AP-001-267 Move Regenerative Studies Minor to URP (2nd Reading)

- Moves academic and administrative oversight from the Lyle Center to Urban and Regional Planning (URP).
- Creates a departmental home for stronger advising, curriculum oversight, and student support.
- Retains the Lyle Center as an interdisciplinary living laboratory.
- Potential curricular synergies with URP sustainability courses; minor remains distinct.
- URP advising workload requires appropriate College of Environmental Design support.
- **Committee recommendation: Support transfer, updated implementation Spring 2027 as approved by OAP since first reading.**

AP-002-267 Move M.S. in Regenerative Studies to URP (2nd Reading)

- Moves the graduate program from the Lyle Center to URP for stronger academic administration.
- Improves graduate advising, faculty mentoring, student belonging, and research collaboration.
- Shared electives and comparable research-methods courses offer potential efficiencies.
- Existing URP accreditation and curricula expected to remain unaffected.
- Additional graduate coordination and chair workload require college support.
- **Committee recommendation: Support transfer, updated implementation Spring 2027 as approved by OAP since first reading.**

AP-003-267 New Self-Support M.S. in AI in Engineering (1st Reading)

- 30-unit hybrid self-support degree responds to demand for AI applications in engineering.
- Faculty expertise spans IME, ECE, aerospace, mechanical, civil, chemical/materials, electromechanical engineering, CS, and philosophy.
- Engineering focus covers intelligent systems, robotics, manufacturing, and applied AI.
- Overlap with CS addressed through cross-listing three relevant AIE/CS courses.
- Other new AIE courses and AIE prefix are under UCC consideration, timeline is fine per OAP; stackable certificates removed for separate future proposals.
- **Committee recommendation: Approve the proposed degree. Anticipated implementation Fall 2028.**

AP-004-267 New Astrophysics Option in B.S. Physics (1st Reading)

- Formalizes a pathway for Astrophysics graduate study, research, outreach, and aerospace careers.
- 120-unit B.S.: shared physics core plus astronomy/astrophysics courses and option electives.
- 20 Physics majors already minor in Astronomy (~10%); projected 18–24% may choose option.
- Fall 2026 AST 4240 has 24 students, 23 of whom are General Physics majors.
- Existing AST courses run annually; capacity support possible without new courses or sections.
- **Committee recommendation: Approve for planned Fall 2027 implementation.**

AP-006-267 New Certificate in Data Science and AI (1st Reading waiver request, second reading and vote)

- 2023–24 self-support proposal delayed during revision of campus certificate policy (AP-033-234)
- Resubmitted as a 12-unit state-supported academic credit certificate for matriculated CPP students per the new policy.
- Prior consultations reused with the support from OAP and Senate leadership to expedite review and waiver of first reading to meet Spring 2027 implementation timeline
- Four existing CS courses: Python, Data Science, Machine Learning & Applications, and Big Data Analytics & Cloud Computing.
- Excludes CS majors and students in overlapping CS, Data Science, or AI minors who are already pursing it per OAP recommendation
- **Committee recommendation: Approve revised certificate for Spring 2027 implementation**