



ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA

Tuesday, May 12, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MEETING LOCATION: LRC 250 COMMUNITY ROOM

Guests may attend on Zoom: <https://ccd-edu.zoom.us/j/83068916663> | Meeting ID: 830 6891 6663
Meeting documents are also available in the [AS SharePoint](#) (CCCD login required)

Mission: The Golden West College Academic Senate’s mission is to serve its faculty, promote the best interests of higher education, and to represent the faculty in campus, district, and state-level senate charges by carrying out the primary functions as delineated in the CA Code of Regulations, Title 5, section 53200, which includes both academic and professional matters, and consulting collegially with the local campus and district governing boards. For additional information on the Academic Senate and its mission, please visit the [Academic Senate for California Community Colleges](#).

Vision: The GWC Academic Senate represents all faculty in the shared governance process. We are deeply committed to creating an inclusive and welcoming environment for faculty to express their diverse viewpoints and concerns while maintaining focus on curricular and professional activities. Our campus culture serves to express the collective sum of the individual differences, life experiences, knowledge, innovation, self-expression, and talent that our faculty invest in their work. The GWC Academic Senate will continue to focus on promoting excellence, access, opportunity, and inclusion on our campus and in our programs.

Please note: All GWC Academic Senate meetings are subject to audio and/or video recording at the Academic Senate’s discretion to maintain a record of the proceedings. Agendas and minutes will be archived in [the Academic Senate’s SharePoint](#).

ACADEMIC SENATE ROLL CALL (Bold = Executive Board)

Jennifer Bailly – CCI Chair	Noah Levin – Liberal Arts & Culture (ANTH, GEOG, GLST, PHIL)
Christy Banales – Classified Senate (<i>non-voting</i>)	Phuong Nguyen – Nursing/Health Professions
Krissy Barone – Kinesiology, Health Ed, Athletics	Teresa Nguyen – ELL/ESL/GED
Amanda Best – Arts	Teresa Roston – Cosmetology
Pete Bouzar – Mathematics & Engineering	Tiffany Ruggeri Delillo (Comm Studies) – Part-time Faculty At-large
Dawn Brooks – Performing Arts	Matthew Shimazu – Physical Sciences
Annamaria Crescimanno – Vice President Biological Sciences	Herman Singh – Social Sciences (ECON, PSCI, SOC, ETHS)
Laura Duvall – Psychology	Justin Smith – President History & Education
Sharon Fabian – ASGWC (<i>non-voting</i>)	Julie Terrazas – Library
Kate Green (Chemistry) – IPD Chair	Tammie Tran – World Languages (SIGN, INTR, SPAN, VIET)
Damien Jordan – Vice President Counseling & EOPS	Aleksandra Uchlik – Business, Account, Computer Science
John Kasabian – Auto Tech, Digital Arts, Drafting	Michelle Veyette (English PT)–Distance Education Coordinator (<i>non-voting</i>)
Heather Kelley – Communication Studies	Derrick Watkins – Criminal Justice
Theresa Lavarini – English	

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- A. Call to order – Justin Smith, AS President
- B. Welcome Guests
 1. Gisela Verduzco, Dean of Counseling (1:10 pm)
 2. Lauren Davis Sosenko, Dean of Institutional Research and Dual Enrollment, and C.J. Bishop, Senior Research Analyst (1:20 pm)
- C. Approval of the Agenda and Minutes
 1. Agenda – May 12, 2026
 2. Minutes – [April 28, 2026](#)
- D. Announcements, Congratulations, and Appreciation
 1. Congratulations to Kate Green, Professor of Chemistry, on being named a 2026 Orange County Teacher of the Year by the Orange County Department of Education.
 2. Reminder – May 26, the Academic Senate will meet in the MPR. Lunch will be provided.

- E. Opportunity for Public Comment (3 minutes per speaker) - Members of the public have the opportunity to address the Academic Senate on any item that has been described in this notice, before or during consideration of the item. We ask that you keep your comments to three minutes. Thank you.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Appointment of faculty members to the following committees and terms:

	FACULTY	DISCIPLINE	COMMITTEE	POSITION	TERM
1	Amy Jennings	Psychology	PDAC	IPD designee	2026-28
2	Brian Thill	English	IPD	English – Sub for Keisha Cosand, Fall 2026 Sabbatical Leave	Fall 2026
3	Jason Sheley	Philosophy	Academic Senate	Liberal Arts & Culture – Sub for Noah Levin, Fall 2026 Sabbatical Leave	Fall 2026
4	Michelle Dinger	Communication Studies (PT)	DEAC	Part-time Faculty At-Large	2026-28

III. NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

Full and Part-Time Faculty members are encouraged to nominate themselves.

Visit the [Academic Senate’s Faculty Service Opportunities webpage](#) to view committee openings, review committee descriptions, meeting information, and to submit your nomination. (PATHWAY: GWC Homepage > Quick Links > Academic Senate > Committees – Vacancies & Nominations)

- A. Call for Nominations – DCC BP/AP Subcommittee: Fall 2026 | Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays from 1-2 pm on Zoom
- B. Call for Nominations – Faculty Coordinators [MOUs](#) | [Nomination Form](#) (open until filled)
 - Nursing Assistant Director
 - Umoja Coordinator
- C. Call for Nominations for vacant terms beginning in Fall 2026.

The initial call is open for ten days (concluded March 4). After that period, positions will stay open until filled, with nominations submitted by noon on the Friday before a Senate meeting will be included on the agenda for committee appointment. Refer to the committee vacancies and nomination spreadsheet to access the nomination forms.

- **Academic Senate** | Term: three years
 - Criminal Justice | 2026-29
- **Council for Curriculum & Instruction (CCI)** | Term: three years
 - Art | 2026-29
 - Communication Studies | 2026-29
 - ELL/ESL/GED | 2026-29
 - Kinesiology, Health Ed, Athletics | 2025-28
 - Mathematics & Engineering | 2026-29
 - Part-time Faculty At-Large | 2025-28
- **Distance Education Advisory Committee (DEAC)** | Term: three years unless otherwise specified
 - Automotive Technology, Digital Arts, & Drafting | 2024-27
 - Communication Studies | 2024-27
 - Criminal Justice | 2024-27
 - Psychology | 2026-29
- **Institute for Professional Development (IPD)** | Term: three years unless otherwise specified
 - Automotive Technology, Digital Arts, Drafting | 2024-27
 - Criminal Justice | 2025-28
 - Library | 2024-27
- **College Technology Committee**
 - DEAC rep | 2025-27
- **Professional Development Advisory Committee**
 - Part-time Faculty At-Large | 2026-27
- **DEIA Committee**
 - English, ELL, ESL | 2026-28

IV. GUEST REPORTS & UPDATES (max 5 minutes per item; 5-10 minutes total)

- A. ASGWC Report – Sharon Fabian, ASGWC President
- B. [Technology update](#) – Gisela Verduzco, Dean of Counseling (1:10 pm)

V. UNFINISHED DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5-10 minutes per item; 10-15 minutes total)*

- A. Honors Program update – Damien Jordan, AS Vice President
 1. [Honors Program Structure TF Recommendations](#)
 2. [Honors Program To Do](#)
 3. [Honors Pilot Program Faculty Interest](#)
- B. [AS Resolution – Catalog Rights for Dual Enrollment Students](#), 2nd reading – Damien Jordan, AS Vice President
- C. Faculty Prioritization – Annamaria Crescimanno, AS Vice President
 1. Ratings: [Faculty Request Form, 3rd Reading](#) | [Updated Rubric Changes](#)
 2. [Amendment to the AS Bylaws](#), Article 1: Structure and Composition, Section 3-H-ii: Membership of the Academic Senate/Additional Senate Members

VI. NEW DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5 minutes per item; 5-10 minutes total)*

- A. Role of AS in addressing systemic inequity and institutional barriers as it pertains to academic and professional matters - Acknowledgement * Accountability * Action
 1. [Program Review Organizational Annual Plan 2026](#) – Lauren Davis Sosenko, Dean of Institutional Research and Dual Enrollment, and C.J. Bishop, Senior Research Analyst (1:20 pm)
 2. [AI Task Force Recommendations](#) – Noah Levin, Academic Senator
- B. Other Agenda Requests

VII. STANDING DISCUSSIONS & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5 minutes)*

- A. Program Review
- B. AI (Artificial Intelligence)
- C. 10 + 1

VIII. REPORTS & UPDATES *(max 3 minutes per report; total time 15 minutes (@ 2:45 pm)*

Electronic copies of written reports are due to the Senate Office by Thursday at 5:00 pm the week preceding the meeting for which the report is attached to the agenda.

- A. AS President’s Report – Justin Smith
- B. AS Vice Presidents’ Reports – Damien Jordan and Annamaria Crescimanno
- C. Council for Curriculum & Instruction (CCI) – Jennifer Bailly, Chair
- D. Institute for Professional Development (IPD) – Kate Green, Chair
- E. Distance Education Advisory Committee (DEAC) – Michelle Veyette, DE Coordinator
- F. Union Update – Theresa Lavarini, CFE Executive Director
- G. Special Reports (as requested by Academic Senate)
 - [DCC Technology Subcommittee Report by Shawn Taylor](#)
- H. Information Item

X. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Move to Adjourn. Thank You! – Senate President

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Senate Scholarship Fund Balance: Endowed balance: \$7,417. Recommended 2025-26 scholarship: \$500 *(Contact the Foundation Office to submit donations)*
- B. Senate Sympathy and Salutations Fund – *(Senators may contact the Foundation Office to submit donations)*
- C. 10+1 Senate Purview
 1. Curriculum including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines *(rely primarily)*
 2. Degree and certificate requirements *(rely primarily)*
 3. Grading policies *(mutually agree)*
 4. Educational program development *(rely primarily)*
 5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success *(rely primarily)*
 6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles *(mutually agree)*
 7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports *(rely primarily)*
 8. Policies for faculty professional development activities *(rely primarily)*
 9. Processes for program review *(rely primarily)*
 10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development *(mutually agree)*
 11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate *(mutually agree)*