26 October 2026

TO: **WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee:** Elissa Allen, Samantha Collet, Lisa DeChano-Cook, Dana Hammond, Kwangmin Lee, Vincent Lyon-Callo, Matilda McLean, Marie Moreno, Nathan Tabor, Kathryn Wagner

Advisory Members: Annemarie Bates, Jacquelyn Bizzell, Melinda Lockett, Lucy Parrott, Colleen Stano, Sharon Van Dyken

Ex Officio: Dana Hammond

FROM: Katherine Suender, Chair

WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee

AGENDA

2 November 2026 – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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1. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
2. **Approval of Minutes**
    a. WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee Meeting Minutes of 19 October 2026
3. **Reports of Officers**
    a. Chair Report – Suender
    b. Ex Officio Report – Hammond
4. **Reports of University Representatives**
    a. WMU Essential Studies Faculty Director Report – Allen
    b. Curriculum Manager Report– DeChano-Cook
5. **Unfinished Business**
    a. Curriculum Proposals
        i. FYE - 2100 - First-Year Experience
        ii. GEOS - 1600 - Blue Planet: How Water Shapes Our World

iii. LAT - 2010 - Latin Composition

6. **New Business**
    a. Curriculum Proposals
        i. BCM - 2080 - Communicating Data in Business
        ii. COM - 1000 - Communication and Community Engagement
        iii. COM - 2710 - Introduction to User Experience (UX)
        iv. ECON - 2190 - Economic Principles of Sustainability, the Environment, and Natural Resources
        v. OCL - 2000 - Principles of Organizational Change and Development
        vi. OCL - 3000 - Workplace Culture
        vii. OCL - 3050 - Organizational Consulting
        viii. OCL - 3200 - Great Thinkers of Organizational Change
        ix. OCL - 4300 - Understanding and Designing the Global Organization
7. **Announcements**
8. **Adjournment**