

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL

MINUTES - APPROVED

Friday, September 5, 2025 - 1:15 PM - D213

Chair

Michael Hitch

In Person

David Chu, Robin Endelmen, Ali Fotouhi, Harley Gordon, Longlong Huang, Cynthia Loten, Justin Lee, Caroline Majeau, Stan Manu, Stefania Plizzirani, Afia Raja, Declan Roshea, Kristen Switzer, Ben Vanderlei, Natallia Varankovich, Luis DelRio, John B. Acharibasam, Mashhood Arif, Shayne Oberhoffner, Ian Affleck

Virtual

Cherie Enns, Dina Navon, Gillian Mimmack, Jason Thomas, Jenn Barrett, Carolyn Atkins, Jacob Spooner, Sandra Gillespie, Nathan Bialis, Yvonne Dahl, Linus Chang, James Bedard, Olav Lian, Carrie Sims, Debbie Wheeler, Andrew Staal, Don Mayder, Frank Zhang, Trevor Beugeling, Shaun Sun, Vahid Tadayon, Mitra Tabatabaee, Peter Mulhern, Marina Turlakis

Recorder

Alison Reeves

1. WELCOME

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: that Faculty Council approve the Agenda as presented.

1st Ian, 2nd Ben. Approved.

2.2. Approval of the Minutes - May 30, 2025

MOTION: that Faculty Council approve the Minutes as presented.

1st Kristen, 2nd Ian. Approved with corrections.

3. GUESTS

None

4. FOR DECISION

4.1 Bachelor of Science

4.1.1. Entrance Requirement Updates

Discussion: effective Fall 2027, to be published in the calendar in advance

1st Ben, 2nd Kristen. Approved with updates to memo.

4.2 Math Course Changes

4.2.1. Math 111

Update outline from A- to A.

4.2.2. Math 112

Add approval dates.

4.2.3. Math 125

4.2.4. Math 225

4.2.5. Math 355

LO1 missing 'and' to be updated before UEC.

1st Cindy, 2nd Robin. All outlines approved with updates.

5. FOR DISCUSSION

5.1. Option for Early Declaration of Major – Ian

Discussion about pros, cons, foreseeable issues, optional not mandatory

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Monthly reports from the FoS to the Provost can be found at the link below. If you'd like included in the next report, please email Science@ufv.ca.

<https://ufv.ca/science/deans-office/monthly-department-highlights/>

7. REPORTS

Provost Lunch Sept 25 – Stefania to present Indigenization report.
Sept 30 – Truth and Reconciliation Day

8. ADJOURN

Next Meeting: October 3, 2025 @ 1:15 PM D213

Quorum - 14 voting members