



COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, April 23, | 3-5pm EST

Location of Meeting: PFEN 241

Committee Name: Faculty Affairs Committee

Chair Name: Jennifer Popp

I. Committee Activities Accomplished since November 2024:

Meeting with Interim Dean Bowman: In recent years, the Faculty Affairs Committee has met with the HHS Dean once per semester. The Faculty Affairs Committee met with Interim Dean Bowman and Senior Associate Dean Berndt on Thursday, December 12, 2024 to discuss topics of faculty concern. This meeting focused on four broad talking points: status of department head/faculty searches, faculty concerns related to Elements, suggestions/solutions to assist faculty with productivity, and updates on DEI initiatives.

Approval of HHS Fall Faculty Meeting Minutes: Approval of the minutes taken during the HHS fall faculty meeting were distributed for edits/review and ultimately approved by the Faculty Affairs Committee. The meeting agenda, minutes, and presentation slides are publicly available on the HHS website: <https://hhs.purdue.edu/faculty-meetings/>

Agenda Subcommittee: The agenda subcommittee has been working on consulting with Interim Dean Bowman and units within the college to develop the HHS Spring Faculty Meeting agenda, including identifying topics of discussion for the meeting, and coordinating the distribution of various awards that are presented during the meeting.

Meeting with Purdue IT: Joe Levell and Aaron Walz met with the Faculty Affairs Committee to provide an overview of Purdue IT (since it has been centralized) and to request feedback specific to the performance of Purdue IT. Specific topics discussed included: response time, ability of IT to solve issues, need to build/maintain interpersonal relationships with departments, etc. Committee members were asked to share their feedback and experiences relating to Purdue IT.

II. Committee Activities in Progress:

Meeting with Interim Dean Bowman: The Faculty Affairs Committee is scheduled to meet with Dean Bowman on Friday, May 9, 2025. Please communicate any topics or areas of concern with your Faculty Affairs Committee representative, so that the committee can discuss those items during this meeting.

Planning for the 2025-26 Academic Year: In preparation for the 2025-26 academic year, a committee chair and other roles on sub-committees will be identified prior to the conclusion of the academic year.

III. Other: (*Optional: Please provide pertinent information only when necessary*)

None.



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Meeting Date/Time:	Wednesday, April 23, 3-5pm EST
Location of Meeting:	PFEN 241
Committee Name:	Graduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee (GEPCC)
Chair Name:	Jason Harris

I. Committee Activities Accomplished since November 2024:

- Review of HHS graduate courses and programs (ongoing)
 - Courses in HK, HSCI, HTM, HDFS, NUTR
- Administer university Presidential Excellence Ph.D. Awards (PEA)
 - 1 allocated (1 pending), \$10,000/year for 4 years
- Administered HHS Recruitment Ph.D. recruitment funds: \$5,000 provided to each unit (continuing)
- Review of Fellowships and PEA (Bilsland (two – HDFS, SLHS). Ross (five - HK, HDFS, NUTR, SLHS, one pending)
 - 2025-2026 Awardees
 - Bilsland Fellowship: Kim, Yesol (SLHS)
 - Bilsland Fellowship: Osei, Evans (NURS)
- Review of Outstanding Awards
 - 2024-2025 Awardees
 - Outstanding Doctoral Student - Non-Research: McNeill, Madison (SLHS)
 - Outstanding Doctoral Student: Hauser, Samantha (SLHS)
 - Outstanding Masters Student: Rosenberger, Claire (HDFS)
 - Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching: Terwilliger, Carrie (NUTR)
 - Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor: Purpura, David (SHDFS)
 - Outstanding Online Excellence: Masters, Christi (SLHS)
 - OGSPS Mentoring Award for Postdoctoral Trainees – Nominated by HHS: Andolino, Chaylen (NUTR)
- Provided support and judging for HHS Life Inspired Week Research Poster and 3MT event (4/4)
- Discussion and future implementation of new HHS Interdisciplinary Health PhD program (coming Fall 2025 or Spring 2026)
- Provide guidance/support of HHS Graduate Student Council

- Established monthly Meet & Mingle (M&M) social for graduate students
 - Held Graduate Student Townhall (3/12)

II. Committee Activities in Progress:

- Review of HHS graduate courses and programs (ongoing)
- Summer 2025 Summer Research Grant (SRG) allocations (pending depending on available funds)
- Provide guidance/support of HHS Graduate Student Council
 - End of year Social (May 2)

III. Other: *(Optional: Please provide pertinent information only when necessary)*

Given uncertainty in federal funding and potential pauses/delays/cancellations of visas, faculty should stay informed and talk with their graduate students about how they may be affected. The Office of Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars (formerly the Graduate School), OGSPS, will now require colleges to provide funding information for all new graduate student admits (likely through Slate).

Other activities under the responsibility of the Associate Dean of Graduate Programs and Online Education

- Online Learning Committee: Established to help promote and enhance HHS efforts in online, hybrid, and professional learning. The committee provides advice to the Dean and unit heads on the administration of the HHS online, hybrid, and professional academic programs. The committee also provides guidance for creating or revising online, hybrid, and professional programs, fosters and identifies professional development opportunities and resources for faculty and staff engaged in online, hybrid, and professional learning, and collaborates with internal and external Purdue partners to offer HHS programming to diverse audiences.
 - AY 24-25 activities
 - Libby Richards has taken over this role as of January 2025
 - Creation of online “Introducing HHS” course – First “pilot” release in Spring 2025 (15 students)
 - Participation in Purdue University online MS in Artificial Intelligence (OMSAI) and online MS in Data Science (OMSDS)
 - Creation of HHS Online Faculty Ambassadors program
 - Continued support of existing online programs and idea generation for new programs



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Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, April 23, | 3-5pm EST
Location of Meeting: PFEN 241
Committee Name: Research Advisory Council
Chair Name: Cammie McBride

Committee Membership (2024-25): Cammie McBride (ADR), Patrick Hein (Dean's Office), Tzu-Wen Cross (NUTR), Jonathan Shannahan (HSCI), Bruno Roseguini (HK), Jiyun Kang (HTM), Zachary Hass (NUR), Mike Heinz (SLHS), Julia Chester (PSY), Yumary Ruiz (PUBH), A.J. Schwichtenberg (HDFS)

Committee Charge: The Council seeks to identify and discuss potential barriers to research taking place in the college and to provide guidance in the following areas:

- Implementing the research portion of the HHS strategic plan,
- Setting specific goals and action plans,
- Identifying and helping develop mechanisms to promote increased funding,
- Assisting faculty by encouraging and reviewing awards,
- Increasing the visibility of the college, including identifying cores of strength,
- Identifying and helping develop mechanisms to promote increased collaboration,
- Identifying and pursuing funding for shared equipment needs,
- Reviewing HHS and University services available to faculty for research; and
- Identifying potential cluster hires with a core in the college.

I. Committee Activities Accomplished since November 2024:

Seminars

- **HHS Research Series**
 - “US Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine (USARIEM): Capabilities and Projects to Optimize Warfighter Health and Performance”- Wednesday, October 23, 2024, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Whistler Hall of Agricultural Research, Room 116
 - “The Millennium Cohort Program: Spotlight on Collaboration”- Thursday, December 5, 2024, 3:00pm – 5:00pm, John Purdue Room, Marriott Hall

Events

- **Hall HHS Fall Research Day** – October 30, 2024, 9am – 12pm, PMU East and West Faculty Lounges – Liping Cai and Jonathan Shannahan were recognized as the Career Research Achievement and Early Career Research Achievement Awardees, respectively. They both presented research talks on their work. In addition, 61 research posters were presented by researchers within the College.
- **Book Event:** Speakers: Louis Tay, Kim Buhman Valerie Knopik, David Kemmerer, Aaron Bowman and Cammie McBride - Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 3pm-5pm, John Purdue Room, Marriott Hall
- **Health of the Forces Symposium-** April 1, 2024, 3pm-5pm, John Purdue Room, Marriott Hall- This event was part of an effort on campus, the Health of the Forces Initiative, to support research on the health of those who serve in and support the military forces and their families. Researchers from multiple colleges with interests in these health-related topics were invited to meet with colleagues who have similar interests and to foster new collaborations. Thirty-five people attended this event.
- **Life Inspired 3 Minute Thesis and Poster Competition** - April 4, 2025, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, PMU North Ballroom- At this event, HHS researchers shared their work through either a poster presentation or a 3-minute talk. Fifty-eight posters and nine 3-minute theses were presented. Winners for these competitions are listed below.
 - Postdoctoral Scholar Category
 - 1st Place: Arjun Pitchai (HSCI) (Mentor: Jonathan Shannahan)
 - Graduate Student Category
 - 1st Place: Elina Dawoodani (NUTR) (Mentor: Laura Murray-Kolb)
 - 2nd Place: Katherine Buchman (PUBH) (Mentor: Jennifer Jabson Tree)
 - 3rd Place: Jacqueline Schmok (NUTR) (Mentor: Wayne Campbell)
 - Undergraduate Category
 - 1st Place: Linnaea Krupke (PSY) (Mentor: Kim Kinzig)
 - 2nd Place: Allison Swarens (HDFS) (Mentor: Rosie Shrout)
 - 3rd Place: Arni Bhatnagar (HSCI) (Mentor: Thivanka Muthumalage)

Awards

Health of the Forces funding program to Support Pilot Studies Spring 2025

II. Committee Activities in Progress:

- **HHS Research Emergency Funding Program** (on going)
- **HATCH Awards:** TBA in April
- **Health of the Forces: A Funding Program:** TBA in May

III. Other: *(Optional: Please provide pertinent information only when necessary)*

Research Registry

740 people have signed up to be participants in the research registry

23 Studies have used/are using the registry

Community events: AG Fish Fry, Lafayette Farmer's Market, West Lafayette

Farmer's Market, Spring Fest, Home Coming, Pride Fest, Tippecanoe County Fair, HHS Fall Welcome

Flyers around campus and the greater Lafayette area



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Committee Name: HHS Undergraduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

Chair Name: Thomas Berndt

Committee Membership (2024-25): Natasha Watkins, Scott Lawrance, Sa Liu, Susan Gordon, Amanda Ward, John (Jay) Burgess, Colin William, Stewart Chang Alexander, Brandon Keehn, Anneliese Beswick, and one undergraduate student from each of the nine HHS units

Committee Charge: This committee focuses on such matters as the improvement of undergraduate instruction, honors programs, core requirements, graduation requirements, curriculum standards, general academic organization, interdepartmental undergraduate programs, and policy issues related to the college's undergraduate programs. Also, the committee evaluates proposals for creating or revising undergraduate courses and programs.

I. Committee Activities Accomplished since November 2024:

During its meeting on November 19, 2024, the committee:

1. Approved the creation of an HK course on "Sport and Exercise Psychophysiology."
2. Approved revisions in the degree requirements for the Biomedical Health Sciences major in the School of Health Sciences to add more SLHS courses to a selective list.
3. Revised the prerequisites for two HSCI courses, and
4. Reviewed with Anneliese Beswick how registration restrictions and advisors' designations of courses as "vital" for specific students affect students' enrollment in courses.

During its meeting on January 22, 2025, the committee:

1. Was informed about how two HHS units updated their degree requirements in response to Chemistry's plan to offer both in-person and virtual options for the laboratory sections of CHM 11500.
2. Approved revisions in the degree requirements for the Occupational and Environmental Health Sciences major in the School of Health Sciences and the Public Health major in the Department of Public Health,
3. Approved the creation of a Toxicology minor by the School of Health Sciences, and

4. Approved the creation of a new Consumer Science course in “Retail Technology: Category Management.”

During its meeting on February 12, 2025, the committee:

1. Approved revisions in the degree requirements for the Faculty and Consumer Sciences Education major, the Early Childhood Education and Exceptional Needs major, the Departmental and Family Sciences major, and the Human Services major in the Department of Human Development and Family Science, and
2. Approved revisions in the requirements for students to change their major to the Financial Counseling and Planning, Retail Management, or Selling and Sales Management majors in the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management.

During its meeting on March 26, 2025, the committee:

1. Approved revisions in the course descriptions, registration restrictions, student learning outcomes, and/or the prerequisites for 5 Human Development and Family Science courses, 10 Health and Kinesiology courses, 21 Consumer Science courses, 11 Hospitality and Tourism Management courses, and 1 Health Sciences course;
2. Approved the mass expiration of many Health and Kinesiology courses that had not been offered for several years, and
3. Approved revisions in the degree requirements for the Kinesiology major in the Department of Health and Kinesiology that will be effective for the Fall 2026 catalog term.

II. Committee Activities in Progress:

The committee will have its last meeting for the 2024-25 academic year on April 23.