

NDSU College of Arts & Sciences Task Force Overview

Overview

The College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) formed through the merger of the College of Science & Math (CSM), the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (AHSS), the School of Education, Interior Design, and Apparel, Retail, & Merchandising. Each entity came to CAS with existing policy and committee assignments. The following CAS Task Forces were charged with presenting policy recommendations for their respective committee's policy and procedures. Task forces worked to build unified policies and an overall sense of belonging across CAS.

Task Force List

Dean's Discretionary Fund
Graduate Tuition Waiver
Promotion, Tenure, & Evaluation
Policy & Planning
Workload Equity
Student Progress & Achievement
Curriculum
Awards
Wellbeing

The CSM Lab Safety Culture Task Force continued to work without changes. The CSM Service & Outreach Committee was not moved forward into the new college. The CSM DEIR Working Group, now titled the CAS DIER Working Group, invited new members from across the college.

Task force membership included faculty that served on their previous college's standing committee with a term ending in May of 2025. In addition, CAS faculty were encouraged to self-nominate. Please find a list of the task force members at the end of this document.

Procedure & Timeline

CAS faculty were asked to self-nominate for task force assignments by September 8th, 2023. Task force assignments were announced to the college on September 13th, 2023.

Each task force was charged by Dean Wallin or Associate Dean Jung. Time lines were purposely limited to review the policies of former colleges/schools and propose recommendations for their respective CAS Committee moving forward. Each task force submitted recommendation drafts to the Dean's Office. Recommendation drafts were then sent to the CAS listserv with a survey link requesting feedback.

In addition, the Dean's Office held four CAS Open Discussion Sessions (on 10/26, 11/15, 11/29 and 12/6/23) in which each task force chair provided an overview of the faculty feedback received, shared changes the task force would make to their recommendations given the feedback, and took note of additional feedback provided by attendees.

Task force final recommendations are available on the CAS Faculty Resources [webpage](#). Faculty are encouraged to vote on these recommendations by January 16, 2024.

CAS Committee elections will be held in early February 2024. An CAS Meeting will be held in late February for nominee discussions. Elections will be held during the last week of February 2024. Committee's will be charged and begin work shortly thereafter.

A more detailed overview of the CAS Task Force Timeline can be found on the CAS Faculty Resources [webpage](#).

Standing Committees

Several standing committees from each college/school have continued their work, and will do so until CAS Committee elections in February 2024. These include:

- AHSS & CSM Curriculum Committees
- AHSS & CSM Awards / Nominations Committees
- AHSS, CSM, & Education PT&E Committees
- AHSS & CSM Student Progress Committees
- AHSS Policy & Planning Committee

Committee members of the aforementioned standing committees (Curriculum, Awards, PT&E, Student Progress, and Policy & Planning) whose terms end in May of 2024 will be released from those committee assignments when their respective CAS Committee is formed in spring 2024. Committee members whose terms end in May of 2025 will be asked to continue to serve on the standing committee until the end of their term.

Task Force Members

Thank you to our CAS Task Force members for starting the work of our new college on a positive and productive note!

Dean's Discretionary Fund

Chair: Carrie Anne Platt

Members: Marinus Otte, Joe Deutsch, Jeremy Hamm, Justin Brenna, Bradley Benton, Dmitri Kilin, David Swenson

Graduate Tuition Waiver

Chair: Zoltan Majdik

Members: Dan Pemstein, Christina Weber, Laura Parson, Nate Wood, Jenny Linker, Kendra Greenlee, Megan Orr, Greg Cook

Promotion, Tenure, & Evaluation

Chair: Alan Denton

Members: Azer Akhmedov, Suzanne Kelley, Anastassiya Andrianova, James Nyachwaya, Anne Blankenship, Alison Bertolini, Chris Whitsel

Policy & Planning

Chair: Dean Bresciani

Members: Katherine Duggan, Nick Bauroth, Kyle Vanderburg, Sarah Boonstoppel, Meghan Duda, Caroline Hackerott

Workload Equity

Chair: Erin Gillam

Members: Clayton Hilmert, Liza Gilblom, Leah Irish, Julia Bowsher, Amanda Cordova, Dennis Cooley, Michael Strand

Student Progress & Achievement

Chair: Jeanette Hoffman

Members: David Swenson, Karisa Templeton, Jessie Bauer, Charlotte Moe, Jeff Johnson, Azer Akmedov

Curriculum

Chair: Anna Maria Visilia

Members: Susan Ray-Degges, Kelly Burns, Teresa Shume, Catalin Ciuperca, Stephenson Beck, Marinus Otte, Carol Archbold

Awards

Chair: Jenny Linker

Members: Zhongyu Yang, Shuning Lu, Eugene Caldon, Charlott Greub, Adam Goldwyn, Dane Mataic, Tony Flood

Wellbeing

Chair: Laura Parson

Members: Justin Pieterick, Jennifer Brandel, Nadeje Alexandre, Stephenson Beck, Eric Hobbe, Kjersten Nelson, Ganapathy Mahalingam

DEIR Working Group

Chair: Andrew Croll

Members: Britt Heidinger, Christina Weber, Brandon Foye, Jaeha Lee, Erin Conwell, Jamee Larson, Sangita Sinha, Jess Jung

Do you have thoughts, ideas, or suggestions that you'd like to share with CAS College Leadership? Please share your insights and inspirations using the feedback form located on our website [HERE](#).