

EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Membership:

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Lisa Randell (a)
Roger Semmens
Joyce Wong

Student Representatives:

Arran Walshe
Sherese Johnson (a)
Gabriel Ratte (a)

Guests:

Susan Smith (notes)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1308 hours.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the following revisions:

- o G) b) Course Title and Description Change - RECR 2260, 2288 deferred to the next meeting
- o K) a) i) and ii) to be presented by G. Krause and not L. Cullen as indicated
- o 5. Information item: Bachelor of Performing Arts update added to the agenda

3. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION:

That the minutes of the Education Council meeting held September 18, 2007 be approved as circulated.

Moved by G. Krause/Seconded by K. Paul
CARRIED

4. CURRICULUM

A) HISTORY

a) **New Course Proposal**

i) HIST 2260 – Environmental History

B. Pendleton noted that this course was created to become part of the Langara Environmental Institute, and is described as an introduction to the main currents of research and writing in the field of environmental history, relevant to contemporary political, social, cultural and economic issues. The topic is likely to attract a wide variety of students both within and beyond the social sciences and humanities.

MOTION:

That the new course *HIST 2260 – Environmental History* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by W. Low
CARRIED

- A) GEOGRAPHY
a) **Program Revision**
i) Associate of Arts Degree

The Geography department seeks approval to add GEOG 2155 to the curriculum listing, to correct an omission in a program revision presented to Education Council in Spring 2006. GEOG 2155 is an existing course.

MOTION:

That the above revision to the Associate of Arts Degree in Geography be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

- B) ABORIGINAL STUDIES
a) **Course Title and Description Change**
i) ABST 1100, 1115, 1116, 1150, 1200, 2120, 2230, 2240

B. Pendleton explained that changes to the Aboriginal Studies program are part of a bigger package, more of which will be presented at the next meeting of Education Council. The Aboriginal Studies department proposes renaming and updating the calendar descriptions of certain courses to broaden their appeal and better reflect the nature of the courses. Proposed course title changes are as follows:

- ABST 1100 The Aboriginal Colonial Experience to *Canadian Aboriginal Experience*.
- ABST 1115 Contemporary Social Issues for Aboriginal People to *Aboriginal Contemporary Issues*
- ABST 1116 The Roles of Aboriginal Women in Canada to *Aboriginal Women in Canada*
- ABST 1150 International Indigenous Perspectives and the Law to *Global Indigenous Perspectives*
- ABST 1200 Aboriginal People and the Criminal Justice System to *Criminal Justice and Aboriginal People*
- ABST 2120 The Canadian Constitution and Aboriginal People to *Canadian Aboriginal Law*
- ABST 2230 Aboriginal Community Development and Sustainability to *Aboriginal Community Development*
- ABST 2240 Aboriginal Urbanisation to *Urban Aboriginal Strategies*

MOTION:

That the course title and description changes for ABST 1100, 1115, 1116, 1150, 1200, 2120, 2230, and 2240 be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

- b) **New Course Proposal**
i) ABST 1104 – Canadian Indian Policy

ABST 1101 and ABST 2209 covered related, and sometimes overlapping, subject matter. The two courses have been combined to create the new ABST 1104, and the original two courses are to be discontinued.

MOTION:

That the new course ABST 1104 – *Canadian Indian Policy* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by R. Semmens

The motion was amended to include a revision to the weighting of course activities in the BCCAT course outline described on p. 43 of the agenda.

CARRIED

D) PSYCHOLOGY

a) **New Program Proposal**

- i) Associate of Arts Degree with a Concentration in Psychology

This program is designed to offer focus and direction to prospective Psychology majors and minors. When successfully completed, the specific and general requirements will prepare students for entry into the third-year level of most university Psychology programs.

MOTION:

That the new program, *Associate of Arts Degree with a Concentration in Psychology*, be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by L. Arnold
CARRIED

E) ANTHROPOLOGY

a) **Course Title Change**

- i) ANTH 1150 – Pacific Northwest Cultural Studies

B. Pendleton noted that the Anthropology department offers a variety of courses with a regional emphasis. For clarity and consistency all such courses will be labeled "*Regional Studies in Anthropology: [Region]*". Thus the department proposes renaming ANTH 1150 "*Regional Studies in Anthropology: Pacific Northwest*".

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the course title change of ANTH 1150 to "*Regional Studies in Anthropology: Pacific Northwest*".

Moved by B. Pendleton /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

L. Cullen turned the chair over to B. Pendleton.

F) BACHELOR OF RECREATION MANAGEMENT

a) **Full Program Proposal**

L. Cullen referred to the Recreation Management Degree proposal explaining that significant changes have been made since the proposal was originally presented to Education Council a year ago. Changes include such things as the repackaging of the program within the 2 + 2 model, and simplifying the residency requirement to a one-week face to face session, allowing admission of students every semester rather than one intake per year. Moving away from the cohort model will allow more flexibility for students. The Recreation Leadership Diploma has also been redesigned, to focus on specific areas separate from the BRM. Other changes involve incorporating a broader range of courses, such as Managing Cultural Programming, based on feedback from the Program Advisory Committee.

MOTION:

That the Full Program Proposal for the Bachelor of Recreation Management program be approved in principle by Education Council.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

G) RECREATION LEADERSHIP DIPLOMA

a) **Discontinued Courses**

- i) RECR 2471, 1188, 2488, 2499

Discontinuation of these courses was described by L. Cullen as a housekeeping measure, following revisions to the Recreation Leadership Diploma program. RECR 2471 is an introduction to marketing, and the needs of students can be met by taking an equivalent course offered through the BBA programs.

RECR 1188 is not essential, as the diploma is reduced to 63 credits. Some of the content of this course will be integrated into the other portfolio courses. RECR 2488 and RECR 2499 have been replaced by RECR 2487 and RECR 2497, as approved by Education Council in November 2006.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the discontinuation of *RECR 2471, 1188, 2488 and 2499.*

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

b) Course Title and Description Change

- i) RECR 2260, 2288

This item was deferred to the next meeting, due to the omission of details in the agenda package.

c) Program Revision

L. Cullen referred to page 148 of the agenda package, noting that the proposed curriculum reduces the total number of credits from 69 to 63, in part to bring the program in line with equivalent diplomas offered in British Columbia. Revisions will add a marketing course, additional options in English and Communications, and delete some HKIN courses previously offered as electives.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the revisions to the Recreation Leadership Diploma program, as presented.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

H) RECREATION

a) Program Revision

- i) Leisure Studies Diploma

RECR 1188 and RECR 2488 have been discontinued and need to be removed from the list. RECR 2488 has been replaced by RECR 2487.

MOTION:

That the above revision to the Leisure Studies Diploma be approved by Education Council.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by W. Low
CARRIED

I) HUMAN KINETICS DIPLOMA

a) Discontinued Courses

- i) HMPF 1131, HMPF 2345, PHED 1117, PHED 1124

L. Cullen described the discontinuation of these courses as a housekeeping measure. HMPF 1131 and 2345 have been replaced with other courses due to UT program revision. PHED 1117 and 1124 have not been offered for some time.

MOTION:

That the proposal to discontinue *HMPF 1131, HMPF 2345, PHED 1117, and PHED 1124* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by K. Pawlak
CARRIED

- J) LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
 - a) **Discontinued Program**
 - i) Library & Information Technology Program Online Option
 - b) **Discontinued Course**
 - i) LIBR 2619 – Field Work for Online Option Students

The Library & Information Technology Collaborative Online Program has been offered jointly through UCFV and Langara. Both institutions have mutually agreed to discontinue their collaboration in the Online Option. The current cohort will finish the program in 200810, and admission to this option will be suspended immediately. Accordingly, LIBR 2619 will no longer be needed and should be discontinued. A transition plan has been put into place to accommodate existing students.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the discontinuation of both the Library & Information Technology Program Online Option and *LIBR 2619 – Field Work for Online Option Students*.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

- c) **Program Revision**
 - i) Library & Information Technology – Flexible Participation Option
 - ii) Library & Information Technology – Curriculum revision

L. Cullen noted the proposed revisions are a continuation of changes listed earlier. Increasing the maximum courses per semester from three to five will allow Flexible Participation students to take courses full time. The second revision involves a slight change in course sequencing to better distribute the material taught in the courses.

MOTION:

That the above revisions to the Library and Information Technology Program be approved by Education Council.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by K. Paul
CARRIED

B. Pendleton returned the chair to L. Cullen.

- K) MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS
 - a) **New Program Proposal**
 - i) Associate of Science Degree – Area of Concentration Mathematics
 - ii) Associate of Arts Degree – Area of Concentration Mathematics

Programs have been developed to meet student demand for associate degrees. Curricula will be composed of existing courses.

MOTION:

That proposals for the *Associate of Science Degree-Area of Concentration Mathematics* and the *Associate of Arts Degree-Area of Concentration Mathematics* be approved by Education Council as presented.

Moved by G. Krause /Seconded by L. Arnold
CARRIED

- L) LANGARA ENVIRONMENT INSTITUTE
- a) **New Program Proposal**
- i) Langara Environment Institute
- ii) Institute

Proposed in accordance with the initiatives of Transforming Langara, this integrated program is an effort to transform Langara into a sustainable centre of learning. Team-teaching, and courses that vary from year to year, will enable study of the environment from different perspectives.

- b) **New Course Proposal**
- i) INST 1101 – Langara Environment Institute

M. Gerson explained that the program will consist of three courses, two of which will be existing English and Geography courses, along with the new HIST 2260. The program will conform to the newly developed “Institute” format, in which courses with a common theme can be packaged to deliver material which focuses on a specific theme or area of study. INST 1101 will be a non-credit shell course for the three regular, university-transferable courses offered in the Langara Environment Institute program.

MOTION:

That the new program proposal and new course proposal for *Langara Environment Institute*, and the new program proposal for *Institute* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by M. Gerson /Seconded by G. Krause

CARRIED

- M) PUBLISHING
- a) **Course Description Change**
- i) PUBL 1230 – Intro to the New Media Publishing
- ii) PUBL 1231 – Intermediate New Media Publishing

Changes to course descriptions will clarify the objectives and learning outcomes of these courses. The original description for PUBL 1230 described a course in which both web publishing and video production were taught; however web production is now taught in a different course. The new course description for PUBL 1231 focuses on website creation using Flash software.

MOTION:

That the description changes for *PUBL 1230 – Intro to the New Media Publishing* and *PUBL 1231 – Intermediate New Media Publishing* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by K. Pawlak /Seconded by R. Semmens

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

L. Arnold announced that the Bachelor of Performing Arts proposal, approved by Education Council last spring, is now posted on the PSIPS (Post-Secondary Institution Proposal System) website.

L. Cullen introduced and welcomed new student representative Arran Walshe.

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

That, there being no other business, the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by M. Gerson

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1400 hours.

The next meeting of Education Council will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2007.