

**MINUTES OF THE
IUP UNIVERSITY SENATE**

FEBRUARY 4, 2025

Chairperson Seal called the February 4, 2025 meeting of the University Senate to order at 3:45 PM, in Eberly Auditorium.

Senate Minutes for the December 3, 2024 meeting were **APPROVED**.

Agenda items for the February 4, 2025 meeting were **APPROVED**.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President's Report

Dr. Driscoll was unable to attend the meeting.

Provost's Report

I have a couple of things to share with you today. Last week was busy with the Shaping Tomorrow: Detailing IUP's Future event. I hope that you were able to attend. The committee for that event will soon have the comments and recommendations available.

We are monitoring the ever-changing federal government regulations. We are working closely with our PIs to understand any communications that are coming in and we are relying heavily on PASSHE legal to guide us. We are also paying close attention to the executive orders that concern our international students. We are working with the Office of International Education to be sure that we are comfortable with our protocols.

OneSIS is moving through the testing period. As soon as it comes to completion, we will open it up for schedule building. The schedule will be available for viewing no later than March 1. Over the next month, the deans and department chairs will review the schedule to ensure that the fall 2025 courses are appropriate.

Dawn Smith-Sherwood will now provide an update on Crimson Core.

I wish to begin with several expressions of thanks: to all who submitted new and revised course proposals for inclusion in the Crimson Core, to the members of the Liberal Studies Committee who reviewed and provided feedback on those proposals, to the members of the LSC and Liberal Studies Workgroup who assisted me in creating a support document and provided competency coaching sessions via Zoom throughout the fall semester, to the members of the UWUCC and to the members of APSCUF Representative Council for the ongoing roles in fulfilling the campus curricular review process, and to those who have helped me to manage Curriculog, including Edel Reilly, Sharon Procter, Amanda Marshall, and especially Gail Sechrist, who fielded many email messages during the semester break.

To date, the Liberal Studies Committee has reviewed 96 proposals, and 78 of these have already been recommended to the UWUCC for approval. The LSC continues to meet weekly to consider new and revised proposals, as well as to offer support to units completing revisions or creating new proposals.

Earlier this week, with the assistance of Jessie Groll, an additional link was added to the Crimson Core Framework page (available through IUP credentials) on the LS website.

<https://www.iup.edu/liberal/iup-only/crimson-core-criteria/index.html>

In addition to the Crimson Core competencies, competency SLOs, criteria, and Curriculum Support Document, there is a new Crimson Core Proposal Workflow spreadsheet, which I am updating as each proposal continues through the curricular process. Recognizing that each course proposal must complete the curricular process, I hope that this additional information provides support for the work that is to come in the context of program review.

Regarding the First Learning Year (FLY) course to be offered to all first-year students in fall 2025, I am happy to report that nearly half of the projected sections have been assigned. We are still seeking faculty interested in joining this effort.

Faculty, if you are interested in teaching FLY, please communicate your interest to your department chair. Chairs, please contact Luke Faust lefaust@iup.edu if you can assign a faculty member to FLY.

I have one final word of thanks to department chairs who have found ways to include FLY assignments in their fall 2025 schedule.

Question from Stephanie Jozefowicz:

Should we move forward with entering courses into the schedule even if the program revision isn't approved before schedule build is to happen.

Response from Provost Luetkehans:

If courses are simply being revised and aren't new courses, they should be entered during schedule build. If the program revisions haven't been approved, the courses cannot be entered. Also note that finalizing the catalog will be extended so that all of the adjustments can be made.

Question from Stephanie Jozefowicz:

The Crimson Core is being implemented for freshmen, but how will the catalog affect returning students.

Response from Dawn Smith-Sherwood:

The existing students will either continue in the Liberal Studies or can choose to move to the new Crimson Core.

For information:

The Provost has accepted the recommendations for curriculum actions endorsed by the IUP-APSCUF Representative Council at their January 30, 2025, meeting as follows:

From the University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:

A. New Courses

- SAFE 105 – Applied Safety Fundamentals
- ENGR 462 – Materials in Chemistry, Physics, and Engineering
- ACCT 462 – Data Analytics for Accountants
- IFMG 464 – Introduction to Business Analytics
- ARHU 141 – Introduction to Secondary English Education
- HIST 101 – Introduction to History
- HIST 300 – Topics in Ancient History
- CRIM 103 – Making Laws, Breaking Laws

At the December 3, 2024, meeting, the University Senate approved revisions to the following undergraduate and graduate policies:

- Continuous Graduate Registration for Dissertation and Thesis
- Undergraduate Transfer Admissions

At the December 3, 2024, meeting, the University Senate approved the following faculty for emeritus status:

- Lynn Botelho – History
- Kenneth Coles – Anthropology, Geospatial, and Earth Sciences
- Susan Drummond - University Libraries
- Sandra Janicki – University Libraries
- Gregory Kenning – Madia Department of Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Physics
- P. Michael Kosicek – Management
- J. Beth Mabry – School Psychology, Special Education, and Sociology
- Mary Logan Hastings – Music, Theatre, and Dance
- Stephen Osborne – Management
- Thomas Simmons – Biology
- Edith West - Nursing

Chairperson's Report

- Chairperson Seal had no report.

Vice Chairperson Report

- GSA has a new mentorship program.
- SGA looks forward to working on food security for students and discussing OneSIS and its impact on students with the Provost,
- SGA will work hard this semester to get more student representatives in the Senate and on Senate committees.
- SGA will provide a new roster to Senate soon.

Rules Committee (Senator Decker)

- The committee is working on reforming the ByLaws and Constitution. This includes focusing on the ex officio membership for committees.
- Committee and department representative elections will occur this semester.
- The committee is meeting Tuesday, February 11.

University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Senator Sechrist)

- The committee is working on numerous proposals.

University-Wide Graduate Committee (Senator Moore)

- The committee had no report.

Libraries and Educational Services Committee (Senator Chadwick)

- The committee will meet Tuesday, February 11.

Research Committee (Senator Sciulli)

- The committee will meet Tuesday, February 11 via Zoom.

FOR INFORMATION:

Meeting Minutes –December 10, 2024

The committee reviewed 8 USRC small grant proposals and awarded funds for 7, totaling \$12,498.

- Francis Allard
- Mary Anne Benjamin
- Christopher Chandler
- William Collins
- Lora Hromadik
- Jacqueline McGinty

- Christopher Schaney

Student Affairs Committee (Senator Benjamin)

- The committee will meet Tuesday, February 11.

University Development and Finance Committee (Senator McDaniel)

- The committee will meet Tuesday, February 25.

FOR INFORMATION:

Indiana University of Pennsylvania Proposed Five-Year, Priority Capital Project Spending Plan FY2024-25 Submission

In accordance with Board of Governors Policy 2000-02-A: *Capital Facilities Planning, Programming, and Funding*, please find for your endorsement the Indiana University of Pennsylvania annual submission for Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education Capital Project Spending Plan for FY2024-25.

This submission is due to the State System's Office of the Chancellor by May 1, 2025.

The capital project spending plan is a rolling, five-year plan in which the State System Board of Governors approves funding for the execution of requested projects in the first year of the plan and tentatively approves funding to execute requested projects for the remaining five years, subject to annual updates and reviews.

The annual capital project spending plan approval process includes the following steps:

Presentation to the President's Cabinet—January 27, 2025

Presentation to and approval by the Senate Development and Finance Committee – January 30, 2025

Information Item to the full University Senate—February 4, 2025

Presentation to and endorsement by the IUP Council of Trustees—March 6, 2025 Submission to the State System's Office of the Chancellor—May 1, 2025

Review and approval by the State System Board of Governors—October 9, 10, 2025 The

following motion will be presented for approval at the public meeting.

Proposed Five-Year, Priority Capital Project Spending Plan

The committee reviewed the proposed five-year, priority capital project spending plan as distributed.

The following motion is recommended for approval:

**THAT THE FIVE-YEAR, PRIORITY CAPITAL PROJECT SPENDING PLAN
BE APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED FOR SUBMISSION TO**

**PENNSYLVANIA’S STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION ON OR
BEFORE MAY 1, 2025.**

Following is the proposed five-year project funding priority order of commonwealth capital projects for IUP:

Proposed 2025-26

Academic Building Replacement (Culinary Building)—Original Fixtures and Equipment

Proposed 2026-27

Academic Building Deferred Maintenance and Capital Renewal (Renovation of Existing Space for the Health Sciences Cluster Buildings including the Proposed College of Osteopathic Medicine)—Construction

Proposed 2027-28

Academic Building Deferred Maintenance and Capital Renewal (Renovation of Existing Space for Health Sciences Cluster Buildings including the Proposed College of Osteopathic Medicine)—Original Fixtures and Equipment

Proposed 2028-29

Academic Building Deferred Maintenance and Capital Renewal (Renovation of Existing Space to Allow for Relocation of Academic Programs)

Proposed 2029-30

Multi-building Demolition Project

Proposal Accepted and Voted on by the Development and Finance Committee

Academic Committee (Senator Dugan)

- The committee will meet Tuesday, February 11.

Awards Committee (Senator Paul)

- Thank you to everyone that submitted materials associated with applications for University Senate Awards.

Noncredit Committee (Senator O’Neil)

- The committee had no report.

University Planning Council (Senator Moore)

- The committee had no report.

Presidential Athletic Advisory Council (Senator Castle)

- The committee will meet on Tuesday, February 18.

Academic Computing Policy Advisory Committee

- The committee will meet on Wednesday, February 19 via Zoom.

University Budget Advisory Committee (Senator Soni)

- The committee had no report.

New Business

- The official freeze on student enrollment numbers will be Monday, February 10.
- Chairperson Seal requested that committees keep the Senate informed about their activities even if they have no FOR ACTION items on the agenda.

Respectfully submitted by
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University Senate Secretary