

INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

October 15, 2026

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

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

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

AGENDA

Graduate School Council for Thursday, October 15, 2026

2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

2:30 pm

Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

Consent Agenda

Degree Option Proposal: Doctor of Philosophy (Neuroscience) - Data Science Option

Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs

Council will consider this proposal for a new degree option [Doctor of Philosophy (Neuroscience) - Data Science option] as a consent agenda item. Please send any questions to progprop@uw.edu by Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at noon. If you believe this item requires further discussion, indicate so in your email or during the meeting. It will then be removed from the consent agenda and added to a future meeting.

2:30 – 2:50 pm

Program Proposal: Department of Sociology

College of Arts & Sciences

Social Sciences Division

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

Council will consider the proposal from the Department of Sociology to offer a Master of Science in Social Data Analytics program. The following guests will attend: Andrea Woody, Divisional Dean of Social Sciences; Kyle Crowder, Professor and Chair of the Department of Sociology; and Sarah Quinn, Associate Professor.

2:50 – 3:10 pm

Academic Unit Review: School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences

College of the Environment

Council will consider the academic unit review of the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences. The following guests will attend: Joel Thornton, Dean of the College of the Environment, and Tim Essington, Professor and Director of the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences.

3:10 – 3:30 pm

Academic Unit Review: Department of Comparative History of Ideas

College of Arts & Sciences

Humanities Division

Council will consider the academic unit review of the Department of Comparative History of Ideas. The following guests will attend: Richard Wright, Interim Divisional Dean of Humanities in the College of Arts & Sciences, and José Antonio Lucero, Professor and Chair of the Department of Comparative History of Ideas.

3:30 – 3:50 pm

Academic Unit Review: Daniel J. Evans School of Public Policy & Governance

Council will consider the academic unit review of the Daniel J. Evans School of Public Policy & Governance. Jodi Sandfort, Dean of the Evans School of Public Policy & Governance, will attend.

- Council member Ann Bostrom, representing the Evans School, will recuse from the executive session.

3:50 pm

Look ahead and Adjourn

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