



Undergraduate Academic Affairs Sub-Committee

Minutes

Thursday, January 15, 2026

DuBourg Hall, Room 406

Members in Attendance: L. Dorsey, E. Baker, K. Crews, E. Crowell, T. James, J. Haugen, S. Lee, D. Manos, C. McGroarty, J. Nichols, H. Reiter, L. Russell, S. Sell, S. Tyuse, A. Zampaula

Absent/Excused: V. Murugan, S. Nickell, R. Rosenburg

- I. Approval of Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2025
 - A motion to approve was made by Scott Sell and seconded by Kyle Crews, Joseph Nichols abstained; the motion passed unanimously.

- II. Academic Program(s): B.S. in Business Administration --
 - At our last meeting, we made several recommendations for curricular changes intended to increase the number of major-specific courses students would complete at SLU. Dean Nickerson presented a proposal to the Provost regarding changes to the in-residency requirement; however, the requirement will remain at 50% rather than increasing to 75%. The proposed closure of the BS majors and their transition to concentrations have been removed from the agenda, while the Business School reframes the proposal for the February meeting. Subcommittee members noted that the new degree proposal does not address concerns related to transfer students, nor does it resolve the existing challenges previously identified. Additionally, market demand does appear to be a compelling driver for this change, as similar degrees are being offered at peer institutions largely as an effort to contemporize brand.

 - A proposal to advance a new degree, the BSBA, will be presented at the February UAAC meeting. Under this model majors and minors would be housed within the degree. The committee will vote at the February meeting and move forward with its recommendations to CADD, the Provost, and the Board of Trustees.

- a. Majors – Tabled.
 - 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 – all nested in the new Business Administration, B.S. (CIM 787) – Tabled.
 - 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 (CIM 617)
 - Dr. Dorsey commented that SSE receives high marks for curricular management, with notable clear intention and strategy. This proposal seeks approval for 5000-level courses to count within this model. Questions remain regarding whether students graduating in their fourth year could apply 4000-level courses toward graduate credit and how this would be managed and vice versa.
 - Within the current micro-credential definition, there is no distinction between undergraduate and graduate designation. Clarification from HLC may be sought retroactively in the future. GAAC will consider revisions to the micro-credential policy in February.
 - A motion to approve was made by Laurie Russell and seconded by Joseph Nichols; the motion passed unanimously.

- Artificial Intelligence Literacy (CIM 858)
 - The discussion focused on AI literacy and how best to market related opportunities to the external community. All courses are newly developed, carry the AI prefix, and are offered at the 4000-level. Request to change the AI 1100 course prefix to CSCI 1100 – error in CIM.
 - A motion to approve the proposal with the course prefix correction from AI 1100 to CSCI 1100 was made by Laurie Russell and seconded by Joseph Nichols; the motion passed unanimously.
- Certificates - none
- ABM
 - Women's and Gender Studies, B.A. to M.A. Accelerated Program (CIM 193)- closure. No teach out plan necessary, there are no students in the MA. A motion to approve was made by Cristina McGroarty and seconded by Elen Crowell; the motion passed unanimously.
 - Engineering, B.S. to Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 470) – closure. No teach out plan necessary. Students will transition to graduate disciplinary interests. A motion to approve was made by Cristina McGroarty and seconded by Kyle Crews; the motion passed unanimously.
 - SSE ABM proposals (five) were presented as a single package for a vote. The ABMs have been reframed, and all components recommended at the January meeting have been incorporated. Degree requirements have been standardized, financial planning language clarified, and CORE double counting removed. A motion to approve was made by Tracy James and seconded by Cristina McGroarty; the motion passed unanimously.
 - Bachelor's to Electrical and Computer Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 820)
 - Mechanical Engineering, B.S. to Mechanical Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 844)
 - Aerospace Engineering, B.S. to Aerospace Engineering, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 842)
 - Aeronautics, B.S. to Aviation, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 829)
 - *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)
 - Accounting B.S. to Master of Accounting, Accelerated Program (CIM 823) – Tabled to February meeting.

- Social Work ABM proposals (three) were presented as a single package for a vote. The ABMs have been reframed, and all components recommended at the January meeting have been incorporated. The 2.0 GPA requirement language will be removed from all three proposals. A motion to approve was made by Christina McGroathy and seconded by Scott Sell; the motion passed unanimously.
 - Bachelor's to Master of Social Work, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 828)
 - Bachelor's to Criminology and Criminal Justice, M.A. Accelerated Program (CIM 831)
 - Bachelor's to Applied Behavior Analysis, M.S. Accelerated Program (CIM 832)
- Academic Policies
Micro-credential- UAAC policy change language will be reviewed by GAAC at the February meeting.

III. Policy Review: none

IV. Discussion Item: none

V. Announcements: Next UAAC Sub Committee Meeting February 12, 2026.