THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

THE VISITORS OF JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Academic Excellence Committee

Thursday, September 18, 1:00 p.m.  
Highlands Room

Agenda

1. Opening Remarks and Approval of Minutes for April 10, 2025, Meeting\*
2. Academic Affairs Divisional Update

Dr. Bob Kolvoord, Interim Provost and Vice President

1. Academic Affairs Priorities and Six-Year Plan Academic Initiatives

Dr. Bob Kolvoord, Interim Provost and Vice President

1. Curriculum Updates\*

Dr. Paula Maxwell, Associate Vice Provost for Curriculum

* MEd in Transition Services in Special Education
* Data Science Certificate

1. Research Roundtable with the Deans

Dr. Mark L’Esperance, Dean, College of Education

Dr. Sharon Lovell, Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Studies

Dr. Sam Prins, Dean, College of Science and Mathematics

Dr. Traci Zimmerman, Dean, College of Arts and Letters

1. Faculty and Student Research Vignettes

Dr. Kenn Barron (Psychology) and Katherine Buswell (Major: Psychology; Minor: Criminal Justice)

Dr. John Scherpereel (Political Science) and Alida Schreuders (Master of Public Administration Program)

Dr. Kristen St. John (Geology and Environmental Science) and Misha Sacro (Major: Geology with Environmental Engineering concentration)

\*Action Required