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## AcA19-01 PRC Review of Political Science (CAS)

### Main Motion:

"Motion to accept Program Review Committee memo of 2018-5-28 on the review of Political Science program."

- Carried over from 2017-18 AcA session, tabled on 2018-06-11.

### Amendments:

Introduced by 2017-18 AcA member Erik Olsen (CAS) as written:

#### Amendment 1:

I propose the following amendment to change the third recommendation in the memo:  
"Strengthen political theory as a subfield and the political theory position."

#### Amendment 2:

I also propose adding the following eighth recommendation to the PRC memo: "Training in quantitative methods is also often important for the post-undergraduate education and professional development of political science majors. While the political science department does not currently have the resources or staff to offer its own quantitative methods class, it should explore (with the support of the College of Arts and Sciences) the possibility of collaborating with other social science programs and departments to provide opportunities for social science students to be trained in quantitative methods."

Amendment documents introduced by Erik Olsen (CAS) during 2017-18.

Discussion in both AcA meetings of 2018-10-15 and 2018-10-22.

**Vote on the Amendment:** Amendment not seconded, and was not considered. "Amendment- there is no second, amendment is not to be considered." – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 2. XIII.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "Motion on the floor is to accept PRC memo as written or Program Review Committee. Seconded. Vote: In favor: 19. Vote: Opposed: 0. Vote: Abstention: 2" – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, XIV – XVIII.

## AcA19-02 Procedures for Visitors to AcA

### Main Motion:

“That, as a general practice, AcA are asked to rank all proposed visitors at the beginning of each quarter (allowing for exceptions of urgent issues that may emerge), in order to more effectively plan and prioritize its meeting time. Further, that as a general practice (for which occasional exceptions can be made), that all proposed visitors are asked to provide informational materials for circulation to the membership at least 48 hours in advance, so that meetings with the visitors are spent on questions and further discussion rather than presentation.”

- Introduced as written by Kirsten Thompson (CAS) on 2018-10-11

### Amendments:

“Motion to divide the proposed statement after the word ‘further.’” – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3. XXVII

**Vote on the Amendment: Approved.** “Vote on amendment to divide: Vote : In favor: 19, Vote: Opposed: 0, Vote: Abstention: 2” – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3. XXIX 1-4.

### Vote on the first part of the divided Motion: Not Approved.

“That, as a general practice, AcA are asked to rank all proposed visitors at the beginning of each quarter (allowing for exceptions of urgent issues that may emerge), in order to more effectively plan and prioritize its meeting time.” Vote: In Favor: 4, Opposed: 13, Abstention: 4 – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3. XXX 1-3.

### Vote on the second part of the divided Motion: Approved.

“Further, that as a general practice (for which occasional exceptions can be made), that all proposed visitors are asked to provide informational materials for circulation to the membership at least 48 hours in advance, so that meetings with the visitors are spent on questions and further discussion rather than presentation” Vote: In favor – 21, Vote: Opposed – 0, Vote: Abstention – 0. – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3, XXXV 1-3

### Amendments:

“Two business days.” Instead of 48 hours – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3. XXXVII

**Vote on the Amended Motion: Approved.** “Vote: In favor – 21, Vote: Opposed – 0, Vote: Abstention: 0) - Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 3. XLI 1-3.

## AcA19-03 LGBTQ Minor (CAS) PRC Memo

### **Main Motion:**

"Motion to accept PRC memo on the creation of LGBTQ Minor." - verbally introduced.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "Those in favor of accepting PRC memo as is: Vote: Approve -21, Vote: Opposed -0, Vote: Abstention -0. – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 5. IX-XII.

Note: One week voting rule suspended – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22 5. VIII

## AcA19-04 Form Subcommittee on AcA Bylaws

### Main Motion:

“I’d like to move that a subcommittee of between 3-5 current AcA members be formed immediately in order to review and revise the current AcA bylaws.”

- Introduced as written by Kate Koppelman (CAS)

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “Approve -20, Vote: Opposed -0, Vote: Abstention -0.  
– Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22, 6. XIX.

### Subsequent & Related Motions

“Motion to ask for volunteers to serve on AcA Bylaws. Seconded.”

“Volunteers are: Kate Koppelman (CAS), Kirsten Thompson (CAS), Greg Silverman (LAW), Ben Howe (CAS), and AJ Stewart (CSE), Arie Greenleaf (COE)”

“Propose increasing membership for bylaws sub-committee to 6 since we have 6 volunteers. Seconded.”

“Vote: 17 in favor” no opposition and no abstentions

- Approved AcA Minutes 2018-10-22 7. I-V.

## **AcA19-05 Grad Student Popko Lounge After Hour Use**

### **Main Motion:**

“AcA supports Popko Lounge usage by graduate students after 5:00pm” – introduced verbally.

**Vote on the Main Motion:** Not seconded and not considered further.

### **Pertinent Developments:**

Extensive discussions on 2018-11-05 and 2018-11-19 AcA meetings.

### **Alternate Solution:**

“Provost Update (Shane P. Martin) on Popko Lounge. An alternative solution was reached: the McGoldrick Collegium will be staffed to remain open until 8:00pm, Monday through Friday, for the remainder of the academic year” – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-11-19, II. A. 1.

## AcA19-06 Online Course Pilot and Future Process Proposal

### Main Motion:

**Motion 1:** “Approve two related proposals from the Core and CAS to conduct pilot studies of changes in instructional delivery method from face-to-face to online of two courses each” – introduced as written by PRC – Approved AcA Minute 2018-12-03, III, C. 1.

Alternate description: “Motion 1 to approve the pilot of two courses each (Core Module III and College of Arts and Sciences), one in WQ19 and one in SQ19” – Approved AcA Minute 2018-12-03, III. A. 1.

**Vote on the Motion 1: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Minute 2018-12-03, III, C. 1a.

**Motion 2:** “Approve and support the development of a Task Force to study the implications and plan strategically for any significant scale-up of online learning at SU” – introduced as written by PRC – Approved AcA Minute 2018-12-03, III, C. 2.

Alternate description: “Motion 2 to endorse the Provost to convene a task force to examine the long-term questions and concerns surrounding online courses” – Approved AcA Minute 2018-12-03, III. A. 2.

**Vote on the Motion 2: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Minute 2018-12-03, III, C. 2a.

## AcA19-07 PRC Review of Sociology Program (CAS)

### **Main Motion:**

"Motion to accept Program Review Committee memo on the review of Sociology program." – verbally introduced.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "14 approve, 0 oppose, 1 abstain." – Minute 2018-12-03, IV, D. a.

Note: One week voting rule suspended – Approved AcA Minutes 2018-12-03, IV, C. a.



## AcA19-08 Faculty Salary Committee Appointment

### Committee Announcement:

**Faculty Salary Committee:** (17 voted) “Tina Zamora (ASB) 111, Connie Anthony (CAS) 91, Mathew Isaac (ASB) 85, Peter Collins (CAS) 83, Katya Emm (ASB) 80,” thee other faculty candidates not selected. – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-14, VI, C. 1.

## AcA19-09 PRC Suspension of Four STM Programs

### **Main Motion:**

"Motion to accept PRC memo recommendation to suspend four programs." – verbally introduced.

“Suspension of four STM programs

- Graduate Studies Certificate in Diaconal Ministry-Episcopal
- Graduate Studies Certificate in Diaconal Ministry: United Methodist
- MA in Transforming Spirituality
- MA in Transforming Spirituality/Studies in Spirituality Specialization”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, A. 2.

Note: One week voting rule suspended – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, A. 2.

## **AcA19-10 PRC Suspension and Revision of Two ASB Programs**

### **Main Motion:**

"Suspension of Sport Sustainability Leadership Certificate and Master Sport Business Leadership program." – verbally introduced.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "17 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain." – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, B. 2.

## **AcA19-11 PRC New Mechanical Engineering Minor (CSE)**

### **Main Motion:**

"Approve PRC memo recommendation to approve new (Mechanical Engineering) minor program." – verbally introduced.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "17 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain." – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, C. 2. a.

## **AcA19-12 PRC Restructuring Computer Engineering BS Program (CSE)**

### **Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo to revise current program, approve new program, and terminate specialization (in computer engineering)” – introduced verbally.

- New BS in Computer Engineering
- Termination of the Electrical Engineering Specialization in Computer Engineering
- Revision of the BS in Electrical Engineering

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, D. 2. a.

## AcA19-13 PRC Two New Criminal Justice Degrees (CAS & LAW)

### **Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the creation of two degrees concerning Criminal Justice” – introduced verbally.

- New MA in Criminal Justice 4+1
- New BA in Criminal Justice and JD Law 3+3

Motion tabled. New Motion introduced on the floor:

**New Motion:** “The question of these two degree proposals shall be referred back to the Executive Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences with a request for a written response to AcA on the following:

- Impact on Matteo Ricci Institute,
- Equity concerns regarding criteria for admittance,
- Effect on double majors and minors,
- Concerns raised in Program Review Committee memos.”

**Vote on the New Motion: Approved.** “16 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, IV, E. 3. a.

Note: Motion reintroduced (renumbered as AcA19-19) and settled on 2019-04-01.

## AcA19-14 PRC Program Revision (STM, ASB, & CSE)

### Main Motions:

“Affirm PRC memo on the revision of Master of Divinity (STM)”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, V, C. 2. a.

“Affirm PRC memo on the revision of Master of Arts in Transformational Leadership (STM)”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, V, D. 1. a.

“Affirm PRC memo on the revision of Master of Professional Accounting (ASB)”

**Amendment:** “Motion to amend memo to strike the Initial Concerns section, not part of normal PRC process to leave this in, will loop back to PRC for process improvement”

**Vote on the Amendment: Approved.** “20 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.”

**Vote on the Amended Motion: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, V, F. 1-2.

“Affirm PRC memo on the revision of Master of Structural Engineering (CSE)”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “20 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, V, E. 2. a.

“Affirm PRC memo on the revision of BS Mechanical Engineering (CSE)”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “20 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-01-28, V, G. 1. a.

Note: One week voting rule suspended – Approved AcA Minute 2019-02-25, V, B. 1.

## AcA19-15 University Assessment Committee (UAC) Charter Revision

### **Main Motion:**

“Affirm UAC Charter Revision Proposal” – introduced verbally.

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “20 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-02-25, VI, A. 1.



## AcA19-16 Motion on SU Use of Outside Consultants

### Main Motion:

“Motion 1: I move that the appropriate members of the administration and Board of Trustees compile and share the following with AcA:

- 1) A summary of all consultants hired in the last 5 years. This summary should include:
  - a. What they were hired for
  - b. What costs were incurred, subdivided into:
    - i. Compensation costs
    - ii. Incidental costs (e.g., travel, hotel, meal)
  - c. All affiliations, shared interests, or potential conflicts of interest with SU Cabinet members and SU Trustees.
  
- 2) A summary of all substantive changes to SU policy and practice resulting from those consultations over the last 5 years, including especially cost reductions and/or shifting of resources from one area of SU to another.”

“Motion 2: Given that AcA’s purview has been determined to include: "academic, university-wide matters, as well as areas that influence student learning. Such matters include among other things: academic quality, terms of faculty service, curricula that require coordination across programs, strategic planning, budgets, and physical facilities"

(<https://www.seattleu.edu/academicaffairs/standing-committees/academic-assembly/>),

“And given that the ability for the body to effectively attend to and advocate in relation to these matters is impacted by the decision to rely on consultants, the impact they have on the university budget, and the recommendations they make,

I move that future consulting contracts that fall within this purview be vetted by AcA”

- Introduced as written by Mark Cohan (CAS)

Motion tabled after discussion. - Approved AcA Minute 2019-02-25, VII, A.

### New Motion:

“Sarah Bee (ASB) and Mark Cohan (CAS) will do fact-finding on behalf of AcA and bring back a clearer motion.”

**Vote on the New Motion: Approved.** “16 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-02-25, VII, B. 2.

## AcA19-17 Climate Positive Campus Proposal

### **Main Motion:**

“The Academic Assembly (AcA) recognizes that urgent action is required by institutions and individuals to fight climate change. We strongly encourage Seattle University to take responsibility for its greenhouse gas emissions by reducing what it can and to purchase carbon offsets for the emissions that cannot be eliminated. We fully support the President’s Committee for Sustainability’s Climate Positive Campus Initiative and ask Seattle University to make the purchase of carbon offsets a budget priority.”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “15 approve, 0 oppose, 4 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, III, C.

**AcA19-18 PRC MS Movement Science (CAS)**

**Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the new MS degree of Movement Science (CAS).”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “20 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, A. 1. a.

**AcA19-19 PRC Two Criminal Justice Combo Degree Programs (CAS, LAW)**

**19-19a Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the new BA and MA in Criminal Justice (CAS) 4+1 program proposal.”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 1 oppose, 1 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, B. 3. a.

**19-19b Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the new BA Criminal Justice (CAS) and JD (LAW) 3+3 program proposal.”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, C. 3. a.

Note: One week voting rule suspended – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, B. 2. a., V, C. 2. a.

## AcA19-20 PRC Data Science Specialization in MS CS (CSE)

### **Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the new Data Science Specialization in existing MS in Computer Science.”

### **Amendment:**

“Insert Concern 3 – “Specific care needs to be taken into account that resources for this degree program pulls from other departments, in particular the Math Department.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, D. 1. d.

**Vote on the Amendment: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, D. 2. a.

**Vote on the Amended Main Motion: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-01, V, D. 3. a.

## **AcA19-30 Resolution on MRI (MRC) Representation at AcA**

### **Main Motions:**

**Motion AcA30a:** "It is moved that the term of the AcA member seat representing Matteo Ricci Institute (MRI), formerly Matteo Ricci College (MRC), run through 2019-20, following the original length of term."

**Vote on the Motion: Not Approved.** "0 approve, 17 oppose, 0 abstain." – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-15, IV, B. 1.

**Motion AcA30a:** "It is moved that the term of the AcA member seat representing Matteo Ricci Institute (MRI), formerly Matteo Ricci College (MRC), terminates at the end of 2018-19."

**Vote on the Motion: Approved.** "17 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain." – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-15, IV, C. 1.

### **AcA19-31 NTT Steering Committee Motion**

**Original Motions:** “The Academic Assembly (AcA) recognizes the Non-Tenure Track Steering Committee to the Provost as a committee reporting to the AcA but not a subcommittee of the AcA. The Non-Tenure Track Steering Committee to the Provost is included on the list of committees maintained by the AcA.”

**Motion to Table: Approved.** “11 approve, 4 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-29, III, B. 1.

**Propose Amendment on the floor:** “We welcome those who are organizing the NTT Steering Committee to the Provost to submit their request for recognition to the AcA again when the AcA has formed its committee on committees which is expected to be at the end of the term.”

**Vote on Proposed Amendment: Approved.** “15 approve, 3 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-29, III, C. 2.

**Amended Motion:** “The Academic Assembly (AcA) recognizes the Non-Tenure Track Steering Committee to the Provost as a committee reporting to the AcA. The Non-Tenure Track Steering Committee to the Provost will be included on the list of committees maintained by the Committee on Committees, a standing committee of AcA starting AY19-20. AcA pledges to work with Non-Tenure Track Steering Committee, and its future iteration, on the betterments of NTT and all faculties.”

**Vote on Amendment: Approved.** “16 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, III, B. 12.

**Vote on Amended Motion: Approved.** “16 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, III, B. 13.

**AcA19-32 PRC Program Review Bachelor of Social Works (CAS)**

**Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the program review of Bachelor of Social Works (CAS).”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-04-29, V, B. 1.



## AcA19-35 PRC Suspension of BAHL (MRI/CAS)

### **Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the suspension of Bachelor of Arts in Humanities for Leadership (BAHL) of Matteo Ricci Institute (CAS).”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 1 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-13, III, A. 3. a.

**AcA19-37 PRC Program Review - Mathematics (CSE)**

**Main Motion:**

“Affirm PRC memo on the 7-year program review of Mathematics (CSE).”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-13, III, B. 3. a.

## AcA19-38 Formation of Committee on Committees (CoC)

### Main Motion:

“Section 6.6 in AcA bylaws (Draft) proposes the formation of a committee on committees.” “Motion to affirm Committee on Committees.”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “19 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-13, V, A. - B.

### Additional Motions:

“Motion to affirm that Vice President for Committee on Committees does not need to be tenured”

**Vote on the Motion: Approved.** “18 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-13, V, C.

Additional Notes: “Working group over the summer includes Sarah Bee, Colette Taylor, Kirsten Thompson, Michael Ng, Frank Shih, and Gregory Silverman. Working group will bring forth a proposal to AcA in the fall for how to proceed on Committee for Committees.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-13, V, D.

## AcA19-39 URTC Path Forward Plan

### **Main Motion:**

“Path Forward: Forming an ad-hoc URTC committee with faculty membership selected by AcA, current URTC, and the Provost’s Office to come up with a more permanent bylaw on membership or other matters over Summer 2018-19.”

**Amendment:** “Colette Taylor (COE), Mark Taylor (STM), Nalini Iyer (CAS), Lindsay Whitlow (CSE) have volunteered.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VI, F. 4

**Vote on the Amended Motion: Approved.** “13 approve, 0 oppose, 3 abstain.” (Minute Text: “Motion to appoint above names to working group and affirm the Path-Forward Plan”) – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VI, F. 7. a.

## AcA19-40 PRC Two Program Reviews in CAS

### AcA19-40a Asian Studies Program Review

#### Main Motion:

“Affirm PRC memo on the program review of Asian Studies (CAS).”

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** “15 approve, 0 oppose, 1 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VII, A. 4. a.

### AcA19-40b Art Leadership Program Review

#### Main Motion:

“Affirm PRC memo on the program review of Art Leadership Program (CAS).”

**Amendment:** “Factual correction that program now has 2 TT faculty – correct this in memo” - Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VII, B. 4. a.

**Vote on the Amendment: Approved.** “13 approve, 0 oppose, 2 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VII, A. 5. a.

**Vote on the Amended Motion: Approved.** “14 approve, 0 oppose, 2 abstain.” – Approved AcA Minute 2019-05-20, VII, A. 6. a.

## **AcA19-45 Approval of AcA Bylaws Draft**

### **Main Motion:**

"Academic Assembly approves the AcA Bylaw discussion draft dated May 14, 2019 in principle. AcA will work with the Provost Office, along with University Legal, to finalize the document details and will again seek approval from AcA for adoption during the first meeting of AY19-20."

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "16 approve, 1 oppose, 0 abstain." – AcA Minute Draft 2019-06-03, III, c. 1

## AcA19-46 Approval of SU Committee Structure Document

### **Main Motion:**

"Academic Assembly approves the Seattle University Committee Structure Draft dated March 6, 2019 in principle. It is a working document collectively crafted by the Provost office and AcA that seeks to organize and clarify future shared governance structure at Seattle University."

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "17 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain." – AcA Minute Draft 2019-06-03, IV, b. 1

## **AcA19-47 Staff Council Ex-Officio Participation at AcA**

### **Main Motion:**

"Academic Assembly approves the participation of an ex-officio member from the Staff Council to future AcA meetings, starting in AY2019-20."

**Vote on the Main Motion: Approved.** "16 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain." – AcA Minute Draft 2019-06-03, X, h. 1