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Committee on Academic and Student Affairs  
Board of Trustees  
University of Massachusetts

At the request of the President and approval by the Chair, a meeting of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs is hereby called to convene on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. for the University of Massachusetts. The meeting will be held remotely pursuant to the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, §20 dated March 12, 2020, and subsequently updated and extended by the Governor and their staff.

An agenda is attached.

Zunilka Barrett  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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**COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**Wednesday, November 20, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom**

**Pursuant to the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the  
Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, 20 dated March 12, 2020, and subsequently updated and  
extended by the Governor and their staff**

**To view the meeting click on the link:**

<https://umassp.zoom.us/j/91477888144>

**AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Approval of Minutes**
  - September 18, 2024 (Open & Executive Session)
- C. Chair's Report**
- D. President's Report**
- E. Senior Vice President's Report**
- F. Action Items**
  - 1. Appointments to Named Professorships and Endowed Chairs, UMass Amherst, Chan Medical School
- G. Discussion Item**

Early College Across UMass: Expanding the Pathway to College through Innovation and Collaboration

Presenters:

  - Nefertiti Walker, Deputy Vice President for Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Equity
  - Kate Copans, Director of Commonwealth Collegiate Academy, UMass President's Office
  - Francine Coston, Associate Director of Early College Initiatives, UMass Lowell
  - Erin O'Rourke, Director of Pre-College Programs, UMass Amherst
  - Traci Almeida, Teacher Preparation Programs and University Licensure Officer, UMass Dartmouth
  - David Graham, Vice Provost of Student Equity, Access, and Success, UMass Boston
- H. Information Items**
  - 1. Academic Quality Assessment and Development (AQAD)
  - 2. Periodic Multi-Year Review (PMYR)

## **I. Executive Session**

To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law necessitating confidentiality, as permitted under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30, Section 21a, Purpose (7), See MGL c. 75, Section 4, subsection (2) regarding awards of tenure— since an open meeting may compromise the purpose for which the executive session is being called and have a detrimental effect on the University; and to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law necessitating confidentiality, as permitted under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30, Section 21a, Purpose (7), See MGL c. 75, Section 4, subsection (1) regarding awards of honorary degrees— since an open meeting may compromise the purpose for which the executive session is being called and have a detrimental effect on the University:

### **Action Items**

1. Appointments with Tenure, UMass Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, Lowell
2. Transfer of Tenure, UMass Lowell
3. Honorary Degrees, UMass Chan Medical School

*The above listings of matters before the UMass Board of Trustees are those reasonably anticipated by the Senior Staff, Secretary and Chair of the Board, and intended to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed due to circumstances not known in time to provide an adjustment to the publicly available agenda, and other items that are not listed, may also be brought up for discussion, to the extent such is permitted by law.*

*The UMass Board of Trustees, per its by-laws and to the extent permitted by law, may reserve time during the agenda of its regular meetings for public participation, and/or allow the meeting to be audio/videotaped. Individuals seeking to speak to the Board or audio/video tape the meeting should so inform the Office of the Secretary of the UMass Board of Trustees' office in writing, setting forth the purpose for which they seek to speak and/or audio/videotape the meeting, at least 24 hours before the relevant meeting. The Chairperson shall have discretion and determine whether said individuals shall be permitted to speak and, if so, for how long they may speak on the designated topic. The Chairperson may also exercise discretion and determine to waive the notice requirement set forth above and invite an individual(s) present at the meeting to address the Board.*