

[Admissions and Financial Aid Committee](#) (AFAC)

**Agenda**  
**Thursday, April 6, 2023**  
**10:30am – 12:00pm**

**Zoom Information:**

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**Meeting ID:** 857 6823 4797

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- I. **Consent Calendar – Chair Eaton – 10:30am – 10:35am**
  - A. The Agenda
  - B. [March 16 Meeting Minutes](#)
  
- II. **Chair’s Report – Chair Eaton – 10:35am – 10:40am**
  - A. April 3 DivCo Meeting
  
- III. **BIO Selection Criteria – Chair Eaton – 10:40am – 10:50am**

Biological Sciences Department Chair Gordon Bennett submitted a request for updated selection criteria and course articulation for the BIO major, effective Fall 2025, available [here](#).

**Requested Action:** Members discuss the requested changes to BIO selection criteria. If there are no concerns, voting members vote to endorse the changes.
  
- IV. **Campus Review Items – 10:50am – 11:30am**

Institutional Research & Reporting Manager Gary Lowe provided IRDS data and analysis for majors and minors, available [here](#).

  - A. **[SNS B.S in Data Science and Computing](#) – Mike Cleary**

The proposal was distributed to the Chairs of Senate Committees, the SSHA Executive Committee, and the SoE Executive Committee. The policy governing the review and approval of Undergraduate Degree Programs is available [here](#).

**Lead Reviewer:** Mike Cleary  
Lead reviewer’s draft memo is available [here](#).

**Requested Action:** Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment. If no additional comments, members vote to endorse the draft memo.

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**Deadline for comments to the Senate Chair:** Friday, April 18, 2023.

- B. **[SSHA B.A. Degree and Minor in Environmental Humanities](#)** – Siddaiah Yarra  
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**Lead Reviewer:** Siddaiah Yarra  
Lead reviewer's draft memo is forthcoming.

**Requested Action:** Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment.  
If no additional comments, members vote to endorse the draft memo.

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- C. **[SSHA B.S. Degree in Public Health](#)** – Charlie Eaton  
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**Lead Reviewer:** Charlie Eaton  
Lead reviewer's draft memo is forthcoming.

**Requested Action:** Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment.  
If no additional comments, members vote to endorse the draft memo.

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- D. **[SSHA Cognitive & Information Sciences Honors Program](#)** – Charlie Eaton  
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**Lead Reviewer:** Charlie Eaton  
Lead reviewer's draft memo is forthcoming.

**Requested Action:** Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment.  
If no additional comments, members vote to endorse the draft memo.

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- V. **Consultation with SNS Dean Dumont and Dr. Vener – 11:30am – 11:50am**

- A. **[Update on Medical Education](#)**

- VI. **Any Other Business – 11:50am – 12:00pm**

- VII.** **Informational Items** will be regularly uploaded on the “Informational Items” AFAC Box Folder [here](#).