

College of Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee
Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the Fall 2025 Semester
10:30 AM on December 2nd, 2025
Liberal Arts Building, Dean's Conference Room, Room 342

Chair: Selfa Chew-Melendez

I. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 10:31 AM

II. Quorum Call

Arthur Aguirre	Leadership Studies	Present
Jane Evans	<i>Chicano Studies, Languages, Linguistics</i>	Present
Chris Guerra	<i>Criminal Justice and Security Studies</i>	Present
Taeko Hiroi	<i>Political Science and Public Administration</i>	Present
Heather Kaplan	<i>Art</i>	Present
Lindsey Macchiarella	<i>Music</i>	Present
Teresa Quezada	<i>English</i>	Present
James Stratton	<i>Theatre and Dance</i>	Present
Quorum:	8	
Members Present:	8 of 14	

Also in Attendance:

Julianne Flores	<i>Office of the Dean – College of Liberal Arts</i>	Present
Charles F. Leinberger	<i>Music</i>	Present
Gaspare Genna	<i>Political Science and Public Administration</i>	Present

III. Revision and Approval of November and November 11th, 2025, Minutes

- Revisions: None
- Motion: Unanimous consent
- November and November 11th 2025 Minutes Approved

IV. Revision and Approval of December 2025 Agenda

- Revisions: None
- Motion: Unanimous consent
- December 2025 Agenda Approved

V. New Business

- Department of Political Science and Public Administration
 - Add POLS 3324 to the North American Studies list of Electives
 - Discussion led by Gaper Genna
 - The North American Studies minor currently has courses in Native American Studies through the Sociology and Anthropology Department. The addition of POLS 3324 (Indigenous Law and Politics) will further add to the minor's offering in this important subject of study.
 - Motion: Unanimous consent
 - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Music
 - Music Theory Updates
 - Discussion led by Charles F. Leinberger
 - The Department of Music will no longer require students to take a placement exam or pass MUST 1311 or MUST 1312 as a prerequisite. Since 2022, the Department of Music has been part of Exemplary Student Pathways (ESP). The goal of our participation in ESP is to reduce the number of semesters and the number of credit hours to graduation in the Bachelor of Music degree. These changes will facilitate completing the Bachelor of Music degree in four years. By approving these changes, few, if any, music majors will need to enroll in Music Fundamentals.
 - Motion: Unanimous consent
 - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- CEL Designations
 - Motion: Unanimous consent
 - Curriculum changes approved as submitted

VI. Other Business

- No other business to discuss

VII. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 10:43 AM