

**Vancouver Senate Admissions Committee**

**MINUTES OF 22 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Via zoom**

**Attendance:** Prof. Carol Jaeger, Joint Faculties Representative, Faculty of Applied Science (Chair)  
Dr. Peter Choi, Joint Faculties Representative, Faculty of Medicine  
Dr. Ian Cavers, Associate Dean, Faculty of Science  
Dr. Joanne Fox, Faculty of Science – Joint Faculties Representative  
Dr. Joey Hoegg, Associate Professor, Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration  
Dr. Sandra Jarvis-Selinger, Associate Dean, Academic, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences  
Mr. Brendan Morey, Assistant Dean, Student Administration & Awards, Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies  
Dr. Laura Moss, Associate Dean, Students, Faculty of Arts  
Dr. Ingrid Price, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences Representative  
Dr. Pam Ratner, Vice-Provost and AVP Enrolment and Academic Facilities  
Dr. Kate Ross, Associate Vice-President and Registrar, Enrolment Services  
Mr. Sam Saini, Associate Registrar, Undergraduate Admissions and Student Recruitment & Advising, Enrolment Services  
Dr. Zhaoming Xu, Associate Dean, Academic, Faculty of Land and Food Systems  
Keanna Yu, Student Senator  
Ms. Angela Zhao, Convocation Senator

**Regrets:** Dawson Born, Faculty of Medicine – Student Senator  
Dr. Steven Pelech, Faculty of Medicine Representative  
Dr. Shahin Shirzad, Assistant Dean, Admissions, Faculty of Medicine

**Guest:** Dr. Jeremy Schmidt, Director, Dean's Office, Allard School of Law  
Ms. Ginette Vallee, Senior Manager, Academic Portfolio, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

**Secretariat:** Aman Breen, Office of the Senate

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Approved by consent.

**ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 28 April 2021 (deferred)**

### ITEM 3: MASTER OF PHARMACY LEADERSHIP (approval)

The Committee considered a proposal for a new program, Master of Pharmacy Leadership, presented by Dr. Sandra Jarvis-Selinger. The proposal offers proposes to offer a new professional Master of Pharmacy Leadership (MPL) program. The MPL is an advanced program at the Master's level that builds upon entry-to-practice degree programs (Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy offered at UBC between 1946 and 2014, and Doctor of Pharmacy offered at UBC since 2015). Unique features include its curricular focus on leadership, its mostly online structure, and its applicability to many pharmacy career paths. The MPL program will equip pharmacists for roles demanding strong leadership, organizational behaviour knowledge, and policy decision-making skills in healthcare, corporate, regulatory, and academic organizations. The main differentiation between the MPL and other Masters level programs is the focus on leadership skill development, the online delivery mode and program length which fits well with the needs of working professionals.

The Committee recommended the following revisions to the proposed admission requirements:

#### Admission Requirements:

~~“Enrolment in the MPL is limited to 15 students per cycle.~~ Admission to the program takes into consideration a variety of criteria: previous academic performance, English proficiency, professional experience, maturity, and fit. Admission is expected to be highly competitive and may require an academic standing higher than the published minimum. Satisfying the minimum entrance requirements will not guarantee admission, but rather ensures eligibility for selection. Selection will be at the discretion of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences' MPL Admissions Committee. Additional ~~criteria~~ **materials** considered in the selection process will include a supplemental application form, a personal statement and a curriculum vitae.”

<i>I. Cavers K. Yu</i>	}	<i><b>That the Senate Admissions Committee approve, and recommend to the Senate for approval, admission requirements to the Master of Pharmacy Leadership</b></i>
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Approved

### ITEM 4: FACULTY OF LAW: UBC & UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY|SYDNEY LAW SCHOOL – AFFILIATION AGREEMENT (approval)

The Committee considered a proposed affiliation agreement between the UBC Allard School of Law and the University of Sydney, Sydney Law School. Under the agreement, eligible students enrolled in J.D. or L.L.B. program at the University of Sydney, Sydney Law School may earn an Master of Laws, Common Law (L.L.M. C.L.) degree from UBC following completion of 5 semesters of law study (at least 120 Sydney law credit points) in either the J.D. or L.L.B. program at Sydney Law School. Upon successful completion

of LL.M. C.L.at UBC, student will receive either an L.L.B. of JD from Sydney and an LL.M. C.L. from UBC.

The Chair called for a motion as follows:

<i>Z. Xu</i> <i>P. Choi</i>	}	<i>That the Senate Admissions Committee approve, and recommend to the Senate for approval, the proposed UBC and University of Sydney Affiliation Agreement</i>
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Approved

## CATEGORY 2 PROPOSALS

### ITEM 5: PHARMD ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS – MINOR UPDATES

<i>S. Jarvis-Selinger</i> <i>I. Cavers</i>	}	<i>That the Senate Admissions Committee approve changes to the PharmD admission requirements</i>
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Approved

### ITEM 6: ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS AND GRE REQUIREMENTS

<i>M. Morey</i> <i>I. Price</i>	}	<i>That the Senate Admissions Committee approve changes to the English Language Proficiency Standards and GRE requirements.</i>
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Approved

### ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

A number of Associate Dean members noted they do not receive any notification of the Committee's decisions on appeals. Ms. Breen noted that past practice had been to include the Faculty respondent and Undergraduate Admissions on appeal decision letters, and that the Secretariat will revert to that practice. Committee members asked for a report on appeals, including the number adjudicated, general trends and observations etc. for Committee discussion at a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.