

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday March 15, 2023

Time: 9:00-9:50am

Room: Room 203 Toldo and MS Teams (Hybrid)

Committee Members: John Deukmedjian, Erika Kustra, Maggie Liddle, Diana Marion, James Oloo, Karen Pillon, Jeremy Rawson, Linda Rohr, Maureen Sterling, Lionel Walsh (Chair), Jeremy Worth, Patti Weir.

Absent: Tiripati Bolisetti, Anumita Jain, Debbie Kane, Lauren Pupulin, Manjot Singh, Eric Tanlaka, Lana Yacoub.

Attendance: Lorraine Chandler, Kenneth Ng; Renée Wintermute (University Secretary), Alison Zilli (University Secretariat).

1 Approval of Agenda

Item 4.1 was unstarred.

MOTION: That the agenda be approved.

Jeremy Worth/Jeremy Rawson CARRIED, as amended

2 Minutes of meeting of February 17, 2023

MOTION: That the minutes of February 17, 2023 be approved.

Erika Kustra/Karen Pillon

CARRIED

3 Business Arising from the Minutes Nothing to report.

4 Outstanding Business

*4.1 Biomedical (Graduate) – New Course Proposal (Form D)

(See document PDC230315-4.1 for more details.)

MOTION: That the following course be approved:^
BIOM-8008. Special Topics in Biomedical and Translational Health Science.

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

Patti Weir/John Deukmedjian

AGREED:

- Given that the response appears to rely on the work of the Indigenous Knowledge Keeper for Indigenization and decolonization, it was agreed that the AAU include information specifying what instructors in Biomedical Sciences are currently doing in preparation for engaging with the soon-tobe hired Indigenous Knowledge Keeper.
- Some examples may include: 1) providing the names of instructors who have attended workshops on Indigenization and decolonization (include name of workshop and facilitator); 2) providing information on the type of self-education that individual instructors have embarked upon in this area, etc.

CARRIED, subject to above

5 Reports/New Business

5.1 Honours Biochemistry (Pharmacy Stream) – Major Program Change (Form B)

(See document PDC230315-5.1 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Honours Biochemistry (Pharmacy Stream) be approved.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

Patti Weir/John Deukmedjian

NOTED:

- Given that there has been an increasing demand from students for health-related programs centred on health, this new stream will offer students a prescribed pathway into professional pharmacy programs.
- The stream will be comprised of existing courses that have a strong focus on the pharmacological sciences in chemistry and biochemistry.

AGREED:

■ The proposal requires clarification on a few points, including: 1) that the admission requirements mirror those of the current honours degree; 2) that clarification be provided as to how the designation will be written on the degree parchment/transcript; and 3) that clarification be provided as to whether this is a direct-entry stream for students from high school and/or whether students can transfer into the stream after 1st or 2nd year.

WITHDRAWN

*5.2 Kinesiology (Graduate) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC230315-5.2 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for the Master of Human Kinetics (Applied Human Performance) be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

*CARRIED

*5.3 Psychology (Graduate) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC230315-5.3 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree and program requirements for Master's Degree in Clinical Psychology and Applied Social Psychology be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

*CARRIED

*5.4 Engineering – New Course Proposal (Form D)

(See document PDC230315-5.4 for more details.)

MOTION: That the following courses be approved: GENG-1202. Introductory Electrical and Computer Engineering

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

*CARRIED

*5.5 Engineering – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC230315-5.5 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for Bachelor of Applied Science (all programs and options) (with/without co-op) be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

*CARRIED

*5.6 Business – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC230315-5.6 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Honours Business Administration Programs with Specialization in Supply Chain and Business Analytics be renamed: Honours Business Administration Programs with Specialization in Business Analytics and Supply Chain Management; that all specializations be available to all programs in Business; and that the degree requirements for the Business programs with the Business Analytics and Supply Chain Management specialization, with the Human Resources specialization, and with the International Business specialization be approved in accordance with the program/course change forms.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

*CARRIED

*5.7 Business – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC230315-5.7 for more details.)

The document was received for information.*

*5.8 School of Creative Arts (SoCA) – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC230315-5.8 for more details.)

The document was received for information.*

*5.9 Kinesiology – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC230315-5.9 for more details.)

The document was received for information.*

*5.10 Forensics – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC230315-5.10 for more details.)

The document was received for information.*

6 Other Business

6.1 Cross-listed courses

NOTED:

- A preliminary scan of Universities across Canada has indicated that there are no policies in place to restrict the number of courses that can be cross-listed in the calendar, nor are there any that restrict the number of cross-listed courses that students can take. In all cases, where an undergraduate course is cross-listed with a graduate course, the learning outcomes must differ, with the level of difficulty and depth of knowledge being greater at the graduate level and assessments reflecting these two different levels of expected outcomes.
- Currently there are a number of areas that are cross-listing many of their fourth-year undergraduate

courses with graduate courses.

- The pros of having cross listed undergraduate/graduate courses is that it ensures sufficient course enrolment, creates synergies among different demographics of students, promotes intellectual curiosity, shares responsibility in course delivery, and is financially viable. The cross-listing of undergraduate/graduate courses is being recommended more and more through external quality assurance reviews as a way to provide greater options to students while maintaining efficiencies and program viability.
- However, if students take all of the required courses for a master's degree (although pitched at a lower level) as part of their undergraduate degree, then they will need to attend another University for their graduate education, since the courses will not be transferrable to the graduate degree. This needs to be clear to the students and the department.

AGREED:

• Further discussion on whether a policy or guideline should be developed to address the cross-listing of undergraduate/graduate courses will be brought to APC.

7 Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn.

Debbie Kane/James Oloo

CARRIED