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## SENATE AGENDA

Hybrid Meeting

In-person location: Waterloo Senate and Board Chambers

Thursday, November 27, 2025, 2:30 – 5:15 p.m.

### Open Session

1. Call to Order, D. MacLatchy,
  - a. Land Acknowledgement
  - b. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest
  - c. Approval of the Consent Agenda  
**Motion:** that Senate approve the Consent items listed for approval under item 12.a.
2. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes, D. MacLatchy
3. *In Camera* Session, D. MacLatchy  
(Ref: Senate Bylaw, Sections 4.11.a. i. (personal privacy), iii. (government relations), and iv. (competitive position))
4. Leadership Update
  - a. Report of the President, D. MacLatchy,
  - b. Report of the Interim Provost and VP Academic, T. McLaren,
  - c. Report from the Board of Governors,

### Reports and Recommendations from Standing Committees

5. Senate Academic Planning Committee, T. McLaren
  - a. Change to Irregular Course Policy, D. Van Nijnatten  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the revision of the Irregular Course policy in the Undergraduate Academic Calendar, effective Fall 2025 term.
  - b. Proposal for the Consolidation of Minors and Options, D. Van Nijnatten  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the removal of the category of Option from Laurier's undergraduate academic calendar and consolidate all Options into Minors and associated undergraduate revisions effective Fall 2027.

- c) Faculty of Arts, S. Lachapelle
  - i) Major Modification, English  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the closure of the Professional Writing Minor, offered through the English program at the Brantford campus.
  - ii) Major Modification, Languages and Literatures  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the closure of the French Minor within the Faculty of Liberal Arts.
- d) Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, B. Wolfe
  - i) Graduate Calendar, Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, ~~and~~,  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the proposed revisions to the calendar language for roles and responsibilities for graduate students, advisors, advisory committees, and graduate coordinators/officers/directors.
- 6. Senate Executive and Finance Committee, D. MacLatchy
  - a. 2026-2027 Budget Planning Process Update, P. Cant
- 7. Senate *ad hoc* Academic Structure Subcommittee Consultation, T. McLaren
- 8. Matters from the Consent Section of the Agenda
- 9. Other Business
- 10. Q&A
- 11. Adjournment
- 12. Consent Items

*The following items are provided for approval or information. The items noted for approval will be approved by consent unless otherwise highlighted during item 1.a.*

  - a. Items for Approval
    - i. Agenda
    - ii. Draft Minutes of the October 22, 2025 Senate Meeting
    - iii. Substantive Minor, Business Technology Management  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the changes to the Business Technology Management program curriculum.
    - iv. Substantive Minor, Business Technology Management  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the changes to the requirements of the Business Technology Management Option.
    - v. Substantive Minor, Master of Music (MMus C3)  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the change in course requirements to the Master of Music (MMus C3) program.
    - vi. Substantive Minor, Master of Science in Health Sciences  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the changes to the admission

- requirements of the course-based option of the Master of Science in Health Sciences.
- vii. Substantive Minor, Master of Applied Computing  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the changes to the admission requirements of the course-based option of the Master of Applied Computing program.
  - viii. Substantive Minor, Sociology  
**Motion:** that the Senate approve the addition of SY103 as a course that counts toward the junior credit requirement for the Sociology Minor.
- b. Items for Information
- i. Reports of the Senior Executives
  - ii. Embargoed New Program Proposal, PhD in Health Sciences
  - iii. Report from the Senate Executive and Finance Committee re: 3-Month Fiscal Update
  - iv. Fall Convocation Report
  - v. Fall Enrollment Report
  - vi. Report from the Senate Governance Committee: E-vote for Approval of Appointment of the Faculty Senator to the Sustainability Advisory Committee

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