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INFO Assembly

May 1st, 2026

Agenda



Preliminaries

Call to order

Review and approval of minutes from April

Review and approval of this agenda

Assembly Items

Dean's Update [Doug Oard]

INFO Faculty/Staff Awards and Years of Service [Doug Oard/Sarah Grun]

DInfSci Progress Update [Paul Jaeger & Beth St Jean]

Software Risk Assessment procedures [Chris Hawley/Kevin Remmell]

Plan of Organization updates [Kate Izsak]

New Hires for Indigenizing Archival Search/IndigenizeSNAC [Diana Marsh]

Academic Programs Update [Vedat Diker]

College Elections

- Assembly Officers

- College Advisory Committee

- APT Co-Chairs

- Graduate Council (Interim)

- University Senator TTK (Interim)

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Adjournment

Dean's Update

Doug Oard



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INFO Faculty/Staff Awards

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DInfSci Progress Update

Paul Jaeger & Beth St Jean



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Doctor of Information Science in Information Science Leadership and Community Engagement (DInfSci) [The “Info Leader” Doctorate]

Now with students!

Program Co-Directors:

Paul Jaeger

Beth St. Jean

Program Advisor: Jeff Waters

DInfSci Concept

- ▶ <https://go.umd.edu/infoleader>
- ▶ Only program of its kind
- ▶ Focus on Researching Professionals rather than Professional Researchers
- ▶ Filling giant educational hole for professionals left by iSchool movement

DInfSci Requirements

- ▶ 11 courses —mix of existing and new courses (all required unless redundancies are an issue)
- ▶ Capstone project as culminating experience
 - ▶ Students will form a committee: Faculty advisor, Professional advisor, and three additional faculty members
- ▶ Inquiry Groups
- ▶ Academic and professional mentors
- ▶ Entirely online, except for two capstone defenses
- ▶ For working professionals; part-time is the only option
- ▶ Primarily designed for education, cultural heritage, knowledge, and memory careers

Fall 2026 Class

- ▶ 50 prospective students have attended one of our monthly Info Sessions [Info Session Slides: <https://go.umd.edu/infoleaderslides>]
- ▶ We have accepted 17 students; 12 of our offers have been accepted for Fall 2026 and 1 offer was accepted but deferred to Fall 2027
- ▶ Many more applications in process and final deadline is July 15th
- ▶ Goal of 5; stretch goal of 10
- ▶ Extraordinarily talented incoming cohort, many with national standing
- ▶ Communications and marketing plan has been tremendous success – most applicants know exactly what they are applying for

What's Next

- ▶ Our next Info Session: Thursday, May 28th at 1:00 PM
- ▶ Accepting and reviewing applications until July 15th
- ▶ Initial cohort starts in August
- ▶ Market to broader audiences
- ▶ Along with being a major contribution by the College to the professions, the new program and students will be a strategic asset to the College

Thank you!

▶ **Thank you to everyone who has helped us to design, develop, & market the new D.Inf.Sci. program!**

- ▶ Jason Aston
- ▶ Jason Baron
- ▶ Chris Beatty
- ▶ Beth Bonsignore
- ▶ Carol Boston

- ▶ Gerald Collins
- ▶ Emily Davidson
- ▶ Vedat Diker
- ▶ Pam Duffy
- ▶ Jen Golbeck
- ▶ Andy Fellows
- ▶ Renee Hill
- ▶ Mia Hinckle

- ▶ Kate Izsak
- ▶ Allison Jennings-Roche
- ▶ Doug Oard
- ▶ Ryan O'Grady
- ▶ Craig Taylor
- ▶ Jeff Waters

Software Risk Assessment procedures

Chris Hawley
& Kevin Remmell



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Software Risk Management Program

Review BEFORE you buy





What Is the Software Risk Management Program?

UMD process for reviewing Third-party software and applications

DIT Review

- IT Compliance (Security)
- Data Privacy
- Accessibility

Procurement Review

- Terms and conditions

SRM Review is required BEFORE software is purchased or used.
Software currently in use also needs to go through SRM process.





Why Software Risk Management Matters

This process ensures that:



Security risks are identified and mitigated



Data privacy concerns are addressed



Digital accessibility requirements are met



Enhance Transparency



The SRM Program aims to:



Protect UMD's Interests



Ensure Compliance



Promote Efficiency

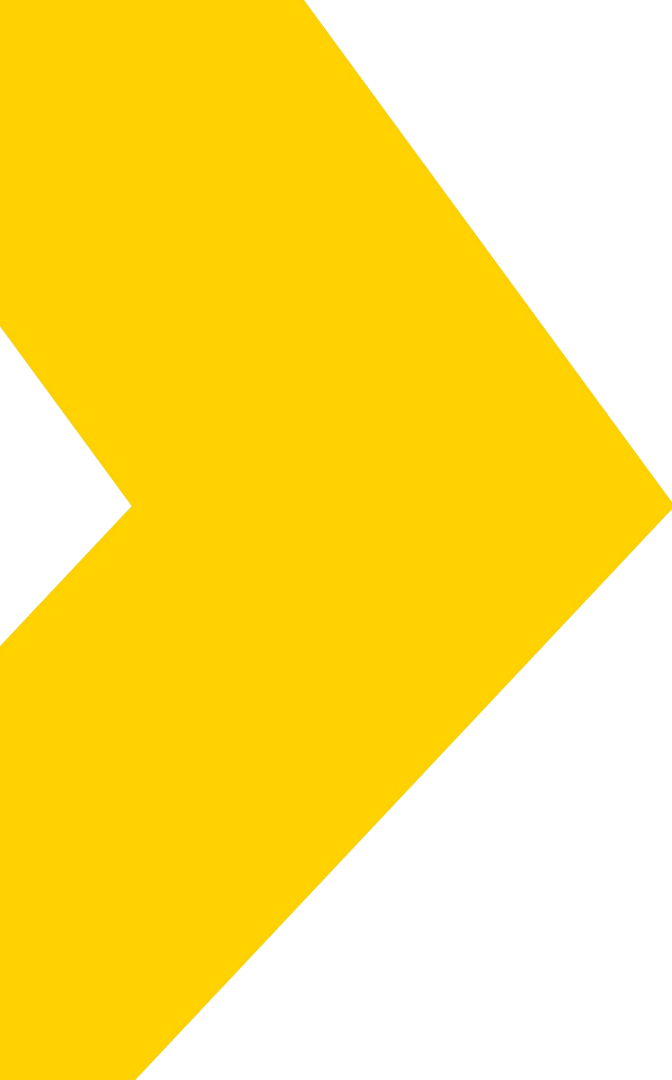


Contracts are reviewed for compliance and risk exposure.



Solutions are compatible with UMD's IT infrastructure.





Who the Program Applies to

The SRM Process applies to



Anyone who engages in contractual relationships with third-party vendors or contractors for IT applications and/or software

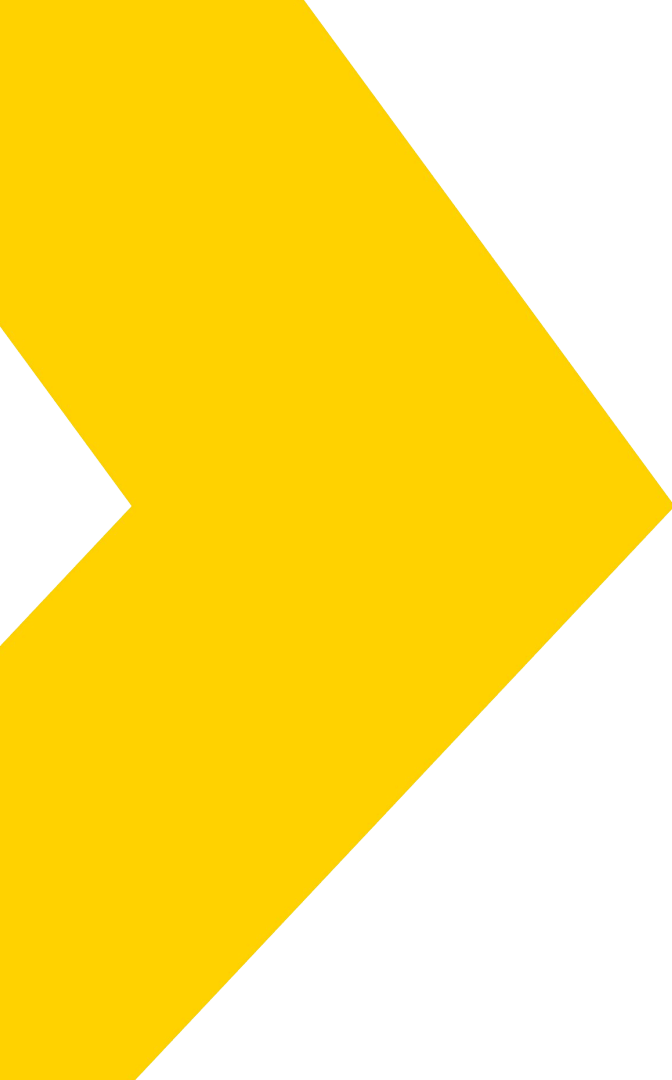


UMD departments, Units



Faculty, Staff, Affiliates, Workforce members,
Sponsored Affilites





**What needs to
be reviewed?**

Software used by Faculty or Staff

- Purchased with UMD funds?
- Does the software integrate with major systems? (Google, Microsoft, Salesforce, Zoom)
- Does the tool or service involve an agreement/contract?
(including free software and click-through agreements)
- Software and services currently in use that hasn't yet been reviewed



Software used by Students

- Is the software required for graded activities?
 - Needs SRM review, at a minimum for accessibility
- Is the software needed for a PhD dissertation?
 - Budget time for SRM review before using software



Software used in Research

 Subject to the same software review requirements





Two review paths

Software Risk Management

Full review process.

Expedited procurement

for lower-risk software.

SRM Full review process

- Fill out DIT-provided SRM assessment form
- Get contact information for software vendors
- Submit SRM form in workday to begin the review process
- DIT contacts vendor to fill out SRM form, provide SOC-2, VPAT/HECVAT if available
- DIT reviews and approves or denies. The process can take 3-4 weeks after all documents have been received.



Expedited review

- For lower risk software
- Fill out shorter form on DIT support website
- Approval decision can take days instead of weeks



Procurement Review

- Begins after DIT Software review is completed
- Dept of Procurement reviews and negotiates terms and conditions
- Amount of time can vary based on company responsiveness



**Can I bypass SRM by
using my own funds and
getting reimbursed
later?**





<https://go.umd.edu/infosrm>

**Using software that hasn't
been reviewed yet?**

Please tell us about it.

Questions?



Plan of Organization updates

Kate Izsak



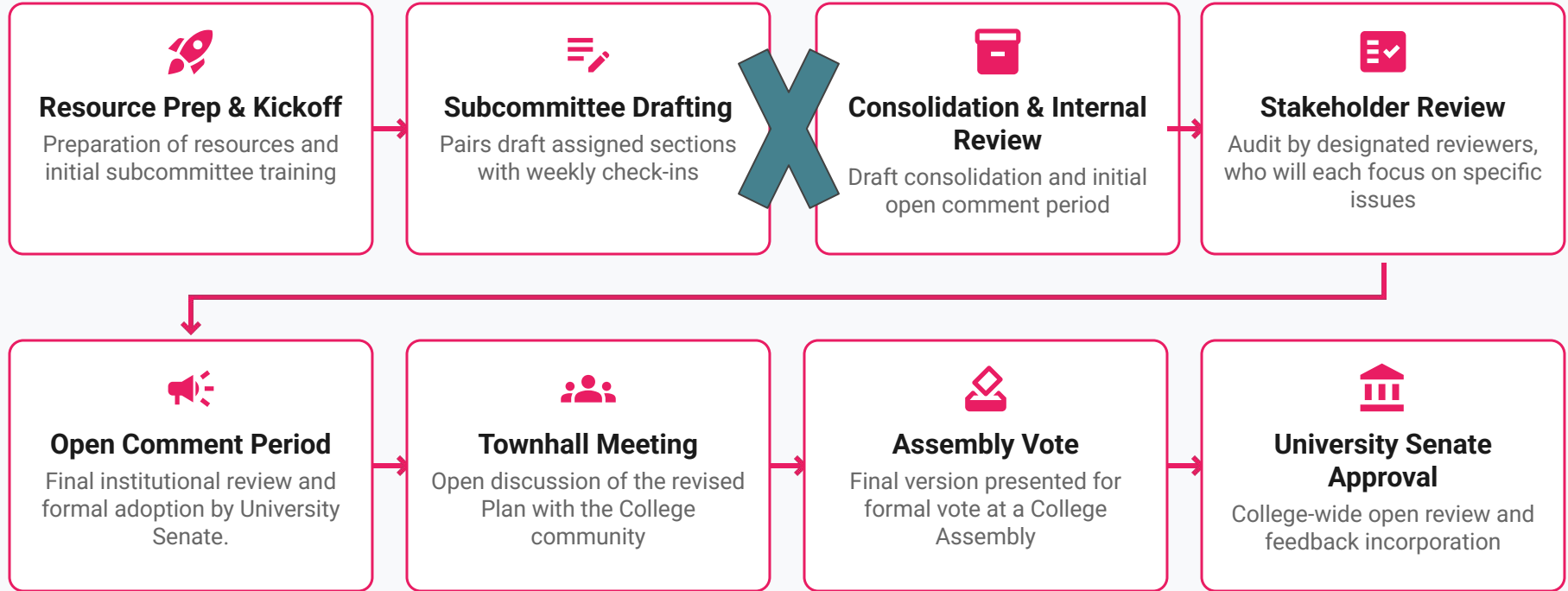
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Plan of Organization Revision Workflow

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Collaborative Governance: Drafting & Stakeholder Review

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Cross-Document: Election & Representation Issues

STAKEHOLDER REVIEWERS

Ron Padron: Community and belonging

Jeff Waters: Staff issues

Kathy Weaver: PTK issues

Jen Golbeck: TTK issues

Connie Siebold: Student issues

Jennifer Sturge: Adjunct issues

Rachael Gammons: Affiliate issues

Bridget Faherty: Financial implications

Kevin Remmell: IT and system implications

Susan Winter: Internal consistency

Drafting focuses on content creation while Stakeholder Review ensures equity, accuracy, and inclusivity.

Plan Evolution: 2020 Rulebook → 2026 Framework

2020 PLAN

OVERALL STRUCTURE

Rulebook Model

Detailed procedures and embedded operations.

COMMITTEE SYSTEM

Highly Specified & Fixed

Many standing committees (Awards, DEI, Nominating) with rigid membership categories.

ASSEMBLY & ELECTIONS

Complex Bureaucracy

Formal nominating committee, complex elections, and detailed meeting rules.

DECISION-MAKING

Distributed Logic

Rules embedded across multiple individual sections.

2026 DRAFT

FRAMEWORK MODEL

Flexible & Adaptable

High-level principles with externalized procedures.

MODULAR DESIGN

Core Committees Only

APT, CAC, PCC focus. Flexible subcommittees created as needed; advisory by default.

STREAMLINED PARTICIPATION

Self-Nomination Model

Simplified elections, voted OR appointed student reps, clarification of voice and vote privileges

CENTRALIZED AUTHORITY

Coordinated Governance

Simplified decision logic; decision-making centered with College Assembly and Dean, subcommittees ultimately advisory

Possibly contentious?!?

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Summary: Shifting from a rigid, overengineered rulebook to a lean, modular governance framework.

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Elections!

Five of them!



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Assembly Officers

Assembly Chair

Assembly Secretary

Assembly Parliamentarian



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College Advisory Committee

TTK Assistant Professor
TTK Associate Professor
TTK Full Professor
PTK Faculty Specialist
PTK Research
PTK Instructional
Staff (Voting)
Staff (Non-Voting)



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APT Co-Chairs

TTK Co-Chair
PTK Co-Chair



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Graduate Council (Interim)



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University Senator TTK (Interim)



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