

EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON

Tuesday, November 23, 2010

Membership:

Fraser Archibald*
Jacqueline Bradshaw
Laura Cullen (Chair)
Ryan Erwin
Charlotte French*
Martin Gerson (a)
Rebecca Ha

Margaret Heldman
Gerda Krause
Julie Longo
Wendy Low (Vice-Chair) (a)
Ian McBain
Yvonne Ohara
Brian Pendleton

David Ross*
Emily Scarlett (a)
Roger Semmens
Candy Tran
Joyce Wong

Guests: Tracey Morton

Minutes: Susan Smith

*non-voting

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1300 hours, upon declaration of a quorum.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus with revision:

J. Bradshaw to speak to item 4.A.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2010 be adopted.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by J. Longo
CARRIED

4. CURRICULUM

A) LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

a. New Course Proposal

- i) LIBR 1495 – Special Topics: Enhancing Library Web Pages with Media, Mashups and Social Software

This course was originally taught under the generic Special Topics course code LIBR 1295, and offers specialized training as one of the optional diploma courses. Due to its success, the department would like to formalize the course as *LIBR 1495*, while LIBR 1295 will be maintained as a generic course. Students cannot receive credit for both LIBR 1495 and LIBR 1295 as offered in Spring 2010.

MOTION: That the new course *LIBR 1495 – Special Topics: Enhancing Library Web Pages with Media, Mashups and Social Software* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by J. Bradshaw/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

- ii) LIBR 2595 – Special Topics: Aboriginal Reference Resources and Services

As above, this course was taught successfully under a general Special Topics code (LIBR 1195). A high level of interest has been shown to exist for this course, which surveys the key resources, tools, and services used to support the specialized information needs of Aboriginal libraries, collections and communities.

MOTION: That the new course *LIBR 2595 – Special Topics: Aboriginal Reference Resources and Services* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by J. Bradshaw/Seconded by M. Heldman
CARRIED

b. Course Change

- i) LIBR 3210 – Online Research and Analysis

This course was developed specifically for the BRM. The proposed change would add a note to the calendar to clarify that LIBR 3210 cannot be used to meet diploma requirements in the Library & Information Technology program, as the course contains material that is already covered by other courses in the curriculum.

MOTION: That Education Council approve the addition of the following note in the Langara Calendar:
“Library & Information Technology students cannot use the course to meet program requirements”.

Moved by J. Bradshaw/Seconded by Y. Ohara
CARRIED

B) SOCIOLOGY

a. New Course Proposal

- i) SOCI 2230 – Research Methods in Sociology and Anthropology

A second-year course focusing on research methods is required in the interest of pursuing a Flexible Pre-major Program in Sociology and/or Anthropology. SOCI 2230 will emphasize the practical application of research design and data collection techniques by requiring students to conduct and present their own research projects. Other Langara programs that offer “research methods” have been consulted. The course will be offered in the Spring 2011 semester, and is expected to receive transfer credit with a number of institutions.

MOTION: That the new course *SOCI 2230 – Research Methods in Sociology and Anthropology* be approved by Education Council.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

C) PSYCHOLOGY

a. Course Change

- i) PSYC 2320 – Introduction to Research Methods

This proposal will change the course title to *Research Methods in Psychology*, to clarify the specific discipline and to be consistent in name with other “research methods” courses offered at Langara.

MOTION: That Education Council approve the title change in PSYC 2320 to *Research Methods in Psychology*.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by J. Bradshaw
CARRIED

D) ENGLISH

a. New Course

- i) ENGL 1100 – Reading and Writing about Literature

This course fulfills the new writing requirement under the ASTU initiative at UBC, and will articulate with UBC's new ENG 100 to fulfill the first 3 credits of the new “Writing and Research Requirement” of UBC's Faculty of Arts. Students entering other faculties at UBC or planning to transfer to other institutions should take ENGL 1127 or 1128.

MOTION: That the new course *ENGL 1100 – Reading and Writing about Literature* be approved by Education Council.

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

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by J. Bradshaw
CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1323 hours.

The next meeting of Education Council will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010.