

EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 13:00
Room B141

Membership:

Antonella Alves (Vice-Chair)
Patricia Aroca-Ouellette
Sam Bawa
Elizabeth Barbeau
Vanessa Brown
Paula Burns*
Ankit Choudhary
Spencer Dane
Sandra Enns
Nora Franzova

Brent Kennedy
Qiyamah Li
Tess MacMillan (Chair)
Pouyan Mahboubi
James Nickason
Wanda Pierson
Garibul Singh
Ann Syme
Sunita Wiebe

Resource*:

Connie Chong
Arnie Clark
Dwayne Ford
Debbie Schachter
Emily Scarlett
Alli Sullivan
Pauline Vallee

Guests*: Chantal Faucher,
Stewart McGillivray

Minutes: Susan Smith*

Regrets: S Dane, S Enns, Q Li, P Mahboubi,
A Syme

*non-voting
absent (ital.)

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME / UPDATE

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 upon declaration of a quorum.

a) Welcome

T MacMillan welcomed guests and introduced new members E Barbeau and J Steele.

a) Election Update

T MacMillan confirmed that the Chair and Vice-Chair had been re-elected by acclamation.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

T MacMillan acknowledged the meeting's location on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam First People, who have given Langara College the name snəwəyət̓ leləm̓, *house of teachings*.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/CONSENT AGENDA

A) Operational changes

a) KINESIOLOGY

i) Course Change

- KINS 2206 – Introduction to Statistics in Kinesiology

The Math Diagnostic Test (MDT) is replaced by the Statistics Diagnostic Test (SDT) in the list of prerequisites.

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

The presenter for Agenda Item A was changed to P Aroca-Ouellette.

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 J Nickason, seconded by V Brown, that the minutes of the meeting of April 23, 2024 be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

6. CURRICULUM

A) STATISTICS and DATA ANALYTICS

a) New Course

- i) STAT 1100 – Introduction to Data Science using R

This is a 3-credit course with 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of lab per week and a science attribute. P Aroca-Ouellette explained that the course was created to articulate with a course offered by UBC which is required for many programs in the Faculty of Science.

IT WAS MOVED by P Aroca-Ouellette, seconded by A Alves, that Education Council approve the new course *STAT 1100 – Introduction to Data Science using R*.

MOTION CARRIED

B) CRIMINAL JUSTICE

a) New Course

- i) CJUS 2418 – Professional Skills and Reporting for Criminal Justice

This 3-credit course will be restricted to students in the Diploma in Criminal Justice and the Diploma in Criminology with prerequisites.

IT WAS MOVED by E Barbeau, seconded by W Pierson, that the new course *CJUS 2418 – Professional Skills and Reporting for Criminal Justice* be approved by Education Council.

C Faucher explained that this course was developed as a result of a recent program review which identified the need for emphasis on teaching skills in communication and analysis in the Criminal Justice program. In CJUS 2418, students will prepare a variety of documents and learn procedures and logical thinking through simulations of the criminal justice process while applying communication skills acquired throughout the program.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Program Change

- i) Diploma in Criminal Justice

Proposed changes are intended to revitalize and better differentiate this program from the department's Criminology Diploma.

IT WAS MOVED by E Barbeau, seconded by W Pierson, that the proposed revisions in the *Diploma in Criminal Justice* be approved by Education Council.

Changes include updating the program learning outcomes to focus on practical skills as well as the writing and communication skills specific to this field. The new CJUS 2418 is added as a required course in the curriculum, and two Physical Education courses (PHED 1112 and PHED 1118) and one Philosophy course (PHIL 1100) are removed, reducing total program credits from 65 to 63. A transition plan is provided for any affected students. It was noted that while most credits are transferable for students wishing to pursue a bachelor degree, most graduates of this program move directly into careers.

MOTION CARRIED

C) LIBRARY and INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

a) Course Change

- i) LIBR 2418 – RDA, MARC Coding & Derived Cataloging
- ii) LIBR 2419 – Fieldwork II

In LIBR 2418, the minimum grade needed for the prerequisite is changed from “C-“ to “C” which is the minimum grade students must achieve in all courses used towards the diploma. The same change is made in LIBR 2419, and LIBR 2411 and LIBR 2418 are added to the list of courses that students may take concurrently with LIBR 2419.

IT WAS MOVED by E Barbeau, seconded by W Pierson, that the prerequisite changes in *LIBR 2418* and *LIBR 2419* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Global Change

- i) Course index coding for LIBR

The code for Library and Information Technology courses had been incorrectly assigned to the Library, rather than LTEC. The global change will correct the error.

IT WAS MOVED by E Barbeau, seconded by W Pierson, that the global change to correct the course index coding for all *LIBR* courses be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

D) PSYCHOLOGY

a) Program Change

- i) Associate of Arts Degree in Psychology

The proposal will change the requirement for students to take 2 electives from a specific set of 6 to allow them to instead take any 6 credits of university-transferable 2nd year Psychology courses. This will increase the number of elective options available to students and allow them to tailor their program to meet the requirements of their transfer institutions. The proposal also updates the program learning outcomes.

IT WAS MOVED by E Barbeau, seconded by A Alves, that the proposed revision in the *Associate of Arts Degree in Psychology* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

E) DESIGN FORMATION

a) Course Change

- i) DSGN 1154 – Material, Process, and Sustainability

The proposal updates the calendar description, formally adds learning outcomes and a description of course content, and adds DSGN 1155 as a prerequisite.

IT WAS MOVED by A Alves, seconded by W Pierson, that the revisions in *DSGN 1154 – Material, Process, and Sustainability* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

F) CONTINUING STUDIES

a) Program Revision

i) Short Certificate in General Business Management – Financial Management

The revision removes the course *GBSC 1005 - Information Management Systems* from the curriculum, aligning the program with similar offerings at other institutions. This reduces the total number of courses from 8 to 7 and total program hours from 200 to 182.

IT WAS MOVED by P Aroca-Ouellette, seconded by J Nickason, that the curriculum revision in the *Short Certificate in General Business Management – Financial Management* be approved by Education Council.

C Chong explained that GBSC 1005 will be retained by Continuing Studies, but is no longer relevant for this program.

MOTION CARRIED

ii) Post Degree Diploma in Supply Chain Logistics

The revision replaces *BSAD 1084 – Financial Accounting 1 Part 1* with *GBSC 1006 – Financial Skills for Managers*, which is a better fit for this program. The total number of program hours will change from 903 to 915.

IT WAS MOVED by P Aroca-Ouellette, seconded by J Nickason, that the curriculum revision in the *Post Degree Diploma in Supply Chain Logistics* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

b) New Micro-Credential

i) Optician Practice Bridging Program

This micro-credential will equip students for successful entry into the field through immersive activities to foster proficiency in using optical equipment for both eyeglass and contact lens dispensing processes. The program offers two courses with a total of 26 hours. The target audience is internationally trained opticians, Canadians with work experience in vision care, and current students graduating from optician programs.

IT WAS MOVED by P Aroca-Ouellette, seconded by W Pierson, that the *Optician Practice Bridging Program* be approved by Education Council.

C Chong noted that this program will address gaps in practicum training identified by regulators and employers.

The potential for Work Integrated Experience was noted.

In response to a concern raised by A Clark, it was recommended that admission requirements be added. C Chong agreed this could be done in time for the next meeting.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

c) Adapted Micro-Credential

i) Management and Leadership Skills

The proposal was withdrawn by C Chong in order to add admission requirements before presenting for approval.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

A) GAC Report

P Vallee presented the report of the Graduation Advisory Committee for the period September 2023 to December 2023, which listed 10 approved substitutions/exemptions, 1 curricular change required, and 8 curricular changes not required.

IT WAS MOVED by W Pierson, seconded by P Aroca-Ouellette, that the *Graduation Advisory Committee report for the period September 2023 to December 2023* be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

B) Education Council Submission Schedule

i) 2024 (revised)

The schedule was revised to reflect the 202520-202620 pause on curriculum implementation. Implementation dates for Education Council meetings scheduled after June 2024 are changed to "TBD" and a note is added to indicate that the estimated implementation date will be Fall 2026 for proposals approved at these meetings.

IT WAS MOVED by W Pierson, seconded by A Alves, that the revised *2024 Education Council Submission Schedule* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

ii) 2025

The implementation dates for all 2025 Education Council meetings is "TBD" and a note is added to indicate that the estimated implementation date will be Fall 2026 for proposals approved at these meetings.

IT WAS MOVED by A Alves, seconded P Aroca-Ouellette, that the *2025 Education Council Submission Schedule* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

It was noted that certain types of proposals will not be affected by the pause and that implementation dates for proposals approved during this time will depend on various factors. Both documents will be updated with a link to a guidelines document to be provided by T MacMillan.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 p.m.