



## Undergraduate Academic Affairs Committee Minutes

January 8, 2026

9:00 am – 10:30 am

BSC 351

**Members in Attendance:** L. Dorsey, E. Baker, L. Burke, M. Cope, K. Crews, P. Dotson, J. Haugen, T. James, S. Lee, D. Manos, C. McGroarty, G. Merys, N. Mispagel, V. Murugan, J. Nichols, S. Nickell, B. Perlman, H. Reiter, L. Russell, S. Sell, L. Sweetman

**Absent/Excused:** E. Crowell, R. Rosenberg, S. Tyuse, A. Zampaulo

**Guest:** Steve Sanchez

**Call to Order:** Dr. Dorsey called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

- I. **Approval of Meeting Minutes – December 4, 2025**
  - A motion to approve minutes was put forth by Ben Perlman, second by Gina Merys. Joseph Nichols abstained. All others in attendance approved.
  
- II. **Academic Programs: Lisa Dorsey**

Business Administration, B.S. (CIM 834). At the December UAAC meeting we discussed several concerns about student identity and market concerns. After the holiday break, our student representative, Sophia Lee, was scheduled to meet with Dean Nickerson and VP Jean Marie Cox to bring forward the student concerns about the proposed major changes. Dean Nickerson was unable to attend the in-person meeting and Sophia met with him via zoom. Sophia reported that Dean Nickerson is considering keeping the majors but under a new degree, a BSBA, and changing in residence degree requirements to 75% of courses taken at SLU vs current 50% policy. This new proposal does not change reporting or assessment requirements. Recommendations from the committee members included making curricular changes that ensure that upper-level major specific courses are required at SLU. The 75% proposal leaves 20 credits that can still be transferred in allowing students to transfer in all major specific courses. Dr. Dorsey commented that changing the residency requirements for one degree can potentially be inequitable and will require us to follow our governance policy.

- Majors
  - Chaifetz School of Business- tabled for more information on the new proposal.
    - Business Administration, B.S. (CIM 834)
    - Accounting (CIM 202) – closure
    - Business Technology Management (CIM 245) - closure
    - Economics (CIM 225) - closure
    - Entrepreneurship (CIM 235) - closure
    - Finance (CIM 227) - closure
    - International Business (CIM 231) - closure
    - Leadership and Human Resources Management (CIM 239) - closure
    - Marketing (CIM 242) - closure
    - Sports Business (CIM 240) - closure
- Minors – None
- Concentrations – part of the proposed Business Administration, B.S. (CIM 834) – tabled for more information on the new proposal.
  - Accounting (CIM 788)
  - Public Accounting (CIM 797)
  - Accounting Consulting and Advisory (CIM 798)
  - Business Technology Management (CIM 789)
  - Analytics and Enterprise Systems (CIM 799)
  - Economics (CIM 790)
  - Entrepreneurship (CIM 791)
  - Finance (CIM 792)
  - Financial Analysis (CIM 800)
  - Financial Planning (CIM 801)
  - Real Estate Finance (CIM 802)
  - International Business (CIM 793)
  - Leadership and Human Resources Management (CIM 794)
  - Marketing (CIM 795)
  - Sports Business (CIM 796)
- Micro-credentials
  - Foundations of Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (IM 617) – Adding 5000 level required courses to complete the micro-credential. Do we allow a student to complete an UG micro-credential as a graduate student? The request before us is to mix and match course levels allowed. We do not intentionally design an undergraduate program with graduate level credit. The committee seemed in agreement with the proposal. The committee is comfortable with allowing 5000 level courses at the undergraduate level for this micro-credential while being mindful of compliance with the dual listing policy.
  - Artificial Intelligence Literacy (CIM 858) – Proposal to give students from any major the opportunity to understand and apply AI tools in a practical, structured and responsible way. The micro-credential provides a hands-on learning experience with data analysis, decision making and machine learning workflows.
- Certificates – none
- ABM

- Women's and Gender Studies, B.A. to M.A. Accelerated Program (CIM 193)- closure – no teach out plan is necessary.
- Engineering, B.S. to Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 470) – closure – no teach out plan is necessary.
- Bachelor's to Electrical and Computer Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 820) – Provides students in the ECE program in either of the two majors (GPA of 3.00 or higher) the opportunity to earn a bachelor's and master's degree in five years. Committee suggests cleaning up language, editing and modifying cost.
- Mechanical Engineering, B.S. to Mechanical Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 844) – Provides students an opportunity to continue their GR studies at SLU and engage in research opportunities that are available.
- Aerospace Engineering, B.S. to Aerospace Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 842) – Provides students (GPA of 3.25 or higher) the opportunity to earn a bachelor's and master's degree in five years
- Aeronautics, B.S. to Aviation, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 829) – The ABM combines the BS and MS programs at an accelerated level up to 15 credits. No new courses are included in this ABM. Eligibility is a GPA of 3.00 or higher.
  - *Aviation accelerated BS to MS program for flight science majors roadmap*
  - *Aviation accelerated BS to MS program for aviation management majors roadmap*
- Civil Engineering, B.S. to Civil Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 821) - Provides students in the CVNG program (GPA of 3.25 or higher) the opportunity to earn a bachelor's and master's degree in five years
- Accounting B.S. to Master of Accounting, Accelerated Program (CIM 823) – remaining on our list until it is determined what happens with the CSB proposal.
- Bachelor's to Master of Social Work, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 828) – Update:
  - GR credits vary with 15 being the most to be earned by UG students. This ABM is designed to provide a pathway to MSW coursework. The program is open to a variety of UG majors but is expected to be of particular interest to psychology majors. Seniors have the electives built into their course map to accelerate.
  - The addition of language has been included: “accelerated graduate courses do not meet undergraduate Core course requirements and cannot substituted for Core course requirements”.
  - Admissions requirements and eligibility criteria have been specified.
  - Eliminate parenthetical.
- Bachelor's to Criminology and Criminal Justice, M.A. Accelerated Program (CIM 831) – provide students a pathway to bridge UG study and professional preparation. Students may complete up to 12 graduate credits as electives in their senior year.
- Bachelor's to Applied Behavior Analysis, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 832) – provides students a pathway into the MS ABA program by completing 15 graduate credits as electives in their senior year.

### III. Old Business: Academic Program Proposal and Policy Approvals

- Academic Programs
  - Computer Science + Art, B.A. (CIM 808) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.

- o Computer Science + Sociology, B.A. (CIM 836) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science + Health Information Management, B.A. (CIM 837) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science + Computer Engineering, B.A. (CIM 838)- Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science + Neuroscience, B.A. (CIM 839) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science + Philosophy, B.A. (CIM 840) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science + Psychology, B.A. (CIM 841) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Cannabis Science and Operations Minor (CIM 383) – closure. Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Cannabis Science and Operations Certificate (CIM 384) – closure. Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Italian Studies Minor (CIM 118) – closure. Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Russian Area Studies Minor (CIM 157) – closure. Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Spanish, Beginning Micro-credential (CIM 785) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Spanish, Advanced Micro-credential (CIM 786) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Geography and Environment Micro-credential (CIM 781) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Mental Health and Society Micro-credential (CIM 782) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Social Research Methods Micro-credential (CIM 783) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Medieval Latin Micro-credential (CIM 775) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Philosophy, B.A. To M.A. (CIM 758) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Biomedical Engineering B.S. to Biomedical Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 807) - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science, B.A. to Computer Science, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 503) – Madrid - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science, B.A. to Artificial Intelligence, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 502) – Madrid - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science, B.S. to Artificial Intelligence, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 506) – Madrid - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.
- o Computer Science, B.S. to Computer Science, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 507) – Madrid - Was approved by CADD and the Provost on 12-17-25.

- o Spanish, B.A. to Spanish Education, M.A. (CIM 669) – closure. Tabled at December 2025 CADD. Will go to CADD and the Provost on 1-28-25.
- o Spanish, B.A. to M.A. (CIM 121) closure (*STL campus only*) – geographic substantive change - Tabled at December 2025 CADD. Will go to CADD and the Provost on 1-28-25.
- o Meteorology, B.S. (CIM 541) – closure – passed CADD and the Provost on October 29, 2025, and by the BoT at the December 2025 meeting.
- o Biostatistics (CIM 463) – closure - approved by CADD and the Provost on 5-20-25 and by the BoT at the December 2025 meeting.
- Academic Policies
  - o Micro-credential- UAAC policy change language will be reviewed at the January GAAC.

IV. Policy Review:

- o Course Extension Policy -- tabled
- o Undergraduate Academic Standing -- tabled

V. **Discussion Item:** None

VI. **Announcements: Lisa Dorsey**

- The next UAAC meeting is February 5, 2026.