

LEARNING, CURRICULUM & STUDENTS (LCS) COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Zoom

Associate Dean, Academic & Students	Suprakash Datta	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistant Dean, Students	Mitch Burnie	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manager, Graduate Studies	Almey Tse-Soriano	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chair of Council (non-voting)	Eric Ruppert	<input type="checkbox"/>
Librarian	John Dupuis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faculty Members (1/dept)	Nima Tabatabaei (MECH)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ronald Hanson (alternate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Pulin Mondal (CIVL)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ahmed Elyasti (alternate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jarek Gryz	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Faculty Members at large	Parke Godfrey (alternate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hossam Sadek (MECH)	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Students (2 UG, 1 Grad)	Baoxin Hu (ESSE)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Michael Bazzocchi (alternate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hung Pham (EECS)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary to Committee (non-voting)	Edson Takei (Undergraduate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Judy El Ghargomi (Undergraduate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Kevin Hui (Graduate)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistant Secretary (non-voting)	Parag Jain	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Frances Valerio	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total # of Votes: 13	Total # of Votes with assigned members: 12	

AGENDA					
Items	Person	Time	Topic	Goal	Documents to Review in Advance
1.	Nima Tabatabaei	15	Chair's Remarks & Consent Agenda items	LCS Chair's remarks 1. MECH Grad Courses Course Credit exclusions 2. Approval of LCS consent agenda items 3. 2026-27 Undergraduate Academic Calendar finalized end of March 2026 4. AI Initiative Survey – Department response due on May 8th	Attached
2.	Nima/Frances/Parag	15	LCS Reporting	Action: Review & Approve LCS Annual Report 2025-26	Attached
3.	Nima Tabatabaei	25	High Failure Rate	Review and discuss Department processes on High Failure Rate Courses Discussion Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of departmental responses and key findings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ESSE ○ MECH 	Attached

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EECS ○ CIVL (no response received to date) ● Common challenges and effective practices identified across departments ● Areas requiring further clarification or follow-up <p>Intended Outcome / Goal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Develop formal recommendations that LCS may provide to advance support/improvements. ● Determine next steps, including any follow-up required from departments or other committee/s (Executive/CEAS?). <p>Documents to review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Original Memo from Executive ● Departmental Responses (as submitted) 	
4.	Nima Tabatabaei	5	Other Business		

LCS Consent Agenda Items:

1. LCS Agenda
2. LCS Notes, February 18, 2026

Future Agenda Items:

1. [GS/ESS 5103 2.00 New Course \(pending Dept approval\)](#)
2. Professional Masters in Space Systems – Earth and Space Science and Engineering Department (F2027)
3. Professional Masters in Humanitarian Engineering - Not tied to a department (F2025)
4. Professional Masters in Digital Twins for Built Environment – Earth and Space Science and Engineering Department (WI2026)
5. M.Eng. in Electrical, Computer and Software Engineering – theme “Intelligent Systems” – Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department (WI2026)