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SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 23, 2023 from 1:01-2:48 pm via Zoom

Attendees

Senators P. Englezos, S. Gopalakrishnan, C. Jaeger, T. Jiang, R. Kozak, C. Krebs (Chair), V.

Li, S. Matsui, P. Patraschuk, S. Singh, J. Stewart, G. Yee (Vice-Chair)

Ex Officio S. Bates, S. Brown, P. Culbert, D. Harris, C. Holmes, N. Hutchinson, S. Jarvis-

Selinger, S. Jhangiani, M. Moss, C. Rawn, E. Salzberg, E. Whitney

Guests J. Fletcher, J. Phelps, A.-R. Vasquez

Regrets A. Dulay, C. Menzies, S. Parker, L. Stothers, K. Yu

Senate Staff E. Clarke, J. Iverson, B. Menard, N. Willins

Call to Order and

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Acknowledgement

The meeting of the Senate Curriculum Committee (the "Committee") was called

to order at 1:01 pm on 23 January 2023 by Claudia Krebs, Chair.

Agenda That the Senate Curriculum Committee adopts the 23 January 2023 agenda, as

revised.

Carried by general consent.

Meeting Minutes That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the 21 November 2022

meeting minutes, as revised.

Moved: C. Krebs Seconded: J. Stewart

Carried.

Business Arising None.

For Approval

Subcommittee

Reports

Applied Faculties

(1/3)

As presented by S. Gopalakrishnan:

New Certificate: Cloud and Technology Transformation

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the new certificate, as circulated.

Moved: S. Gopalakrishnan Seconded: E. Whitney Carried.

A committee member inquired about Information the inclusion of artificial intelligence ethics within the certificate program.

A.-R. Vasquez from UBC Extended Learning responded that ethical uses and the creation of an ethical framework around the usage of AI, including a case study, are included in the coursework.

Applied Faculties (2/3)

As presented by S. Gopalakrishnan:

New Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources

New Programs: Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources > Major in Bioeconomy Sciences and Technology, Major in Conservation, Major in Forest Management, Major in Forest Operations, Major in Forest Sciences (General), Major in Wood Products, Minor in Commerce, Honours in Forest Sciences

New Degree Parchment: Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources

New Dual Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources and Education

New Course Code: NRES (Natural Resources)

New Courses: CONS 454, FRST 475, HGSE 330, HGSE 331, HGSE 332, HGSE 333, NRES 100, NRES 101

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the new degree program, new programs, new dual degree program, new course code, and new courses, as circulated.

Moved: S. Gopalakrishnan Seconded: R. Kozak Carried.

A committee member asked why the Bachelor of Urban Forestry and Bachelor of Indigenous Land Stewardship are not included in this proposal.

P. Culbert responded that the two programs are different enough to remain as standalone degrees.

A committee member noted that the program title of "Natural Resources" may be confusing because the proposed degree does not include topics in all natural resources.

P. Culbert agreed that it is a concern that was discussed by the Faulty, which noted that the proposed program encompasses a wide range was natural resources. It was agreed that it is an imperfect term, however, with promotion and good messaging the Faculty will be able to describe exactly what the program entails.

A committee member requested whether a consultation was pursued with the Faculty of Arts for the inclusion of WRDS 150/ENGL 100 in the degree requirements and if they can be accommodated by the Faculty of Arts.

P. Culbert responded that majority of students will be directed to take the inhouse equivalents of WRDS 150 (LFS 150, FRST 150). There should not be any impact on the number of students taking WRDS 150.

Applied Faculties (3/3)

As presented by S. Gopalakrishnan:

Revised Program: Bachelor of Applied Science, Mining Engineering

New Courses: BMEG 402, MECH 359, MECH 411, MECH 412, MINE 444, MINE 447, COMM 323, COMM 375, COMM 400

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the revised program and new courses, as circulated.

Moved: S. Gopalakrishnan Seconded: C. Jaeger Carried.

A committee member asked if BMEG 402 is open to students in other faculties.

In response it was noted that enrolment priority may be given to Biomedical Engineering students, but other students would be able to take the course.

Arts (1/2) As presented by G. Yee:

Delete Certificate: Certificates in Theatre Design, Technology

New Courses: CHIN 470, CRWR 425, HIST 336, WRDS 370, WRDS 390

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the certificate deletion and new courses, as circulated.

Moved: G. Yee Seconded: C. Rawn Carried. Arts (2/2) As presented by G. Yee:

New Programs: Bachelor of Arts > Minor in Journalism and Social Change, Honours in Computer Science

Revised Programs: Bachelor of Arts > Major in German Studies, Honours in German Studies, Minor in German Studies

New Course Codes: GERN (German) and GMST (German Studies)

New Courses: CTLN 101, JRNL 320, JRNL 325, JRNL 425, LAST 315, LAST 415, NORD 338, NORD 339, RMST 306, RMST 390

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the new programs, revised programs, new course codes, and new courses, as circulated.

Moved: G. Yee Seconded: C. Rawn Carried.

A committee member asked for clarification about the credit exclusion of CTLN 101 and CTLN 301, given that it breaks the norm of credit exclusions for courses within the same year.

In response, it was noted that CTLN 301 covers both language and culture, is being replaced by CTLN 101 for language and an RMST course for culture.

A committee member suggested that WRDS 390 – Writing Disability be included in the elective options for the Minor of Journalism and Social Change.

Science As presented by J. Stewart:

Revised Parchment: Bachelor of Computer Science

Revised Courses: BIOL 340, BIOL 341, MATH 230, MATH 360

New Courses: ATSC 413, BIOL 329, BIOL 439, CHEM 141

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the revised parchment, revised courses, and new courses as circulated.

Moved: J. Stewart Seconded: E. Salzberg Carried.

V-127: Diploma Programs and V-128: AcademicAs presented by J. Iverson and S. Bates:

Credit Certificate
Programs

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves V-127: Diploma Programs and V-128: Academic-Credit Certificate Programs policies, as presented.

Moved: C. Krebs Seconded: S. Bates Carried.

A committee member recommended that the credit value ranges for V-127 and V-128 should be in-parallel. The Committee agreed with this recommendation.

Action item:

Senate Office to revise policy V-128 undergraduate/post-baccalaureate credit range to 9-29.

Graduate (1/2)

As presented by N. Hutchinson:

New Courses: BIOL 539, CRWR 525, ECED 533, LLED 551, LWS 530, RHSC 591

New Program: Master of Business Administration > Climate Career Track

Revised Programs: Master of Arts > Early Childhood Education, Master of Education > Early Childhood Education, Master of Urban Forestry Leadership

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the new courses, new program and revised programs, as circulated.

Moved: N. Hutchinson Seconded: J. Stewart Carried.

Graduate (2/2)

As presented by N. Hutchinson:

New Courses: NURS 535, NURS 536, NURS 537

New Certificate: Graduate Certificate in Clinical Informatics

That the Senate Curriculum Committee approves the new certificate and new courses, as circulated.

Moved: N. Hutchinson Seconded: E. Salzberg Carried.

Discussions

Integrated Renewal Program (IRP) including As presented by J. Iverson.

J. Iverson presented an update on communicating course restrictions to

Course Validation - Communicating Course Restrictions in Workday

students within the academic calendar. Some faculties are adding course restrictions post-Senate approval. All course restrictions should be considered by the Committee, approved by the Senate and included in the Academic Calendar. In some cases, all of the courses within a program are restricted to students in that program, so adding course restrictions for every course would be redundant.

A committee member recommended adding course restriction information at the top of the course code page in the Academic Calendar, and provided the example of COMM. Members of the Committee agreed with this recommendation.

A committee member noted that students typically only look at restrictions in the course schedule while adding courses to a worklist, rather than in the Academic Calendar.

Indigenous Strategic Plan (ISP)

None.

Other Business

- B. Menard provided information to the Committee about the upcoming Triennial Review including an anticipated timeline as well as committee responsibilities.
- J. Iverson gave an update on the project to update the Academic Calendar. The first phase will involve migrating existing information to a new and improved platform. The second phase will involve seeking feedback from "power users" regarding enhanced usability and other functionality.

The first release of the 2023/24 Academic Calendar will now take place in April, whereas there will be no impact on the second release. It was noted that the Registrar will be sending a memo in the coming days regarding this calendar solution.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 from 1-3 pm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:48 pm.