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January 8, 2010

To: Vancouver Senate

From: Admissions Committee

Re: **Calendar Changes on Admission (English Language Admission Standard: Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English Courses, Change of Degree Program/Campus, Policy on Admission and Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology)(approval)**

e) English Language Admission Standard: Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English Courses – Calendar Change on Admission (approval)(circulated)

The Admissions Committee has reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the revised calendar entry on the LPI requirement for first-year English courses. The proposed changes reflect the introduction of the Writing and Research Requirement for applicants to the Faculty of Arts, approved by Senate in May 2009.

Motion: *That Senate approve the revised calendar entry on English Language Admission Standard.*

f) Change of Degree Program/Campus – Calendar Change on Admission (approval)(circulated)

The Admissions Committee has reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the revised calendar entry on Change of Degree Program/Campus. Requests for readmission and change of degree program will be considered for both the Summer and Winter sessions.

Motion: *That Senate approve the revised calendar entry on Change of Degree Program/Campus, effective for entry to the 2011 Winter Session and thereafter.*

g) Policy on Admission – Calendar Change on Admission (approval)(circulated)

The Admissions Committee has reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the revised calendar entry on Policy on Admission. The proposed changes better reflect the use of broad-based admission information in admission decisions.

Motion: *That Senate approve the revised calendar entry on Policy on Admission.*

h) Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology – Calendar Change on Admission (approval)(circulated)

The Admissions Committee has reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the revised calendar entry on admission to the Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology program. The proposed changes remove references to the Bachelor of Science Agroecology program, which has been replaced by the Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology and reflect recent changes in mathematics admission requirements for applicants following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum.

Motion: *That Senate approve the changes in admission requirements for applicants to the Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology program, effective for entry to the 2010 Winter Session and thereafter.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. David Fielding
Chair, Admissions Committee



UBC Undergraduate Admissions Proposal Form Change to Admission Requirements

<p>Faculty: Faculty of Arts Department: Arts Studies in Research and Writing Program Senate Approval Date: In May 2009, Senate approved the Writing and Research Requirement, which necessitates the calendar changes outlined below. Effective Session: 2009 Winter Session</p>	<p>Date: November 25, 2009 Contact Person: Katharine Patterson, Chair, Arts Studies in Research and Writing Program Tel. 604 822-4078 E-mail: katpatte@interchange.ubc.ca</p>
<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,19,0,0</p> <p>Proposed Calendar Entry:</p> <p>Homepage > Admissions > English Language Admission Standard</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Language Proficiency Index (LPI) Requirement for First-Year English Courses</p> <p>Students registered in most undergraduate programs at UBC must fulfill a requirement of at least 3 credits of first-year English.</p> <p>To be eligible to register in first-year English courses, students must complete the LPI or be exempt from it. The LPI is administered by the Department of Applied Research and Evaluation Services through the LPI Office. Please refer to your faculty's "English Requirements" and the The Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English for more details. Students in the Faculty of Arts are not required to complete the LPI or be exempt from it.</p> <p>Students in the Faculty of Arts must</p>	<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,19,0,0</p> <p>Present Calendar Entry:</p> <p>Homepage > Admissions > English Language Admission Standard</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Language Proficiency Index (LPI) Requirement for First-Year English Courses</p> <p>All programs at UBC require at least 3 credits of first-year English; most require 6 credits. Although it is not necessary to complete the LPI prior to registering for UBC, it is necessary to have completed it before enrolling in any first-year English course, Arts One, the Arts Foundations Program, or Science One at UBC. The LPI is administered by the Department of Applied Research and Evaluation Services through the LPI Office. Please refer to each faculty's "English Requirements" and the The Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English for more details.</p> <p>Note: Unless a student meets this requirement by exemption, the LPI examination must be taken prior to enrolment in any first-year English course at UBC, or in any of the</p>



fulfill the Writing and Research Requirement. There is no first-year English degree requirement in the Faculty of Arts except for students majoring in English.

Note: A student's registration in other courses may be halted if the English **or writing** requirement for the student's degree has not been met by the faculty's allotted completion time.

~~programs listed above.~~ A student's registration in other courses may be halted if the English requirement for the student's degree has not been met by the faculty's allotted completion time.

Type of Action: Reflect changes to undergraduate admission resulting from the introduction of the Writing and Research Requirement, approved by Senate in May 2009.

Rationale: The Writing and Research Requirement has a 3 credit writing component that can be filled by successfully completing ASTU 150, CAP, Arts One, or ENGL 100. Only ENGL 100 has the LPI as an eligibility criterion for registration.

**UBC Calendar Change Proposal Form**

<p>Effective Session: Effective for the 2011 admission to UBC.</p> <p>Year for change: To be posted to the calendar upon approval for the purpose of advising students.</p>	<p>Date: December 3, 2009</p> <p>Contact Person: Rosalie Vlaar, Senior Policy Analyst, Undergraduate Admissions</p> <p>Phone: 604-822-4240</p> <p>Email: rosalie.vlaar@ubc.ca</p>
<p>URL from Web Calendar:</p> <p>http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,274,0,0</p> <p>Proposed Calendar Entry:</p> <p><u>Homepage</u> > <u>Admissions</u> > Change of Degree Program/Campus</p> <p>Currently attending UBC students who wish to change faculties or apply for readmission to a new faculty must meet the University minimum average of 60% or 2.0 grade point average. Some programs may require a competitive admission average.</p> <p>UBC students who wish to transfer to a different program must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student Service Centre and pay the \$60.00 application fee. Former UBC students can also apply for readmission and change of program or campus using the same form.</p> <p>Students applying to change degree programs are required to meet faculty or school pre-requisites and admission average. Certain programs may require Change of Degree applicants to meet a competitive admission average.</p> <p>Students who wish to change campus from UBC Vancouver to UBC Okanagan, or <i>vice versa</i>, must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student Service Centre and pay the \$60.00 application fee. Students changing</p>	<p>URL from Web Calendar:</p> <p>http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,274,0,0</p> <p>Present Calendar Entry:</p> <p><u>Homepage</u> > <u>Admissions</u> > Change of Degree Program/Campus</p> <p>Currently attending UBC students who wish to change faculties or apply for readmission to a new faculty must meet the University minimum average of 60% or 2.0 grade point average. Some programs may require a competitive admission average.</p> <p>UBC students who wish to transfer to a different program must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student Service Centre and pay the \$60.00 application fee. Former UBC students can also apply for readmission and change of program or campus using the same form. Readmission and Change of Degree Program forms are considered for the Winter Session only.</p> <p>Students applying to change degree programs are required to meet faculty or school pre-requisites and admission average. Certain programs may require Change of Degree applicants to meet a competitive admission average.</p> <p>Students who wish to change campus from UBC Vancouver to UBC Okanagan, or <i>vice versa</i>, must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student</p>



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Type of Action: Allow for change of program in both the Summer and Winter sessions.

Rationale: UBC currently disadvantages its own students by allowing transfer applicants from other institutions to apply to begin their studies in some programs in the Summer Session but not allowing the same for our own students, who are currently restricted to making program changes for the Winter Session only.

The rationale for different practices was that the UBC student could continue in the program they were currently registered in for the Summer and then 'switch' in the Fall. This rationale does nothing to assure the UBC student that they will be admitted to their desired program.

Restricting program changes to the Winter Session was also a result of the historical practice of waiting for Sessional averages from UBC students in order to determine admissibility. Now that admission can be determined after the first term of the Winter Session, this restriction is no longer necessary.



UBC Undergraduate Admissions Proposal Form Change to Admission Requirements

<p>Effective Session: To be posted to the calendar upon approval for the purpose of advising students.</p>	<p>Date: December 3, 2009 Contact Person: Rosalie Vlaar, Senior Policy Analyst, Undergraduate Admissions Phone: 604-822-4240 Email: rosalie.vlaar@ubc.ca</p>
<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,13,0,0</p> <p><u>Homepage</u> > <u>Admissions</u> > Policy on Admissions</p> <p>Proposed Calendar Entry:</p> <p>The University of British Columbia seeks applications from students who can benefit from and contribute to the varied and stimulating academic life at this university. The University's admission regulations and procedures are intended to identify such students and to ensure that they enter programs at a level that will allow them to get the maximum benefit from their university studies.</p> <p>Academic criteria are the bases of admission for the majority of applicants offered admission but additional criteria may be used in some programs. Programs to which admission may be based on both academic and other criteria are identified in the faculty and school entries.</p> <p>Excellent students who do not meet all of the published admission requirements may be considered for admission in exceptional cases by the dean of the faculty or the dean's designate.</p> <p>The number of new students that can be admitted to each program is dependent on a number of factors and is usually not known when the first offers of admission are made. The chances of receiving an offer of admission may be increased by the early submission of an application and supporting documentation.</p>	<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,13,0,0</p> <p><u>Homepage</u> > <u>Admissions</u> > Policy on Admissions</p> <p>Present Calendar Entry:</p> <p>The University of British Columbia seeks applications from students who can benefit from and contribute to the varied and stimulating academic life at this university. The University's admission regulations and procedures are intended to identify such students and to ensure that they enter programs at a level that will allow them to get the maximum benefit from their university studies.</p> <p>Academic criteria are the bases of admission for the majority of applicants offered admission but additional criteria may be used in some programs in the selection of a limited number of qualified students. Programs to which admission may be based on both academic and other criteria are identified in the faculty and school entries.</p> <p>Excellent students who do not meet all of the published admission requirements may be considered for admission in exceptional cases by the dean of the faculty or the dean's designate.</p> <p>The number of new students that can be admitted to each program is dependent on a number of factors and is usually not known when the first offers of admission are made. The chances of receiving an offer of admission</p>



<p>Application and document deadlines are the latest dates on which an application or document will be accepted. Processing of applications does begin before these dates and in some cases programs may be filled by well qualified students before the document deadline.</p> <p>The University reserves the right, the published regulations notwithstanding, to deny admission and to limit enrolment by selecting from among qualified applicants those who will be admitted.</p>	<p>may be increased by the early submission of an application and supporting documentation. Application and document deadlines are the latest dates on which an application or document will be accepted. Processing of applications does begin before these dates and in some cases programs may be filled by well qualified students before the document deadline.</p> <p>The University reserves the right, the published regulations notwithstanding, to deny admission on the basis of overall academic record and to limit enrolment by selecting from among qualified applicants those who will be admitted.</p> <p>Rationale: Edit for clarification. A number of programs at UBCV now include BBA information in the selection of many or all of their students.</p>
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UBC Undergraduate Admissions Proposal Form Change to Admission Requirements

<p>Faculty: Land and Food Systems Department: Agroecology Approval Date: Approved by Senate in December 2008 Effective Session: Winter 2010 Year for Change: Change Calendar ASAP in order to advise prospective students</p>	<p>Date: December 3, 2009 Contact Person: Lynn Newman Saunders Assistant Dean, Students 604 822-9702 lynn.newman@ubc.ca</p>
<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=12,194,260,3</p> <p>Proposed Calendar Entry:</p> <p>Homepage > Faculties, Colleges, and Schools > The Faculty of Land and Food Systems > B.Sc. in Agroecology > Admission</p> <p>This program is no longer admitting new students. Please refer to the B.Sc. in Applied Biology. << link to <></p>	<p>URL: http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=12,194,260,3</p> <p>Present Calendar Entry:</p> <p>Homepage > Faculties, Colleges, and Schools > The Faculty of Land and Food Systems > B.Sc. in Agroecology > Admission</p> <p>Students should refer to Admissions. Students may gain admission directly from secondary school or transfer from a recognized university or college with a minimum of 24 credits, or as mature students.</p> <p>For admission to the Bachelor of Science in Agroecology program, students from Grade 12 British Columbia schools must meet the general University admission requirements and must have completed English 11 and 12; Social Studies 11; an approved language 11; Mathematics 11 and 12; at least two of Biology 11, Chemistry 11, and Physics 11; one of Chemistry 12, Physics 12, Biology 12, Geology 12; a course chosen from among the approved examinable Grade 12 courses.</p>



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Proposed Calendar Entry:

[Homepage](#) > [Admissions](#) > [Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum](#) > Specific Program Requirements for Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum

Below are the required courses used in the calculation of the admission average for specific programs, as well as courses that are required but are not used in the calculation of the average:

Program	Degree	Faculty/ School	Average Calculated on the Following Required Courses or IB/AP Equivalents	Courses Required but not included in the Calculation of the Average
Applied Biology	B.Sc. (Applied Biology)	Land and Food Systems	English 12 Principles of Mathematics 12 or Pre- Calculus 12 One of Biology 12, Chemistry 12, Geology 12 or Physics 12 One other approved Grade 12 course	English 11 Language 11 Principles of Mathematics 11 or Pre-Calculus 11 Two of Biology 11, Chemistry 11, or Physics 11 Social Studies 11

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<http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=12,194,897,1444>

Proposed Calendar Entry:

Homepage > Faculties, Colleges, and Schools > The Faculty of Land and Food Systems > B.Sc. in Applied Biology (APBI) > Admission

Students should refer to [Admissions](#). Students may gain admission directly from secondary school or transfer from a recognized university or college with a minimum of 24 credits, or as mature students.

For admission to the Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology, students from Grade 12 British Columbia schools must meet the general University admission requirements and must have completed English 11 and 12; Social Studies 11; an approved language 11; Principles of Mathematics 11 and 12 **or Pre-Calculus 11 and 12**; at least two of Biology 11, Chemistry 11 and Physics 11; one of Chemistry 12, Physics 12, Biology 12 and Geology 12; and a course chosen from among the approved Grade 12 courses.

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URL: <http://www.students.ubc.ca/calendar/index.cfm?tree=2,23,71,0>

Proposed Calendar Entry:

[Homepage](#) > [Admissions](#) > [Applicants Following Secondary School Curricula in Canada, outside of BC/Yukon](#) > Specific Program Requirements

The information contained in the table below applies to applicants from outside BC/Yukon, but is expressed in BC/Yukon terms. Undergraduate Admissions will determine course equivalency. These requirements are in addition to specific [Provincial Requirements](#).

Specific Program Requirements for Students Applying from Outside of BC/Yukon

Program	Degree	Faculty/School	Secondary school graduation must include:
Applied Biology	B.Sc. (Applied Biology)	Land and Food Systems	English 12 Principles of Mathematics 12 or Pre-Calculus 12 Two of Biology 11, Chemistry 11, Physics 11 One of Biology 12, Chemistry 12, Geology 12, Physics 12

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		<p>Type of Action:</p> <p>Remove references to admission to the Agroecology program and add references to the new Applied Biology program. Incorporate the new BC secondary school mathematics curriculum into the proposed language.</p> <p>Rationale:</p> <p>UBC's Agroecology program has been replaced with a program in Applied Biology. This new program was approved by Senate in December 2008. Beginning in 2010 new students will no longer be admitted to Agroecology and admission criteria in the Calendar need to be removed. In their place will be the admission criteria for the B.Sc. in Applied Biology.</p> <p>The proposed text also reflects the new BC secondary school mathematics curriculum for the purpose of advising prospective students.</p>	