

## **FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING**

**APRIL 4, 2024**

### Members present

Eric Kessell, Pramod Khosla, Alina Cherry, Jaime Goodrich, Sarah Swider, Chuanzhu Fan, Edward Golenberg, Robert Harr, Shelly Jo Kraft, Zachary Brewster, Fernando Charro, Yuson Jung, Victor Figueroa, Christopher Trentacosta, Andrew Newman, Ty Partridge.

### Attending

Stephanie Hartwell, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Jennifer Wareham, Lori Pile, Marc Wolf, Anne Duggan, Elizabeth Faue, Vanessa DeGifis

### Absent with notice

John Klein, Hien Nguyen.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

The minutes of the March 7, 2024 meeting were approved as amended.

Anne Duggan provided a report from the college Budget Advisory Committee. She noted the college's 3% cut for this year, which will be covered largely by a reduction in GTA lines, and the likelihood of a 3% cut next year as well. She and Dean Hartwell both noted the need for growth in M.A. programs, which the dean noted had been emphasized at a recent meeting with graduate program directors.

Vanessa DeGifis presented the proposed undergraduate certificates in practical German and practical Italian, both of which were approved.

Elizabeth Faue presented the changes to the B.A. and the M.A. in Employment and Labor Relations, both of which were approved.

Caroline Brzuchowski encouraged faculty to self-nominate for CLAS and article XXX committees. The deadline for nominations for CLAS committees is Apr. 12.

Dean Hartwell provided updates on the college's recent budget hearing. She said that, while the college will not hear back for a few months, CLAS should anticipate a 6% cut over the next two years (3% this year and 3% next). She also noted recent meetings with the college's Ph.D., DEI, and Recruitment committees.

Lori Pile noted that the submission rates for midterm grades were down this term in CLAS. Ty Partridge and others said that there were problems getting the midterm grades to load.

Faculty were encouraged to attend the upcoming May 2 commencement ceremonies.

The meeting adjourned at 10 a.m.