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To: Okanagan Senate

From: Policies & Procedures Committee

Re: Cancellation of Classes for Create UBC Okanagan (approval)

Date: March 1, 2007

The Policies & Procedures Committee recently considered a request from Associate Vice-President, Students Ian Cull to cancel classes for all students on the day of the Create UBC Okanagan event. Create UBC Okanagan is the orientation day for new students. The new-student cohort includes new first year students and new transfer students, as well as new mature students. Under the current Academic Year, only 100-level classes are cancelled.

The Committee concurs with Mr. Cull's submission that cancelling all classes would reduce confusion for all students concerning their class schedule and facilitate faculty and senior student participation in the Create program. The proposal to cancel classes was well received at a recent meeting of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor's Executive Council (DVC-EC).

The Committee recommends as follows:

That the 2007/2008 Academic Year be modified to cancel classes for all students on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 in order to facilitate participation in Create UBC Okanagan.

For future years, the Committee has suggested that Term 1 classes be scheduled to start on the day following Create UBC Okanagan, thereby accomplishing the same end but avoiding cancellations. The Committee is currently considering a number of factors regarding the preparation of the Academic Year and plans to bring forward recommendations on this matter at a future meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Dean Michael Isaacson
Chair, Policies & Procedures Committee