UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE (UPAC) MEETING

Friday, September 26, 2008
9:30 am – Room A225
Abbotsford Campus

MINUTES

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Present: S. Brigden, J. Carroll, B. Cooke, K. Evans, S. Stegmueller

Guests: J. Bishop, Eric Davis, A. Grimson, S. Hardman, H. MacDonald, J. Nolte, B. Salingre, S. Warner

Recorder: M. Castonguay

1. APPROVAL OF UPAC AGENDA

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/B. Cooke**

To approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF UPAC MINUTES

2.1. UPAC Draft Minutes: August 25, 2008

MOTION: **B. Cooke/S. Stegmueller**

To approve the August 25, 2008 minutes as presented.

CARRIED

3. UPAC BUSINESS

3.1. Arts

Change to program: Bachelor of Arts elective requirements

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/J. Carroll**

To approve the inclusion of credits from non-degree programs in the Bachelor of Arts elective requirements.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

3.2. Teacher Education

Change to program: To approve the change in course sequence in the Teacher Education program.

The program will change its course sequence to better benefit from the expertise of its instructors
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MOTION: **K. Evans/J. Carroll**

To approve the amendments to the course sequence in the Teacher Education program, as follows:

EDUC 425 will be moved from the fall to the summer semester
EDUC 445 will be moved from the summer semester to the fall semester
EDUC 442 will be moved from the fall semester to the winter semester
EDUC 448 will be moved from the winter to the fall semester
EDUC 450 will be moved from the early summer semester to the winter semester

CARRIED

Change to program: Admission requirements changes as presented

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/K. Evans**

To approve the changes to the admission requirements in the Teacher Education program, as presented, to reflect the BCCT's recent certification requirement changes, as presented.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

Change to program: change of criteria for admission into TEP

Changes will be made to the written assignment, grade point average, and academic preparation criteria. As this is a change to the academic entrance requirements to the Teacher Education program, the proposal will be presented to Senate for approval.

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/B. Cooke**

To approve the amended criteria for admission into the Teacher Education program as follows:

- The written assignment required of students will be carried out on campus rather than submitted with their application for admission into the Teacher Education program.

- The current calendar copy records the GPA of 2.8 which is equal to a B-, which is incorrect. The admission criteria will state the GPA only and make no reference to grade level.

- In the current criteria for admission, extra admission points could be obtained by applicants with courses in kinesiology/physical education, fine and performing arts, and MATH 205. The amended criteria will read as follows: "Applicants will have preparation in numeracy (MATH 205), and literacy skills. You can further enhance your preparation by taking courses from disciplines such as cultural anthropology, visual arts, music, theatre, sociology, modern languages, kinesiology/physical education, linguistics, etc.".

CARRIED

RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

3.3. Dental Hygiene

Change to program: Continuance statement

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/B. Cooke**

To approve the change to the Dental Hygiene diploma continuance statement so that any student who does not receive the minimum grade (70%) for all courses will be permitted to re-write the final exam for one course, and one course only, during the entire program.

CARRIED

3.4. Communications

New course code: JRNL

Communications proposes course offerings in journalism, prefixed with the JRNL course code, in preparation of a 15-credit journalism certificate.

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/J. Carroll**

To approve Journalism as a new discipline, with course code JRNL.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

3.5. Visual Arts

New program: Indigenous Arts certificate: Honouring Our Gifts

This B level certificate will provide special topics arts courses, with accompanying background knowledge in art history, spirituality, beliefs, and context, as they relate to indigenous arts. The certificate proposal will be approved by the Visual Arts Curriculum Committee. The electives will be approved by the Indigenous Peoples Knowledge Committee.

A covering memo, presenting the rationale for the certificate, is to accompany the proposal and will cover such items as the point system entrance requirements; course themes, which will also be added in the program description; and prerequisite or sequence format, to enable students to take them in order. The proposal outline is to include the program completion length.

MOTION: **K. Evans/S. Stegmueller**

To approve the creation of the Indigenous Arts certificate: Honouring Our Gifts, as presented..

CARRIED

RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

3.6. University Foundation

Change to program: Addition of MUSC 101 and 150 to level two of the University Foundation program

MOTION: **S. Stegmueller/J. Carroll**

To approve the addition of MUSC 101 and MUSC 150 to the University Foundation certificate program, level two, as presented.

CARRIED

4. INFORMATION: APPROVED COURSE OUTLINES

The following courses have been approved according to policy 110.29.

4.1. Art History

Change to prerequisites: AH 340, 341

4.2. Fashion Design

Change to prerequisites: FD 182, 192, 340, 341

4.3. Indigenous Peoples Knowledge

New course: IPK 277: Indigenous Art: Stories and Protocols

4.4. Physics 111

Minor Word Change

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am**.**