SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 25, 2024 from 1:00-2:49 pm via Zoom

Attendees

Senators S. Bredin, P. Englezos, S. Gopalakrishnan, R. Kozak, S. Lavallee, G. Markman, I. Price, C. Rawn (Chair), S. Singh


Guests J. Fletcher

Regrets H. Amin, S. Brown, I. Caguiat (Vice-Chair), P. Culbert, A. Dulay, A. Flynn, J. Fox, B. Goold, N. Hutchinson, D. Li, C. Menzies, S. Parker, S. Rout, J. Stewart, A. Uzama

Senate Office M. Davis, J. Iverson, B. Menard

Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The meeting of the Senate Curriculum Committee (the “Committee”) was called to order at 1:00 pm on 25 March 2024 by C. Rawn, Chair.

Agenda

Motion: That the Senate Curriculum Committee adopts the 25 March 2024 agenda.

Carried by general consent.

Meeting Minutes

Motion: That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the 20 February 2024 meeting minutes.

Carried by general consent.

Business Arising

J. Iverson noted that IRP will aim to have 2024W proposals approved at the July committee meeting inputted according to their effective session. The Committee was reminded that 2024W proposals were asked to be submitted no later than May 2023 to ensure no delays in their implementation. It was recommended that proponents have a contingency plan in place for proposals going forward to the July SCC if they are effective for 2024W. It was also noted that the Senate Office’s IRP transition page has been updated: https://senate.ubc.ca/senate-irp-transition/.
**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Applied Faculties**  
As presented by E. Salzberg:

New Course: PLAN 448

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval the new course.

Moved: C. Holmes  
Seconded: C. Jaeger  
Carried.

**Arts**  
As presented by the Chair:

New Courses: ARTH 386, HIST 203

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval the new courses.

Moved: C. Rawn  
Seconded: E. Whitney

The Committee discussed use of the word “Anthropocene” in ARTH 386’s course title.

**Action:**  
The Senate Office and H. Law will ask the proponent to consider use of “Anthropocene” and to address its use in the rationale.

The Committee discussed use of single quotation marks used around Global War on Terror in the course description for HIST 203.

**Action:**  
The Senate Office and H. Law will ask the proponent consider use of ‘Global War on Terror’ and to decide whether to expand the description or change the single-quotations to double-quotations.

Carried.

**Graduate**  
As presented by H. Law:

New Courses: PHAR 520, PPGA 592

Revised Program: Master of Public Policy and Global Affairs

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval the new courses and revised program.
A committee member asked whether a different pre-requisite would be more appropriate for PHAR 520. A different committee member asked whether "proteomics" should be added to the course information.

**Action:**
The Senate Office and S. Jarvis-Selinger will ask the proponent to consider whether the course title, description and/or pre-requisite should be revised based on committee feedback.

The Committee discussed the credit range maximum for PPGA 592 and whether the Committee should develop a policy regarding maximum allowable credits for special topics courses.

**Action:**
PPGA 592 to be pulled from the docket to return to the Committee at its April meeting. The Senate Office and H. Law will ask the proponent to reduce the maximum credits to 6 and to provide a revised rationale regarding the credit range maximum.

H. Law withdrew motion.

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval PHAR 520.

Moved: H. Law  
Seconded: S. Gopalakrishnan  
Carried.

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval the revised Master of Public Policy and Global Affairs.

Moved: H. Law  
Seconded: S. Gopalakrishnan  
Carried.

As presented by S. Gopalakrishnan:

New Courses: KIN 413, KIN 434, PHRM 324

**Motion:** That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves and recommends to Senate for approval the new courses.

Moved: S. Gopalakrishnan  
Seconded: S. Jarvis-Selinger  
Carried.
DISCUSSIONS

Update from ISP Discussion at Senate Agenda Committee
As presented by the Chair and the B. Menard:

An overview was provided regarding the Senate Agenda Committee’s recent discussion regarding actions taken by the standing committees regarding the Triennial Review recommendation with respect to engagement with the ISP and potentially updating standing committee terms of reference.

Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding ways that the Committee engages with the ISP and other opportunities for engagement. Topics discussed by the Committee included receiving additional guidance on how to operationalize strategic plans, committee members building deeper connections with each other, potentially scheduling in-person committee meetings, including proponents in committee discussions, and ensuring that actions are scalable.

Action:
Committee members will review the Guide to Curriculum Submissions for UBC Vancouver with a view to integrating more connections to the ISP.

Standing Item – Integrated Renewal Program (IRP)
None.

Other Business
None.

Next meeting
Monday 22 April 2024 from 1-3pm.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 2:49pm.