

# Oakland University Senate Agenda

## Meeting Details

November 16, 2023

Meeting Time: 3:10 pm

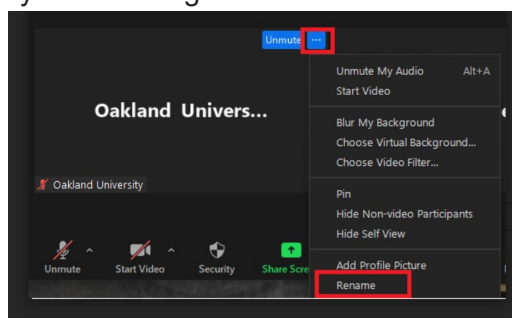
Meeting Location: HYFLEX - Please join in person in the OC Banquet Room B or via [ZOOM registration link](#)

## Meeting Materials and Documents

e-Space is where you will find the agenda and documents

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## Agenda

1. Informational Items
  - a. **Graduate Program Submissions**

- i. **MS in Mechanical Engineering, Modification** to introduce two 'tracks' for the MS Electives; Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Sarah Beetham)
- ii. **MS in Mechatronic Systems Engineering, Modification** to rename the program to Mechatronic and Robotics Engineering and to allow students to both become proficient at the fundamentals while also allowing students to focus their studies in a more specialized area; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- iii. **Graduate Certificate in Automotive Electrification, New Certificate Program** will address the local companies, state and national need for professionals with sufficient knowledge on how to electrify the country's transportation; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- iv. **Graduate Certificate in Automotive Mechatronics, New Certificate Program** is accessible to students with a specific goal of training students who aspire to have a Mechatronics and Robotics career path as it combines skills from Electrical, Mechanical, and Computer Engineering to produce a functioning electro-mechanical automotive system; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- v. **Graduate Certificate in Autonomous Vehicle Systems, New Certificate Program** to provide for the growing need for professionals with expertise in this field, as well as the increasing demand for individuals who can design, develop, and maintain autonomous vehicles; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- vi. **Graduate Certificate in Human-Robot Interaction, New Certificate Program** equips students to acquire skills to use within an industry that seeks to allow humans and robots to work together to accomplish a task; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)

- vii. **Graduate Certificate in Mechatronics and Robotics Fundamentals, New Certificate Program** provides training in robotics, automotive mechatronics and equips students with skill sets in programming, algorithms, and systems analysis; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- viii. **Graduate Certificate in Robotic Systems, New Certificate Program** equips students with skill sets in programming, algorithms, and systems analysis for students who aspire to have a robotics systems career path; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Computer Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- ix. **Graduate Certificate in System Dynamics, New Certificate Program** provides training in the mechanical engineering skills to work in robotics and mechatronics engineering fields; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Computer Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- x. **Graduate Certificate in Systems and Controls, New Certificate Program** equips students with skill sets in system analysis, control theory, and adaptive systems for students who aspire to have a robotics and mechatronics career path; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of Computer Engineering and Computer Science (Brian Dean, Jun Chen)
- xi. **Master of Public Health Program, Program Modification** is proposing two-course modifications to go into effect Fall 2024. (1) Create a 1-credit course titled PH 5980: Interprofessional Education and (2) Decrease the PH 6960: Practicum Experience in Public Health course from 4 to 3 credits; Public and Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences (Caress Dean)
- xii. **Approved Graduate Certificate Program Policy, Policy Modification** to modify the policy definition from requiring that at least 50% of the graduate courses come from a single academic program to requiring that at least 50% of the graduate courses in a Graduate Certificate program must be derived from courses in existing graduate academic program(s) in order to allow for interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary graduate certificates; Graduate Council, Graduate School (Brandy Randall)

**b. Undergraduate Program Submissions**

- i. **Art History, B.A., program modification** to update curriculum by adding and deleting courses; Department of Art and Art History, College of Arts and Sciences (Meaghan Barry)
- ii. **Art History Minor, program modification** to update curriculum by adding and deleting courses; Department of Art and Art History, College of Arts and Sciences (Meaghan Barry)
- iii. **Health Sciences, B.S., Concentration in Holistic Health, program modification** to update electives and course; Department of Interdisciplinary Health Sciences, School of Health Sciences (Amanda Lynch)
- iv. **Wellness and Health Promotion Minor, program modification** to change required courses WHP prefix to PH prefix; Department of Public and Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences (Caress Dean)
- v. **Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, modification** to replace PHY 1080 and 1090 with PHY 1010 and 1020; Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences (Sumit Dinda)
- vi. **Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Medical Laboratory Science (MLS), modification** to replace PHY 1080 and 1090 with PHY 1010 and 1020; Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences (Sumit Dinda)
- vii. **Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Nuclear Medicine Technology, modification** to replace PHY 1080 and 1090 with PHY 1010 and 1020; Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences (Sumit Dinda)
- viii. **Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Radiologic Technology, modification** to replace PHY 1080 and 1090 with PHY 1010 and 1020; Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences (Sumit Dinda)
- ix. **Professional and Digital Writing, B.A., modification** to program modality change by adding a fully online track; Department of Writing and Rhetoric, College of Arts and Sciences (Megan Schoen)
- x. **Graphic Design, B.A modification** updating requirements to satisfy trends in the field of graphic design; Department of Art and Art History, College of Arts and Sciences (Meaghan Barry)
- xi. **Environmental Science, B.S., Specialization in Environmental**

**Health, discontinuance of this specialization** as a streamlining and cost savings measure; Environmental Science Program, College of Arts and Sciences (Evan Trivedi)

- xii. **Environmental Science, B.S., Specialization in Environmental Sustainability, discontinuance of this specialization** as a streamlining and cost savings measure; Environmental Science Program, College of Arts and Sciences (Evan Trivedi)
- xiii. **Environmental Science and Sustainability, B.S., renaming degree** and adding adding courses as a way to streamline and roll other specializations into this program; Environmental Science Program, College of Arts and Sciences (Evan Trivedi)
- xiv. **Music Education and Performance, Choral and General Music, B.M., program modification** to reduce core credits to 37; School of Music Theatre and Dance; School of Music, College of Arts and Sciences (Jeff Heisler)
- xv. **Music Education and Performance, Instrumental and General Music, B.M., program modification** to reduce core credits to 44; School of Music Theatre and Dance; School of Music, College of Arts and Sciences (Jeff Heisler)
- xvi. **English Secondary Teaching Minor, discontinuance of minor** effective Fall 2023 because STEP teaching minors are ending and endorsements will be available with new 'for Educator' programs; Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences (Robert Anderson)
- xvii. **History Secondary Teaching Minor, discontinuance of minor** effective Fall 2023 because STEP teaching minors are ending and endorsements will be available with new 'for Educator' programs; Department of History, College of Arts and Sciences (James Naus)
- xviii. **Mathematics Secondary Teaching Minor, discontinuance of minor** effective Fall 2023 because STEP teaching minors are ending and endorsements will be available with new 'for Educator' programs; Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences (Anna Spagnuolo)
- xix. **Physics Secondary Teaching Minor, discontinuance of minor** effective Fall 2023 because STEP teaching minors are ending and endorsements will be available with new 'for Educator' programs; Department of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences (Andrew Slavin)

c. **Combined Graduate School and Undergraduate Submissions**

None

- d. **Assessment Award Update** (no presentation)
  - i. There will be two Assessment Awards instead of one effective this academic year: one Program Assessment award and one General Education Assessment award. The award amount is \$3,000 for each award presented at the Faculty Recognition Awards event. (Song Yan - no presentation)
- e. **Governance & Curriculum Approvals** (Kristin Landis-Piwowar)
- f. **Update the Senate Committee (Co)Chairs for the Senate Record** (Amy Banes-Berceli)
  - General Education Program Revision Ad Hoc Committee  
Laila Guessous (SECS)  
Mary Paino (CAS)

- Teaching and Learning Committee  
Tammy Grace (SBA) Co-Chair 2023-202

**g. Provost's Updates**

OU has a new international travel insurance provider CISI (Cultural Insurance Services International). Faculty and staff traveling outside of the US on OU business must register for international health insurance. When an incident occurs overseas, OU uses this insurance enrollment list to identify any OU travelers who may be affected. This service is free. It provides travelers with access to policy information, safety alerts, and 24/7 emergency assistance.

For more information see: <https://www.oakland.edu/riskmanagement/foreigntravel/>

2. Roll Call - Dikka Berven

[Senators](#) only will vote on the business items.

3. Approval of the [Minutes of September 19, 2023](#)

4. Unfinished Business

None

5. New Business

- a. **Procedural Motion to staff Senate Standing Committees: Updates and Changes**

**MOVED** that the persons listed be appointed to the committees or positions designated.

- General Education Revision Ad Hoc Committee  
Deana Hays (SON)  
Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee  
Nikki Scott (CAS)

- b. **MOTION** from the Senate Budget Review Committee (SBRC) to change its charge to include a representative from the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost Office (EVPAA) as a non-voting, ex-officio member. The

presence of such a member as a guest during the past year has been extremely helpful to the committee in completing its responsibilities (Chaturi Edrisinha virtual)

**MOVED** that the Senate approve the change to the Senate Budget Review Committee (SBRC) to change its charge to include a representative from the EVPAA as a non-voting, ex-officio member.

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable and not eligible for final vote at this meeting

**Comment:** Proposed Change Rationale

- c. **MOTION** from the Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee to become a standing committee so that we may better continue to assess and recommend services and initiatives to the Senate, and help improve mental health service, communication and coordination on our campus (Susan McCarty virtual)

**MOVED** that the Senate approve the Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee becoming a standing committee.

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable and not eligible for final vote at this meeting

**Comment:** Proposed Change Rationale

- d. **MOTION** from the Undergraduate Committee on Undergraduate Instruction (UCUI) to create a new Data Science, Bachelor of Science program to begin Fall 2024; Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science (Debatosh Debnath, Hua Ming)

**MOVED** that the Senate approve the new Data Science, Bachelor of Science program to begin Fall 2024; Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable and not eligible for final vote at this meeting

**Comment:** Program Proposal (updated)  
Curriculum Proposal with approvals  
UCUI Approval  
SBRC Recommendation  
SPRC Recommendation  
UAC Recommendation  
Proforma (updated)  
UAC Mapping  
Letter of Support, Dean Louay Chamra

- e. **MOTION** from the Oakland University Eye Research Institute (ERI) to create and establish an Eye Research Institution Constitution to benefit ERI and align with the broader mission and goals of the university. (Ken Mitton)

**MOVED** that the Senate approve the proposed Eye Research Institute (ERI) Constitution.

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable and not eligible for final vote at this meeting

**Comment:** ERI Proposed Constitution  
Appendix I - ERI Mission Statement and Historical Authorities

## 6. Good and Welfare

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