



CAL POLY

Academic Senate

Meeting of the Academic Senate Minutes Tuesday, April 27, 2021

- I. **Minutes:** M/S/P to approve the minutes from April 13, 2021.
- II. **Communication(s) and Announcement(s):** Senate Chair, Thomas Gutierrez announced that the Academic Senate might need to convene for an additional meeting due to busy upcoming agendas.
- III. **Reports:** All reports were submitted as written reports. They can be found at: <https://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/images/sa042721.pdf>

IV. **Consent Agenda:** All items below were approved by consent:

- A. **Department Name Change Approval for WGS Department**
- B.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY ACADEMIC SENATE				
Program Name or Course Number, Title	ASCC recommendation/ Other	Academic Senate	Provost	Term Effective
BUS 480 People Analytics (4), 4 lectures	Reviewed and recommended for approval 1/14/21.	On 4/27/21 consent agenda.		
ES 134 Writing & Rhetoric (4), 4 lectures, GE A2	Reviewed and recommended for approval 4/13/21.	On 4/27/21 consent agenda.		
MATE 245 Materials Engineering Analysis (1), 1 laboratory	Reviewed and recommended for approval 1/14/21.	On 4/27/21 consent agenda.		
MATE 390 Textile and Fiber Engineering (4), 3 lectures, 1 laboratory	Reviewed and recommended for approval 1/14/21.	On 4/27/21 consent agenda.		
MU 324 Music and Society (4), 3 lectures, 1 activity, GE Upper-Division C (existing course proposed to be offered online)	Reviewed and recommended for approval 4/5/21.	On 4/27/21 consent agenda.		

- V. **Special Reports:**
 - A. **University Update:** President Jeffrey Armstrong addressed the impact the Derek Chauvin trial and the press conference that was held at Cal Poly regarding the Kristin Smart case might have had on the Cal Poly community and denounced the recent rise of violence towards Asian-Americans. President Armstrong also briefly updated the Senate on the budget and on the coronavirus. He shared that the UCs and CSUs are requiring vaccinations for staff and faculty. In addition, the increase in vaccine availability will change the University’s testing requirements, allow for greater use of facilities and an in-person graduation ceremony. He also shared that more budget communication would be sent out the following week.

- VI. **Business Items:**
 - A. **Resolution on Switching to a One-Year Cycle of Catalog Review:** Greg Bohr, Chair of the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, presented a resolution to switch to a one-year cycle of catalog review in first reading. Bohr explained to the Senate that such a change would make it more efficient for departments to review and update curricula. M/S/P to move the resolution into second reading. Senator Ken Brown introduced a resolution to amend the resolution to read that “Cal Poly switch to a one-year cycle of catalog review.” M/S/P to adopt the amendment. M/S/P to adopt the Resolution on Switching to a One-Year Cycle of Catalog Review.

- B. **Resolution on Modifications to the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate Regarding Chair Membership of Curricular Review Committees*:** Thomas Gutierrez, Academic Senate Chair, introduced a resolution in first reading to prevent chairs of any academic senate curriculum committee from serving on other levels of review as a department or college curriculum committee chair. This resolution will return to the next Executive Committee Meeting in first reading.
- C. **Resolution on Suspending Credit/No Credit Grading Restrictions for Summer 2021 in Response to Covid-19:** Thomas Gutierrez, Academic Senate Chair, introduced a resolution that would suspend the credit/no credit grading restrictions for Summer 2021 in first reading. Senator Kris Jankovitz asked the Chair to recognize the registrar, Cem Sunata. Sunata pointed out that by extending the current policy for credit/no credit restrictions to Summer 2021, the policy would be extended into the next school year, seeing as the academic year begins with summer quarter. In addition, Sunata argued that this resolution would be inconsistent with the practices of other universities, disadvantage students, and that this policy results in discrepancies in how it is enacted. M/P to table the resolution indefinitely.

VII. **Discussion Item(s):** None.

VIII. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

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