



## SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, October 15, 2021 12:00 pm

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

### MINUTES

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- PRESENT:** Deb Jamison (Chair), Mohna Baichoo, Graham Cook, Lara Duke, David Geary, Urmila Jangra, Keith Lam, Pouyan Mahboubi, Brad Martin, Cass Picken, Alisha Samnani, Caroline Soo, Kyle Vuorinen, Dominique Walker, Lydia Watson, Stephen Williams, Recorder Mary Jukich
- REGRETS:** Shahnaz Darayan, Michelle Deines, Annie Prud'homme-Generuex, Ferdos Jamali, Hoda Sedarati, Laureen Styles, Goyal Tushar, Rachel Yu
- GUESTS:** Susan Gardner, Michael Thoma, Mark Vaughan
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#### ***Acknowledgement***

*We respectfully acknowledge the unceded lands of Lil'wat, Musqueam, Sechelt, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh people on whose territories our campuses are located.*

#### **1. Welcome**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

#### **2. Approval of the Agenda**

*Kyle Vuorinen moved and Mohna Baichoo seconded:*

To approve the agenda.

**CARRIED**

#### **3. Approval of the Minutes**

*Caroline Soo moved and Lydia Watson seconded:*

To approve the September 17, 2021 minutes.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. MOPA**

MOPA 409 – Visual Theory and Practice

*Presented by: Michael Thoma*

SCC was requested to approve Cap Core designation under the headings *Experiential* and *Capstone* to MOPA 409 – Visual Theory and Practice.

*Brad Martin moved and Stephen Williams seconded:*

**21/69** Cap Core designation under the headings *Experiential* and *Capstone* to MOPA 409 – Visual Theory and Practice be recommended to Senate for approval.

**CARRIED**



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#### 5. PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 265 – Engaged Philosophical Inquiry as a Way of Life

*Presented by: Susan Gardner*

SCC was requested to approve Cap Core designation under the heading *Self and Society* to PHIL 265 – Engaged Philosophical Inquiry as a Way of Life.

*Keith Lam moved and Alisha Samnani seconded:*

**21/70** Cap Core designation under the heading *Self and Society* to PHIL 265 – Engaged Philosophical Inquiry as a Way of Life be recommended to Senate for approval.

**CARRIED**

#### 6. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Bachelor of Science – General Program Profile

*Presented by: Mark Vaughan*

The Bachelor of Science – General program profile is being revised as a result of the four changes required by DQAB in their Final Report to the Ministry based on the site visit, as follows:

- First-year science requirements should be increased. All students should be required to take introductory lecture-lab courses in biology, chemistry, and physics.
- A basic course in statistics should be required at some point within the first two years of the program.
- A section on soil chemistry and pollution should be included in CHEM 304 (Environmental Chemistry)
- A course dealing with modelling should be a required component of the concentration in Environmental Science due to its relevance.

In order to address the revisions required by DQAB, the following six revisions to the program profile were presented to SCC for approval:



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1. First-year laboratory science requirements revised to include at least one course from each of biology, chemistry, and physics;
2. Three credits of statistics required within first two years;
3. Course content of CHEM 304 Environmental Chemistry revised to include soil chemistry and pollution (Information only);
4. MATH 330 Mathematical Modelling added as a required course for the Environmental Science concentration;
5. INTS 110 – Making Change: Regional Research and Action replaces SCI 100 – Explorations in Science (which is a better cornerstone course).
6. In the line that begins with “Four additional 300 or 400-level designated science courses” under Upper-level Science requirements, adding the words “from within the Faculty of Arts and Sciences.” This change provides additional clarity and also aligns the profile with the BSc Framework.

Further information was provided regarding the BSc Framework and the BSc Policy regarding #2 above: The BSc Framework has specific language in terms of what courses could count towards the 3 credits of MATH or STAT, i.e., “Must include MATH 108 or 116, and 3 additional credits of MATH or STAT courses from the following list MATH 109, MATH 124, MATH 126, MATH 152, STAT 101, STAT 205.” However, the Ministry requested some revisions to the Bachelor of Science – General that were not in alignment with this requirement (required 3 credits of ‘statistics’ rather than STAT). SCC was asked to approve the revisions to the Bachelor of Science – General program profile with the understanding that the program area would bring the BSc Framework back later (most likely in Spring 2022) to address this discrepancy.

*Cass Picken moved and Urmila Jangra seconded:*

**21/71** The revisions to the Bachelor of Science – General program profile be recommended to Senate for approval.

**CARRIED**



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#### 7. INFORMATION ITEMS

- (a) MOPA 409 – Visual Theory and Practice
  - Spring 2022: Calendar Description, Learning Outcomes, Course Content, Method of Delivery and Evaluation Profile
- (b) PHIL 265 – Engaged Philosophical Inquiry as a Way of Life
  - Fall 2022: Learning Outcomes and Course Content
- (c) Bachelor of Science – General
  - From the 2019 approvals; stage 2 degree proposal included for reference in support of the proposed changes the BSc-General program profile
- (d) Continuing Studies Report

#### 8. BUSINESS ITEMS

##### (a) Orientation

Deb Jamison provided the Committee members with the Senate Curriculum Committee orientation, including an overview of membership, mandate and structure, processes, procedures, and resource information.

##### (b) Election of Vice Chair

Members were requested to volunteer to serve as the Vice Chair of the Committee. Lydia Watson indicated that she would be interested and, as there were no further nominations, Lydia Watson was acclaimed as the Vice Chair of SCC.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

**Next Meeting: Friday, November 19, 2021, 12:00 pm**

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