

Senate Policy 25-15
M.A. in English

Motion: To approve the Master of Arts in English

Passed at the March 23, 2026 meeting of the Academic Senate



Christina Smith (May 26, 2026 16:02:25 PDT)

Christina Smith, PhD
Chair, Academic Senate

05/26/2026

Date



Francelina Neto, PhD
AVP of Academic Programs and Continuous Improvement

05/27/2026

Date



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Jessica Lavariega Monforti, PhD
Provost

05/28/2026

Date



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Interim President

06/26/2026

Date

Master of Arts in English - 30 Units

2b. Long Form - New Program Curriculum Proposal

General Catalog Information

ALL submissions must meet the New Program Implementation Timeline. Timelines for all approval processes can be found on the [Academic Programs website](#).

**** Instructions: read before beginning ****

Note: For more detailed instructions, go to [Resources](#).

1. FILL IN all required fields marked with an *. You will not be able to launch proposal without completing required fields.

2. For help with the curriculog icons, click on  icon in top right corner of form, next to your name.

3. As you add the information to this proposal **"Save all Changes"** as you move along.

4. For additional information to be uploaded to this proposal, upload it using the Files tab to the right side of the



form, click on  to attach and upload the file. Do not include links in any fields and/or attached documents.

Note: information provided through this proposal is vital for the entire campus to be able to effectively implement it; thus, all fields must be completed before you approve proposal; if this does not happen, be aware proposal may be returned to you for completion from any step in approval process, before it's allowed to move forward.

5. Validate and launch proposal by clicking on the Launch and Validate icon  in the top left corner or at the bottom of the page in this form. Curriculog will state: **This proposal has moved on. This proposal moved on in the workflow.** This statement means that the proposal is now visible to all Curriculog users. You, as the proposer, still need to **MAKE your DECISION** in order to send this proposal to Program Chair (next step in process).

6. **MAKE your DECISION**, approve/reject/hold/suspend/custom route the proposal by clicking on the Decision



Decisions

icon in the Toolbox on the right side of the form. Once approved, proposal will move to next step in process.

Every effort will be made to include your proposal in the earliest possible catalog, and inclusion is based on the timeliness of the approval process and is not guaranteed.

Select **"Program"** below.

Program Type (select "Program"):
☒ Program
☐ Shared Core

Choose which **Local Curriculum Committee** program will be reviewed by. If unsure, view which disciplines are reviewed by which LCC on [LCC Prefix List](#).

Local Curriculum
Committee: *

Arts & Humanities Local Curriculum Committee

New Degree Proposal - Bachelor's and Master's Program

Complete documents below, they can be found and downloaded from the CSU site: **Develop a New Program**. Submit documents below here in Curriculog by uploading under the paperclip icon located on the right area of form. Provide all information required by the CSU Chancellor's Office. **Your completed submission MUST include all the documents listed below in addition to any letters and documents requested in the CSU New Degree Proposal (Bachelor's and Master's) form.**

Template - New Degree Proposal (Bachelor's and Master's)

Program Assessment Plan Template (more information can be found by contacting the Faculty Director of Assessment and Program Review)

Curriculum Map Sample Template

Substantive Change Screening Form (WSCUC - formerly WASC) proposer needs to contact the AVP of Academic Programs and Continuous Improvement/Accreditation Liason Officer (ALO) to submit this form - LINK to download the form.

Comprehensive Budget Pro-Forma

Courses must either already exist or new course proposals must be submitted in Curriculog for concurrent review

Note: if program is planned to be offered through Extended University, contact andrea.skinner@csuci.edu for additional documents.

For additional resources, you may access Chancellor's Office website here:

csyou.calstate.edu/Divisions-Orgs/academic-affairs/academic-program-planning-development-and-submission/Pages/Develop-a-New-Program.aspx

New Degree Proposal - Doctoral Programs

Complete all documents and items found in the [Guidance - New Degree Proposal \(Doctoral Programs\)](#) found in the [Chancellor's Office website](#). **Submit documents in Curriculog by uploading under the paperclip icon located on the right area of form.** Provide all information required by the CSU Chancellor's Office. **Your completed submission MUST include all the documents listed below in addition to any letters and documents requested in the [Guidance - New Degree Proposal \(Doctoral Programs\)](#).**

Template: Degree Program (Doctoral) (On-ground or Distance Education)

Information not specifically requested in WSCUC Template: Degree Program (Doctoral) (On-ground or Distance Education)

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<https://www.calstate.edu/app/program>

Department/Unit: *

English Department

Where is this program being housed? Choose all that apply *

☐

State Supported

☒

Self Supported = Extended University

If Self-Support/Extended University, did you discuss your proposal with the Dean prior to this submission? *

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Yes

☐

No

☐

N/A

Degree Designation (e.g., Bachelor of Arts): *

Master of Arts

Title: * Master of Arts in English - 30 Units

Program Description: * The M.A. in English at CSU Channel Islands prepares students for college-level English teaching through focused study in literature, rhetoric, and writing. Students deepen research, information, and digital literacy; practice genre-aware and multimodal composing; and develop culturally responsive, equity-minded policies and rubrics. The program culminates in a teaching portfolio project.

Desired Term and Year of Implementation

Term* ☒ Fall

Year*

2026-2027 Academic
Year

Is this the same term
and year as approved
in original AMP?* ☐ Yes
☒ No

Follow steps below to create Curriculum Schema found in Prospective Curriculum section:

Go to **Resources** for the detailed step-by-step instructions on how to create the curriculum schema.

First, ALL courses involved in New Program Proposal must be added (new courses) and/or imported (existing), Second, Curriculum Schema must be created by adding Cores (e.g.: Requirements, Required Core, Electives, Pre-requisites, etc.) and populating with added or imported courses.

Step 1. Adding and/or Importing Courses

Click on  "View Curriculum Schema" icon. There are two options to add courses to New Program: "Add Course" and "Import Course." For new courses in Curriculog Approval Process, click on "Add Course." A dialog box will open asking for Prefix, Course Number, and Course Title. All new courses must have New Course Proposal Form submitted prior to completing this step. For courses already in Catalog, click on "Import Course" and find needed courses.

Step 2. Creating Curriculum Schema

Click on  "View Curriculum Schema" icon. Then, click on Add Core or Import Core. Next, click on New Core, complete Title field for core (e.g.: Electives), and "Description" field If applicable. Click on Add Courses. This will bring up course list created in Step 1. Select courses you wish to add and click "Add Course." To remove courses, click on  icon and proceed.

Step 3. Preview Program as it will show in University Catalog

To see what the program will look like when exported to the University Catalog click on the Preview Curriculum

icon 

Prospective Curriculum:*

Core Courses - 30 Units

Complete the following core courses focused on writing pedagogy, rhetorical analysis, inclusive teaching practices, literary and cultural analysis, and equitable assessment, culminating in a teaching portfolio.

- ENGL 478 Writing as Reflective Practice
- ENGL 482 Professional Communication for Digital Citizenship
- ENGL 510 Composition Theory and Pedagogy
- ENGL 400 Contemporary Literature
- ENGL 520 Culturally Responsive and Sustaining Pedagogy
- ENGL 570 Literature and Culture
- ENGL 560 Applied Rhetorical Theory and Analysis
- ENGL 530 Assessment Methods
- ENGL 590 Special Topics in English Studies
- ENGL 697 Culminating Experience
- [Right] *last course*

List all courses & their units that are prerequisite to major:*

N/A

Admission requirements for graduate programs: (if undergraduate program enter N/A)*

Program Prerequisites

- Admissions application at CalState Apply online & \$70.00 application fee
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Bachelor's Degree

Required Documentation

Two Short Essays (500 words each)

Current Resume

Two Letters of Recommendation

One set of official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended

Two Short Written essays:

Maximum words: 500 words per essay, 12 font size, Times New Roman, double-spaced.

Essay #1

Describe how you would teach first-year/dual-enrollment writers in ways that expand access and success for students who have not traditionally had easy entry to higher education. Ground your response in (a) an asset-based view of students, (b) concrete course-design choices and (c) equitable grading and feedback practices that support a growth mindset. Include one brief example of an assignment or module you would redesign—state its purpose, the steps, and how you will tell students they're on track.

Essay #2

Describe your plan for committing to and succeeding in an online master's degree program delivered in eight-week course blocks while negotiating responsibilities outside of the program. Address time management, technology/Learning Management system access, and how you will sustain reading, writing, research, and engagement workflows. Briefly note the supports you will use and how you will pace your progress towards completing both low stakes and high stakes deliverables throughout each course.

Will any component of this program contribute to studies related to: (choose as many as apply)*

- ☐ Mission Pillars
- ☐ Sustainability
- ☐ Justice, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion
- ☐ "4+1"/Blended Programs
- ☒ N/A

Articulation & Transfer Model Curricula (TMC)

Find info regarding Transfer Model Curricula (TMC) here: <https://c-idsystem.org/transfer-efforts/>. Questions regarding articulation and TMCs should be directed to the [University Articulation Officer](#).

Find general info regarding California Senate Bill 1440 & Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADTs) here: <https://transferprograms.calstate.edu/associate-degree-transfer>.

Major could be similar to a Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC): ☐ Yes (contact the University Articulation Officer) ☒ No ☐ Unsure (contact the University Articulation Officer)

If answer to above is yes, list TMC title: Search

Bachelor's and Master's Submission Approval Checklist:

- ☒ Complete Template - New Degree Proposal (Bachelor's and Master's)
- ☒ Complete Assessment Plan Template
- ☒ Complete Curriculum Map Sample Template
- ☒ Substantive change screening form (WSCUC - formerly WASC) - contact the AVP APCI/ALO to submit the form
- ☒ Comprehensive Budget Pro-Forma
- ☒ All new courses submitted in Curriculog/Curriculum
- ☒ 2-year and 4-year Roadmaps
- ☒ Program Flowchart

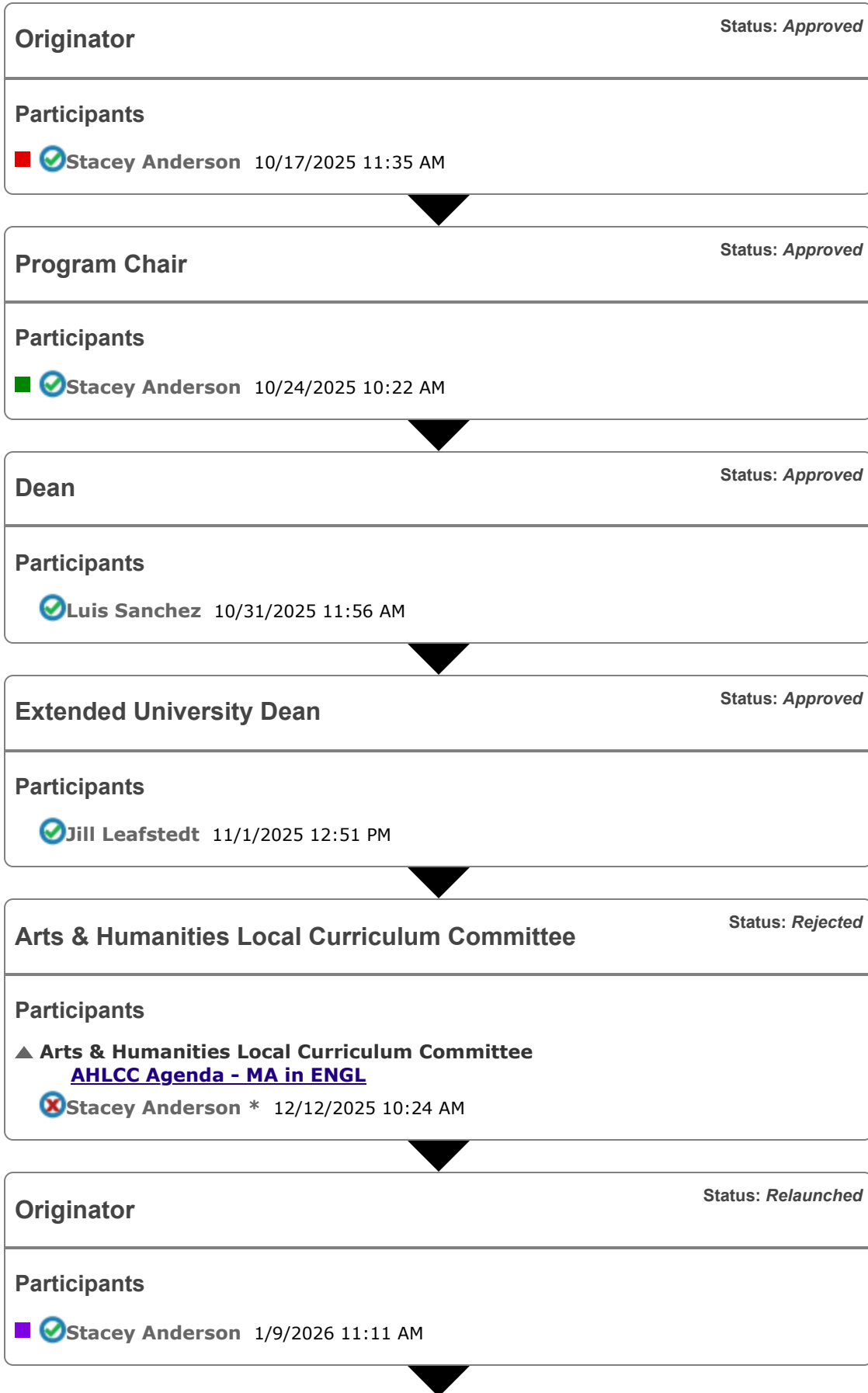
Doctoral Program Submission Approval Checklist:

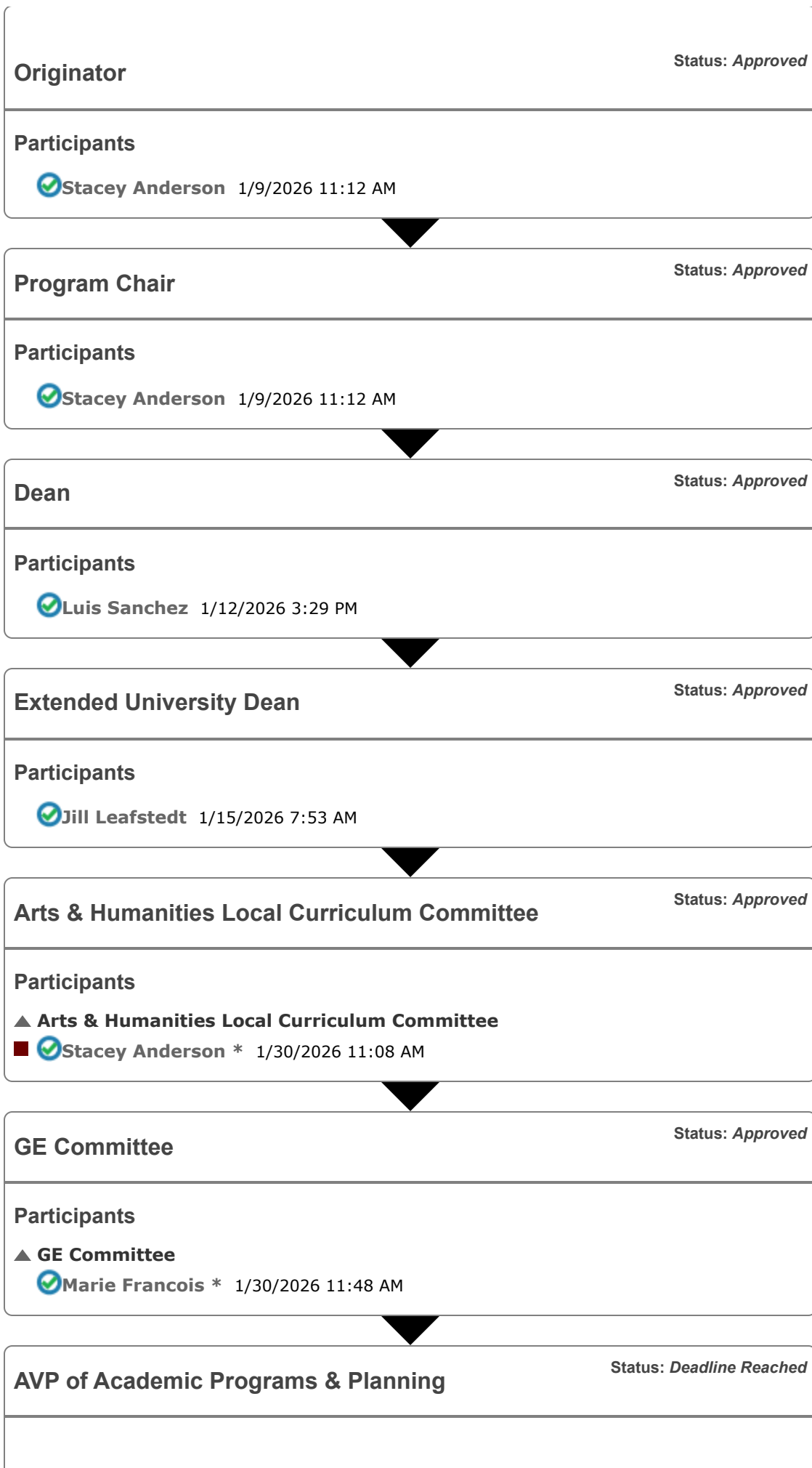
- ☐ Review the Guidance - New Degree Proposal (Doctoral Programs) document
- ☐ Complete the Template: Degree Program (Doctoral) (On-ground or Distance Education)
- ☐ Substantive change screening form (WSCUC - formerly WASC) - contact the Vice Provost to submit the form
- ☐ Degree Roadmap
- ☐ All new courses submitted in Curriculog/Curriculum
- ☐ Information not specifically requested in WSCUC Template: Degree Program (Doctoral) (On-ground or Distance Education)

Notes (optional):

DO NOT USE No DO NOT USE

Steps for Master of Arts in English - 30 Units





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