APSC Actions - Fall 2024

- I. APSC approved the following new courses:
 - a. ENST 374 Politics of Climate Change (Sept. 16, 2024)
 - b. **GEOS 203 Treetop to Bedrock: An Introduction to the Critical Zone** (Sept. 16, 2024)
 - c. GEOS 204 Introduction to Geographical Information Systems with Field Applications (Sept. 23, 2024)
 - d. **THDA 131 Scenic Construction and Painting Techniques** (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - e. THDA 132 Costume and Soft-Goods Construction (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - f. THDA 133 Craft Construction for Stage (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - g. THDA 231 Sustainably Sculpting with Sound and Space Design for Live Performance & Film (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - h. THDA 232 Media Making Creating with Cameras, TV's, Computers and Projectors (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - i. THDA 233 Sustainable Light Design (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - j. THDA 234 Object Lessons: Design and Creation of Performance Objects for Stage and Screen (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - k. THDA 235 Costume Design as Artistic Process (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
 - 1. THDA 236 Magic Garments: the History of Costume Design for Performing Arts and Media (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)

II. APSC approved the removal of the following courses from the *Bulletin*:

- a. FREN 255 French Literature & Society (Sept. 16, 2024)
- b. FREN 256 French Literature & Society II (Sept. 16, 2024)
- c. FREN 273 Topics in Applied French (Sept. 16, 2024)
- d. PUSP 101 Introduction to Public Speaking (Nov. 18, 2024)

III. APSC approved the following curriculum changes:

- a. Revised learning outcomes for majors (Sept. 2, 2024)
- b. Request from THDA to break down THDA 130 and THDA 230 into a series of topics courses (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept 16, 2024)
- c. Removal of prerequisites from all 200-level PHIL courses except PHIL 258 (Sept. 16, 2024)
- d. Changes to the Theatre Art Major core requirements (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
- e. Changes to the THDA Theatre Arts Acting & Directing and Design & Technology emphases requirements (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
- f. Removal of the THDA Theatre Arts Dramatic Literature emphasis (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
- g. Changes to the THDA major and minor requirements (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
- h. Changes to the requirements for the THDA Theatre Arts and Dance minors (Sept. 9, 2024, Sept. 16, 2024)
- i. Request from GEAC for the addition of a Japan location to the Temple partnership (Sept. 23, 2024)
- j. Changes to the GEOS major requirements (Sept. 23, 2024, Oct. 28, 2024)
- k. Prerequisite change for ANTH 241 (Sept. 30, 2024)
- 1. PHIL 261 one-time only cap reduction (Sept. 30, 2024)
- m. Request from PHYS for a one-time only evening meeting time for ASTR/PHYS 306 in spring 2025 (Oct. 7, 2024)
- n. Permanent cap reduction for ARTH/ARCH 206 (Oct. 7, 2024)

- o. Request from BIOL for a change to the start time of BIOL 322 in spring 2025 (Oct. 7, 2024)
- p. Request from ARTH for a revision to the ARTH minor (Oct. 7, 2024)
- q. Minor in Middle East Studies (Oct. 14, 2024)
- r. Request from GEAC for the addition of Croatia location to SFS partnership beginning in spring 2025 (Oct. 14, 2024)
- s. Request from GEAC to pilot a new partner program with AIFS Seoul beginning in fall 2025 (Oct. 14, 2024)
- t. Additional screening time for ENGL 101/FMST 205 in spring 2025 (Oct. 14, 2024)
- u. ARTH 235 prerequisite change (Oct. 28, 2024)
- v. Revision to the GEOS minor (Oct. 28, 2024)
- w. Changes to the ECON major and minor requirements (Oct. 28, 2024)
- x. **0.25 credit structure for INTR/REXP** (Oct. 28, 2024)
- y. Request from JDST to change the class time of HEBR 102 for spring 2025 only (Nov. 4, 2024)
- z. The continuation of the online summer pilot by invitation only for summer 2025 (Nov. 11, 2024, Nov. 18, 2024, Dec. 9, 2024)
- aa. Request from ARTH for a morning time slot for ARTH 360 (Nov. 18. 2024)
- bb. INBM 400 overlap Thur noon slot in Spring 2025 (Nov. 18, 2024)
- cc. Guideline for topics course offerings (Nov. 11, 2024, Nov. 18, 2024)
- dd. Changes to the BCMB major requirements (Nov. 18, 2024)
- ee. Changes to the HIST major requirements (Nov. 18, 2024, Nov. 25, 2025)
- ff. DATA three-course sequence in MEST (Nov. 25, 2025)
- gg. Changes to the FREN major and minor requirements (Dec. 9, 2024)

IV. APSC denied the following:

- a. Request from ARTH to permanently lower the capacity of ARTH 212 (Oct. 7, 2024)
- b. Request to pause the admission of new majors to LAWP (Oct. 14, 2024)

V. APSC approved changes to the following policies:

a. **Permanent policy for graduation participation for non-graduating students** (Sept. 23, 2024, Sept. 30, 2024)

VI. Hiring

a. Update on positions from Spring 2024 (Sept. 2, 2024, Sept. 30, 2024)

VII. Discussions

- a. The relationship between APSC and P&B (Sept. 16, 2024)
- b. Potential change to the charge of APSC (Sept. 16, 2024)
- c. Assessment of the Summer 2024 Online Pilot (Sept. 23, 2024)
- d. Review of the Faculty Position Request Form (Sept. 30, 2024)
- e. Requests for exceptions to FATS/The Spread of Classes (Sept. 30, 2024)
- f. Interdisciplinary GIS & Spatial Reasoning Proposal (Sept. 30, 2024)
- g. New weekly schedule (Oct. 7, 2024)
- h. Film & Media Studies major proposal (Oct. 14, 2024)
- i. Report from LXC on the Dickinson Language Requirement (Oct. 28. 2024)
- j. Health Programs Summer Study Group report (Nov. 4, 2024)
- k. Inequity in academic sanctions (Nov. 4, 2024, Nov. 11, 2024)
- 1. **Inquiry about courses used for the Arts** requirement (Nov. 11, 2024)
- m. Certificate in Leadership Foundations with Steve Riccio (Nov. 18, 2024, Nov. 25, 2024)

- n. LMS Report with James D'Annibale (Nov. 25, 2025)
- o. Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week (Dec. 9, 2024)
- p. Effective Dates for Changes to Major and/or Minor Requirements (Dec. 9, 2024)

VIII. Announcements

- a. Rachel Eng announced that a communication was sent to department chairs explaining that faculty who schedule courses outside of the faculty-approved time slots must now submit petitions to APSC for approval (Sept. 2, 2024)
- b. Rachel Eng announced that department chairs can now approve course title and description changes and report them directly to the Registrar's Office (Sept. 2, 2024)
- c. Rachel Eng announced that New Course Proposal forms will now be vetted by Academic Technology, the library, and/or the Senior Associate Provost of Academic Affairs as needed (Sept. 2, 2024)
- d. Renée Cramer announced that our Middle States evidentiary report is due on September 5, 2024 (Sept. 2, 2024)
- e. Renée Cramer announced that all committees are asked for shorter faculty meeting reports (Sept. 2, 2024)
- f. Renée Cramer announced that Hartman House will be open each weekday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for the fall semester as a space for faculty and staff to hang out and interact (Sept. 2, 2024)
- g. Greg Moyer reported on the Class of 2028 (Sept. 2, 2024)
- h. Greg Moyer reported that FAFSA has already announced a delay again for this year (Sept. 2, 2024)
- i. Laura Megivern announced the re-running of the CCLA faculty book discussion group, the CCLA brown-bag lunch series, the fall retreat for seniors, and the service trip for students over Fall Pause (Sept. 2, 2024)
- j. Renée Cramer reported on the status of the LMS evaluation project (Sept. 30, 2024)

IX. Reports

- a. APSC Pending Items Fall 2024 (Sept. 2, 2024)
- b. Spring 2024 Withdrawal Report (Sept. 9, 2024)
- c. 24SP Section Withdrawals (Sept. 9, 2024)
- d. Current W Reasons (Sept. 9, 2024)
- e. Class gpas Longitudinal (Sept. 9, 2024)
- f. Grade Analysis Supplement (Sept. 9, 2024)
- g. **APSC Actions Spring 2024** (Sept. 9, 2024)
- h. **GEAC program updates** (Oct. 14, 2024)
- i. **Roll Call Report Fall 2024** (Nov. 11, 2024)
- j. Annual Assessment Report CTLS (Dec 9, 2024)

X. External Department Reviews

- a. Assignment of APSC liaisons for ARTH, CRWR, NRSC, THDA (Sept. 2, 2024)
- b. CGSE impact Reports 2017-2020 and 2021-2023, Forum Award on Advancing the UNSDGs in Education Abroad (Sept. 9, 2024)
- c. Discussion of the Reports submitted by the external evaluators for CLST and FREN (Sept. 9, 2024)
- d. RUSS Response to APSC Memo Following 2023-2024 External Review (Sept. 9, 2024)
- e. Discussion of the Reports submitted by the external evaluators for CCLA, GRMN, ITAL, MATH, PHIL, and RELG (Sept. 16, 2024)

- f. **Discussion of the report submitted by the external evaluators for SPST** (Sept. 30, 2024)
- g. PHIL Response to APSC Memo Following 2023-2024 External Review (Nov. 4, 2024)
- h. The Creative Writing external review originally scheduled for AY 2024-2025 has been delayed until AY 2028-2029 (Nov.11, 2024)
- i. MATH Response to APSC Memo Following 2023-2024 External Review (Nov. 25, 2025, Dec. 9, 2025)
- j. FREN Response to APSC Memo Following 2023-2024 External Review (Dec. 9, 2025)

XI. Unfinished Business

- a. SPAN Response to APSC Memo Following 2023-2024 External Review
- b. Substituting WRPG 101 for FYSM
- c. FMST Major Proposal
- d. Certificate in Leadership Foundations
- e. New Weekly Course Schedule
- f. U.S. Diversity and Global Diversity Review of Learning Outcomes
- g. Registration in Workday
- h. SPST Department Award
- i. Advising Reimagined Update
- j. Tribal Law & Policy Cross-Listing with Penn State Law
- k. MUAC 495 Reactivation
- 1. New Archaeology Prize
- m. Standardization of Non-Credit Requirement (example AFST)