**Undergraduate Studies Committee Meeting**
**Stuart School Proposed Agenda**
**September 23, 2025**

This memo and the two accompanying documents highlight proposed curricular changes to the Stuart School's degree offerings:

- **BS in Financial Economics**  (see the **accompanying** document)

  We are modifying the five-course major requirements of the existing degree.  As shown on page seven of the CIM submission, students are able to choose two courses from a list of six courses, including **MATH**, **PS**, and **PSYC** courses.  It is possible for students to obtain the degree without any specific finance courses.  In consultation with our finance faculty, we eliminated the choices and required **BUS 454** (Investments) and **BUS 455** (Corporate Finance) of all majors.   Students will still be able to take the omitted courses as either free electives or to satisfy social science course requirement if they choose.

- **BS in Business and Cybersecurity** (see the **accompanying** document)

  This degree replaces the **BS in Economics and Cybersecurity** (**ECON/CYBER**) degree.  As noted in our previous UGSC meeting, "Business" is more consistent with our other offerings, and we don't offer an economics degree.  A degree with "Economics"  in the title complicates matters with our accrediting body (**AACSB**).

  We replaced the required economics courses of the  **ECON/CYBER** degree with a thirty-six credit business core while retaining the cybersecurity core.  This degree parallels the current **Business and Information Technology** (**BUS/IT**) degree that we currently offer to seventeen majors.  The thirty-six credit business core (page seven of the CIM submission) is identical to the **BUS/IT** degree's business core.

  The thirty-six credit cybersecurity core (pages seven and eight of the CIM submission) reflects the courses relevant to cybersecurity education as specified by the **ITM** department advisors.  The six highlighted courses are in common with the **BUS/IT** degree's Information Technology core, while the other six are specific to the cybersecurity degree.