

# INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

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March 19, 2026

**To:** Sara Billey Professor – College of Arts & Sciences, Natural Sciences Division  
Ann Bostrom Professor – Evans School of Public Policy & Governance  
Renata Bura Professor – College of the Environment  
Sergio Davalos Professor and Director – UW Tacoma – Milgard School of Business  
Mark Forehand Associate Dean and Professor – Michael G. Foster School of Business  
Huck Hodge Professor—Arts & Sciences—Arts Division  
Bill Howe Associate Professor – Information School  
Juhua Hu Associate Professor – UW Tacoma—School of Engineering & Technology  
Deborah Kamen Professor—Arts & Sciences—Humanities Division  
Wooyoung Kim Associate Professor – UW Bothell – School of STEM  
Patricia Kuszler Professor – School of Law  
Kelly Lee Professor – School of Pharmacy  
Kari Lerum Associate Professor – UW Bothell—Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences  
Celia Lowe Professor – Arts & Sciences—Social Sciences Division  
Kathryn Rogers Merlino Associate Professor – College of Built Environments  
Kristen Missall Professor – College of Education  
Tracy Popowics Professor – School of Dentistry  
David Raible Professor – Graduate School Interdisciplinary Programs  
Jennifer Romich Associate Dean & Professor – School of Social Work  
Jennifer A. Slyker Associate Chair and Associate Professor – School of Public Health  
Jennifer Sonney Associate Professor— School of Nursing  
Edith Wang Assistant Dean and Associate Professor— School of Medicine  
Paul Yager Professor— College of Engineering

Jackie Belanger UW Libraries – ex-officio  
Bryan Blakeley Associate Vice Provost, Partnerships & Online Learning– Continuum College – ex-officio  
Ryan Wicklund President – GPSS ex-officio

**From:** Joy Williamson-Lott Dean of the Graduate School  
Mayumi Willgerodt Graduate School Council Chair, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs– Graduate School

**Meeting will be held in Loew Hall 310 and by Zoom:**

<https://washington.zoom.us/j/98626171897>

## AGENDA

Graduate School Council for Thursday, March 19, 2026  
2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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**Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, and Welcome**

2:30– 2:50 pm

**Program Proposal: Graduate Certificate in Instructional Leadership  
College of Education**

Katie Hollenbach, Curriculum Specialist in the Graduate School Office of Academic Affairs, will provide an overview of the program proposal from the College of Education.

Council will consider the program proposal from the College of Education to offer a Graduate Certificate in Instructional Leadership program. The following guests will attend: Mia Tuan, Dean and Professor in the College of Education; Sylvia Bagley, Assistant Teaching Professor in the College of Education; and Kara Jackson, Professor and Chair of Teaching Learning & Curriculum in the College of Education.

- Recusal: Council member Kristen Missall will recuse from the Executive Session.

2:50 – 3:20 pm

**Academic Unit Review: Department of American Ethnic Studies  
College of Arts & Sciences**

Council will consider the academic unit review of the Department of American Ethnic Studies. The following guests will attend: Andrea Woody, Divisional Dean of Social Sciences in the College of Arts & Sciences and Alexes Harris, Professor in the Department of Sociology and Chair of the Department of American Ethnic Studies.

3:20 – 3:50 pm

**Academic Unit Review: Graduate Certificate in Demographic Methods  
College of Arts & Sciences**

Council will consider the academic review of the Graduate Certificate in Demographic Methods program, offered by the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology. The following guests will attend: Andrea Woody, Divisional Dean of Social Sciences in the College of Arts & Sciences and Sara Curran, Professor in the Jackson School of International Studies and Director of the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology.

- Recusal: Council member Ann Bostrom, who serves on the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology (CSDE) Executive Board will recuse from the Executive Session.

3:50 pm

**Lookahead**

Informational copies to:

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2. Vice Provost, Continuum College
3. Chairs and Directors of Academic Units
4. Chair, Faculty Senate
5. Provost and Executive Vice President
6. Vice Provost for Research
7. Deans of Colleges and Schools
8. Secretary of the Faculty
9. Graduate School Associate Deans