

HCDE Faculty Meeting Minutes draft

March 4, 2026

Sieg 329 and Zoom: <https://washington.zoom.us/j/97532496066>

Faculty present: Arpita, Sayamindu Dasgupta, Leah Findlater, Tyler Fox, Mark Haselkorn, Shana Hirsch, Gary Hsieh, Cayla Key, Julie Kientz, Alan Marks, David McDonald, Sean Munson, Daniela Rosner, Kate Starbird, Jennifer Turns, Linda Wagner, Mark Zachry

Faculty Absent: Cindy Atman, Katya Cherukumilli, Brock Craft, Sucheta Ghoshal, Beth Kolko, Charlotte Lee, Nadya Peek, David Ribes

Others present: Melissa Ewing, Stacia Green, Summer Dela Cruz Parkes, Kathleen Rascon, Megan DeVeau, Katia Jossa-Jouable, Crystal Welliver

Reminders/Announcements (5 minutes)

- Research seminar, Thursdays at 4:30pm, Sieg 134
- Save the date: Please hold on your calendar!
 - Cecilia's Retirement reception, March 17, 2:30-4:30pm, Petersen Room
 - PhD spring prelims, April 2, Sieg 134, 1:30-4pm.
 - Research Showcase, April 28, UW Club, 4-6pm
 - Engineering Discovery Days, April 30 & May 1
 - Distinguished Lecture: Laura Forlano, May 11, 3:30-5:30pm, HUB 334
 - PhD review, May 20, 2026, Sieg 329, 9am-2pm
 - Merit review, May 29, 2026, 9am-1pm, Sieg 420
 - Capstone Showcase, June 3, 2026, 3-7pm, HUB Ballroom
 - Graduation, June 12, 2026, 10am-12pm, HUB Ballroom
- Updates on projects, grants, classes, research

Special guest/presentation: Megan DeVeau, [Engineering Shared Environment](#)

Approval of Meeting Minutes and Updates - Standing Committees & Chairs

Topic	Notes
Approval of 2/04/2026 minutes	-Motion to approve 2/04/2026 faculty meeting minutes by Daniela, seconded by Tyler. Motion approved. 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Notes</u>
BSPC Update	-ABET update
MS Program Update	-MS reviews done and thanks for all your help -Sending out offers
PhD Program Update	-Dissertation fellowship due internally March 15 -Dissertation awards after that so keep an eye out -Done dissertation program will start April 9 intro workshop. Any post general student is welcome to attend -Annual review May 20, 9-2pm
Infrastructure Committee	-Tech security improvements -Working on IEB MOU updates -Applying for funding for phone booth -Survey on space needs and how to possibly spend their small budget -Looking at ways to update space -Labs: talk to students about your labs and give feedback to committee -UW going to be doing refresh in buildings
Chair Updates	-IEB evening hours. Need to be staffed and CoE says we would need to help pay for staff. -ICE protocols -Please register when traveling internationally for work -Office of Exclusive Excellence fellowship -Provost updates: Shared services update and digital accessibility

New Business:

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Desired Outcome</u>
Mikey Award	-Committee recommends Cecilia Aragon. Motion passed.
Graduation Speaker	-Discussion on potential speakers.

Discussions:

Topic	Desired Outcome
Design Strategy Certificate	-Can stack with other classes -Possible start in Autumn 2027 but might not be enough time to get approved by then. Motion to approve certificate, 13 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain
Digital Accessibility Initiative	-Discussing resources and faculty experiences <ul style="list-style-type: none">• UW has provided this checklist for courses• If your Ally score is not 80% or higher, you can schedule a consultation• Ask your TA if they have any spare cycles to help with making course content compliant

Motion to go to Executive Session by Tyler, seconded by Jennifer. Motion approved

Executive Session:

Topic	Desired Outcome
Teaching track search	-update

Motion to adjourn by Linda, seconded by Julie. Motion approved.