

AGENDA
Tuesday, August 19th, 2025
Michelson Hall (MCB), Room 101

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Refreshments	
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Overview	Timothy M. Pinkston Vice Dean for Faculty Affairs
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Dean’s Remarks	Yannis C. Yortsos Dean
9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.		Gaurav S. Sukhatme Executive Vice Dean Director, School of Advanced Computing (SAC)
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Human Resources and Administration & Viterbi Business Affairs	Kasia Bzdak Executive Director, Human Resources
	Space and Facilities	Jeffrey Wiginton Senior Director, Facilities Management & Operations
	Information Technology	Michael Goay Executive Director, Information Technology
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Admission and Student Engagement	Kelly Goulis Senior Associate Dean, Viterbi Admission and Student Engagement (VASE)
	Student Wellness	Lorena Duran Director of Student Wellness
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Break	
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Academic Programs	Erik Johnson Vice Dean for Academic Programs
11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Global Engagement	Raghu Raghavendra Vice Dean for Global Engagement
11:15 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.	Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure	Pin Wang 2022-2025 APT Chair
11:35 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Break / Lunch Service	
	Information Booth available at Lunch: USC Credit Union	
12:15 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Lunch / Presentations	

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Faculty Affairs

Timothy M. Pinkston
Vice Dean for Faculty Affairs

12:45 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Technology Innovation and
Entrepreneurship

Ellis Meng
Vice Dean of Technology Innovation and
Entrepreneurship

1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Communications at Viterbi

Ralph Lin
Managing Director, Office of Technology
Innovation and Entrepreneurship

1:15 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.
Viterbi Advancement

Michael D. Chung
Associate Dean, Marketing and Communications
(MARCOM)

Obtaining Funding from Companies
and Foundations

Kaci Silverman
Senior Associate Dean, Advancement

1:35 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.
University Ombuds

Maurena Nacheff-Benedict
Assistant Dean, Corporate and Foundation
Relations

Stacy Rouse
Assistant Ombuds, USC Office of the Ombuds

1:50 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Break

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Faculty Honors and Awards

Kim Matsunaga
Program Specialist, Faculty Honors and Awards

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Federal Funding Updates

Jordan Locy
Program Manager, Office of Research: Research
Advancement

Helen Immerso
Grant Writer, Office of Research: Research
Advancement

Ethan Bochicchio
Grant Writer, Office of Research: Research
Advancement

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

USC's Center for Advanced Research
Computing

Byoung-Do (BD) Kim
Associate Chief Research Information Officer

3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Research at USC

Mahta Moghaddam
Vice Dean for Research

Nicole Burelli
Senior Operations Director, Office of Research

Dragana Davidovic

Principal Contracts and Grants Officer
Office of Research, Contracts, and Grants

Daniel Shapiro

Director, Research Administration Compliance
Office of Culture, Ethics, and Compliance

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Open Q&A and Closing Remarks

Mahta Moghaddam

Vice Dean for Research

Timothy Pinkston

Vice Dean for Faculty Affairs

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Viterbi New Faculty Reception
Michelson Hall (MCB) Patio**