. MLAN591S: Principles of Teaching Modern Lang Skills – prereq. change (approved)

   c. WRIT501: Digital Authorship Practices – title change (approved)

   d. LART694: Graduate Studio in Liberal Arts (approved)

   e. SOCL535: Advanced Criminology Theories (approved)

   f. MLA in Liberal Arts – Liberal Arts: change capstone requirement, cross list with MA-ENGL capstone (approved)

   g. MLA in Liberal Arts – Political and Civic Engagement: change

capstone requirement, crosslist with MA-ENGL capstone (approved)

h. MLA in Liberal Arts – Criminology and Criminal Justice (approved)

i. PLSC 540 Comparative Constitutional Law –new course (approved)

IV. Old Business

a. None

V. New Business

a. Amanda Hiner was nominated for GFC Chair

VI. Graduate Director's Remarks — Dr. M. Gregory Oakes remarks provided in writing (Appendix C)

VII. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm

Appendix B

I. Curriculum Proposals or Modifications

a. New Courses

i. BIOL672 Graduate Research in Biology - Approved, pending update of max hours (set for 1 but it is a 3hr course)

b. Course Edits

i. BIOL620 Supervised Laboratory Instruct - Approved

ii. WRIT502 Digital English Studies – Approved

c. Blanket Petitions

i. BIOL 571 & 695: approved