# EDUCATION COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON

## Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 13:00 videoconference

Attendees:		
Antonella Alves (Vice-Chair)	Gerda Krause	Susan Sverdrup-Phillips (a)
Amir Asgarkhani	Tanya Lewis	Mandeep Tuli
Anna Biel	Angelica Lillico-Ouachour	Yusuf Varachia*
Jim Bowers	Tess MacMillan (Chair)	Pablo Vargas (a)
Alena Buis	Robin Macqueen	Ryan Vernon (a)
Arnie Clark*	Wanda Pierson	Peter Warren*
Margaret Heldman	Emily Scarlett	Sunita Wiebe
Brent Kennedy	Richard Smallboy	Lulin Zheng *
Regrets: Patty Aroca-Ouellette, Ryan Vernon, Pablo Vargas		Minutes: Susan Smith
Guests: Patty Aroca-Ouellette, Debbie Schacter, Phuoi-Linh To		*non-voting
		(a) absent

### 1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

T MacMillan called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. and introduced new student member R Smallboy.

## 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

T MacMillan acknowledged that this virtual meeting was hosted on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam First Nation, who have given Langara College the name snaweyał lelam, *house of teachings*.

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/CONSENT AGENDA

The presenter for items 6. A) and B) in the agenda was changed from A Buis to T MacMillan.

#### A) Operational changes

- a) ENGLISH Course Change
  - ENGL 1100 Reading and Writing about Literature
  - ENGL 1123 Introduction to Academic Writing
  - ENGL 1125 Introduction to Linguistics: Contemporary
  - ENGL 1129 Modern Novel, Poetry, and Drama
  - ENGL 1130 Modern Novel, Poetry, and Film
  - ENGL 1181 History of Drama and Theatre I
  - ENGL 1191 History of Drama and Theatre II

As of Fall 2020, students no longer need to complete first-year UT ENGL courses in any particular order. However the revision of prerequisites had neglected to include the successful completion of one UT ENGL course as a prerequisite for the others, which resulted in students who needed an override for their first UT ENGL course needing additional overrides for other UT courses even after successfully completing the first. The above course changes recognize completion of one other (non-equivalent) UT ENGL course as one of the prerequisites for each course.

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### b) MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS – Course Change

### MATH 1120 – Mathematics for Professional Photography

The proposal removes the Math Diagnostic Test (MDT) as a prerequisite, and the note recommending recent completion of Math 10 is changed to *"successful completion of a Math course at the Grade 10 level is strongly recommended."* These changes align with recent updates in the curriculum and learning outcomes, and help support international students.

## c) IDS (WOMEN'S STUDIES) – Course Change

WMST 1230 – Women and Popular Culture

The revision corrects an error that had listed this course as examinable. Final exams are not used in WMST courses nor are they used by the transfer institutions.

IT WAS MOVED by R Macqueen, seconded by A Alves, that the agenda/consent agenda be approved.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 4. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Education Council bylaws (Sec.5), Council members were provided an opportunity to declare a conflict of interest related to any item on the meeting agenda. No conflict was declared by any member in attendance.

### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**IT WAS MOVED** by T Lewis, seconded by A Buis, that the minutes of the meeting held February 15, 2022 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

#### 6. CURRICULUM

T MacMillan turned the chair over to A Alves.

#### A) ENGLISH

a) Program Change

i) Access Langara Citation

The proposal brings this 12-credit program into alignment with Langara's Credential Policy, which requires Citations to have a minimum of 15 credits. This is accomplished by changing the program requirement from "ENGL 1106, ENGL 1120, and three additional credits" to "ENGL 1106, ENGL 1120, and six additional credits." As no students are currently enrolled, no transition plan is needed.

**IT WAS MOVED** by T MacMillan, seconded by T Lewis, that the revised curriculum for the *Citation in Access Langara program* be approved by Education Council.

#### MOTION CARRIED

## b) Global Change

i) Prerequisites for 2000-level ENGL courses

The proposal is intended to make second-year English courses more accessible to students. Currently all 2000-level courses require students to have completed six credits of first-year English. This will be changed to allow completion of just one first-year UT ENGL course with a grade of B or higher, or six credits of first year UT ENGL with a minimum C grade. This will eliminate the need to give overrides to students with just one UT ENGL course, and will also bring all 2000-level English prerequisites into synchronicity. It is recognized that strong first year students can succeed without 6 credits of first year ENGL. This change also aligns with the requirements at other post-secondary institutions.

**IT WAS MOVED** by T MacMillan, seconded by W Pierson, that the global prerequisite change for all 2000-level ENGL courses be approved by Education Council. This change affects the following courses: *ENGL 2100, ENGL* 

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2222, ENGL 2223, ENGL 2224, ENGL 2225, ENGL 2227, ENGL 2230, ENGL 2231, ENGL 2233, ENGL 2234, ENGL 2235, ENGL 2236, ENGL 2237, ENGL 2238, ENGL 2239, ENGL 2246, ENGL 2256, ENGL 2266, ENGL 2276, ENGL 2330, ENGL 2430, ENGL 2530, and ENGL 2630.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

### c) Course Change

i) ENGL 2223 – Survey of English Literature I

ii) ENGL 2224 – Survey of English Literature II

The proposals change the course titles to *English Literature to 1680* and *English Literature from 1680 to 1900* respectively, and revise the calendar description with a note to clarify that the two courses may be taken in any order.

**IT WAS MOVED** by T MacMillan, seconded by T Lewis, that the revised course titles and calendar descriptions in *ENGL 2223* and *ENGL 2224* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

### B) IDS (LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES)

## a) Program Change

i) Citation in Latin American Studies

The proposal adds 3 credits to this credential, which currently has only 12 credits, effective 202230. Langara's Credential Policy requires Citations to have a minimum of 15 credits. Students may choose from a list of elective courses to gain the extra 3 credits. A transition plan is in place for affected students.

IT WAS MOVED by T MacMillan, seconded by W Pierson, that the proposal to change total program credits from 12 to 15 by adding an elective course in the *Citation in Latin American Studies* be approved by Education Council. MOTION CARRIED

A Alves returned the chair to T MacMillan.

#### C) CONTINUING STUDIES

#### a) Discontinued Program

i) CS Extended Learning: Fashion Photo Styling & Production Certificate

This program was never launched and has been formally discontinued effective January 2022 following a review which determined that the potential market is too small to make the program sustainable.

**IT WAS MOVED** by T Lewis, seconded by A Alves, that the discontinuation of the *Continuing Studies Fashion Photo Styling & Production Certificate* be received for information.

## MOTION CARRIED

#### 7. OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMATION

#### A) Memorandum: Correction to Certificate in Film Arts (Writing) Admission Requirements

A Clark explained that when Langara College adopted the English Language Requirement Categories for admission purposes in Spring 2021, the implementation document that was intended to capture all admission requirements for all programs had inadvertently left out the Letter of Intent from the Additional Requirements of the Certificate in Film Arts (Writing). This requirement was not discontinued by the department and has now been restored in the published admission requirements.

**IT WAS MOVED** by R Macqueen, seconded by T Lewis, that the memorandum regarding correction to the *Certificate in Film Arts (Writing) Admission Requirements* be received for information.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

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## B) Correction: Continuing Studies Documentary Film Production Certificate

A program revision that was submitted and approved by Education Council at its September 2021 meeting contained an error on the summary page of the document in which the number of the course being removed from the curriculum did not match that on the Revision Form. The corrected document was submitted for the record.

IT WAS MOVED by A Alves, seconded by W Pierson, that the corrected document for the previously approved revision of the *Continuing Studies Documentary Film Production Certificate* be received for information. MOTION CARRIED

## C) June meeting date and Convocation

T MacMillan and E Scarlett noted that Education Council's June meeting date conflicts with Langara's Convocation Ceremonies, and recommended that the meeting be rescheduled. It was suggested that the meeting be held one week later, on June 28, to avoid affecting the other dates in the submission timeline. T MacMillan will present rescheduling options for decision at the next meeting.

### 8. ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by G Krause, seconded by T Lewis, that the meeting be adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

The meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

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