

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
AGENDA FOR THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING
October 15, 2025
3:00-4:15 p.m.

<https://gmu.zoom.us/j/91771104134>*

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of the Minutes: August 27, 2025 & September 17, 2025
- III. Opening Remarks & Announcements from the President of the Senate
 - A. Future of Graduate Education Committee
 - B. Search for Senate Clerk
- IV. Special Guests & Discussion
 - A. President Greg Washington
 - B. VP and CFO Dan Stephens (time permitting)
- V. Senate Standing Committee Reports
 - A. Academic Policies
 - B. Budget and Resources
 - C. Faculty Matters
 - D. Nominations
 - E. Organization and Operations
- VI. New Business
- VII. Remarks for the Good of the General Faculty
- VIII. Adjournment

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APPENDIX A
NOMINATIONS

FACULTY SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES AY 2025-2026
Committee members are elected to serve two-year terms.

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FACULTY MATTERS
1 Opening (Tenure Track)

NOMINATIONS

1 Opening

Pursuant to Faculty Senate Bylaws, nominations must be made from Senate Floor

UNIVERSITY STANDING COMMITTEES AY 2025-2026

Faculty Senators appear in BOLD type.

ACADEMIC APPEALS

1 Opening

Linda Merola

GRIEVANCE

1 Opening (Tenured Faculty Senator)

WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

2 Openings (Schar, Carter School)

Todd LaPorte (Schar)

Admissions Committee Charge

	Existing ¹	Proposed (as of April 29, 2025)
Charge	Be in dialog with the admissions office about current admissions statistics and practices and provide reports to Faculty Senate. Explore aspects of admissions standards that may impact student recruitment, enrollment, success, and retention. Communicate to faculty via the Faculty Senate about activities they can engage in to help the Admissions Office. Be a resource to the Admissions Office for answering questions from multiple perspectives. Bring recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding issues impacting the admissions process	Be in dialog with the Admissions Office about current admissions practices and outcomes, and provide reports to the Faculty Senate. Explore aspects of admissions standards that may affect student recruitment, enrollment, success, and retention. Be a resource to the Admissions Office for providing input from faculty perspectives. Bring recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding issues impacting the admissions process. Communicate to all university faculty via the Faculty Senate about activities they can engage in to help the Admissions Office.
Membership	The committee membership comprises seven members: • Admissions Office-appointed member. • Senate-appointed member from Senate Budget and Resources committee. • 5-elected members with three-year terms.	The committee membership comprises seven members: • Dean of Admissions or their designate (co-chair) • Senate-appointed member from Senate Budget and Resources committee (co-chair) • 5-elected members with staggered three-year terms.
Meetings	The Committee will meet monthly.	The Committee will meet once per semester, in the first half of the semester, with more meetings scheduled as needed.

¹ Charge as revised and approved by the Faculty Senate February 3, 2021, <https://facultysenate.gmu.edu/committees/university-committee-charges>