AGENDA

1. Approval of the Agenda
   - Approved as submitted.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 11, 2020
   - Approved as submitted.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes of March 11, 2020
   Items forwarded to Senate April 6, 2020
   - Naming Consultation for a Professorship SCUP 20-10
   - Establishment of the SFU Africa Research Centre SCUP 20-11
   - External Reviews for 2020 – 2021 SCUP 20-12

Open Session

4. Suspension of Admission and Dissolution of the Modelling of Complex Social Systems Graduate Certificate
   Guest: J. Derksen SCUP 20-13

Chair called for questions and comments, hearing none the motion was called.

Motion 1:
“That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the suspension of admission to the Modelling of Complex Social Systems Graduate Certificate, within the Faculties of Applied Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences, Environment, Health Sciences, and Science, effective Fall 2020”.

Moved: J. Derksen
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried
Motion 2:
“That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the dissolution of the Modelling of Complex Social Systems Graduate Certificate, within the Faculties of Applied Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences, Environment, Health Sciences, and Science, effective Fall 2020”.

Moved: J. Derksen
Seconded: A. Parmar

The question was called and the motion Carried

5. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Suspension of Admission to the Latin American Studies Graduate Certificate
Guest: S. Zwagerman  SCUP 20-14

A committee member asked why suspension of admission was stated as Spring 2021 rather than Fall 2020 and recommend modifying to Fall 2020. S. Zwagerman and J. Derksen confirmed Fall 2020 would be acceptable. It was noted that the Fall 2020 Calendar cycle is closed although it is not uncommon to suspend admission and provide this information on the Graduate Studies website prior to it appearing in the calendar. Agreed to modify documents accordingly.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the suspension of admission for Latin American Studies Graduate Certificate within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2020.

Moved: C. Shaw
Seconded: A. Parmar

The question was called and the motion Carried

6. Beedie School of Business: Full Program Proposal Master in Management
Guests: A. Gemino and A. Dastmalchian  SCUP 20-15

There were a few questions from committee members regarding the communication and advertising of the program. A. Gemino explained that the focus will be on the 500+ existing Business Minor students to begin with and then to other SFU students who may want launch their careers by providing them with entrepreneurial skills. A committee member asked whether the program would impact the existing MBA program. A. Gemino explained that this is a unique program, aimed at a different market, those with less than 3 years’ experience and therefore won’t have an impact on MBA program admissions As the program is designed for students with less than 3 years’ experience.

The proposal received positive feedback and many committee members felt the program addressed a gap in practical training for students and would provide opportunity for non-Business students to launch their careers.
Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the full program proposal for a Master in Management within the Beedie School of Business, effective Fall 2021.

Moved: A. Parmar
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried

7. Beedie School of Business: Full Program Proposal Graduate Diploma in Management

Guests: A. Gemino and A. Dastmalchian

A committee member asked whether students could enroll in a graduate program and then move to this program. A. Gemino explained that it was unlikely as most MBA students surveyed would continue with the Masters credential. He also noted that this new diploma program is for students with less than 3 years’ experience and requires a specific set of units and therefore students are unlikely to enroll in another program and then transfer.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the full program proposal for a Graduate Diploma in Management within the Beedie School of Business, effective Fall 2021.

Moved: G. Chapman
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried

8. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology: Name Change of the Film and Video Studies Minor

Guest: C. Lauzon

A committee member asked whether the content had been modified to differentiate it from the Art and Performance Studies Minor, and also asked how students would be notified. C. Lauzon confirmed the content had been modified and changes approved by SCUS. She also explained students would be notified by the SCA advisor of the program change. Students have the choice to graduate under the old or new program name.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the program name change from Film and Video Studies Minor to Cinema Studies Minor in the School for the Contemporary Arts within the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, effective Fall 2020.

Moved: C. Shaw
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried

9. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology: Name Change Art, Performance and Cinema Studies Minor

Guest: C. Lauzon

Chair called for questions and comments, hearing none the motion was called.
Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the program name change from Art, Performance and Cinema Studies Minor to Art and Performance Studies Minor in the School for the Contemporary Arts within the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, effective Fall 2020.

Moved: A. Parmar
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried

10. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Full Program Proposal for a Minor in Indigenous Languages in the Department of Linguistics and First Nations Language Programs

Guests: N. Hedberg and M. Ignace

A committee member asked about students obtaining multiple credentials in one area of study. M. Ignace explained that there is a laddering of credentials and viewed as a good way for students to gain proficiency and build more technical knowledge as they progress. Other questions from committee members included whether there were other types of learners with an interest in linguistics who may want to learn an indigenous language. M. Ignace noted that there is potential to look at other languages on campus.

Committee members expressed happiness with regards to the implementation of the program and commented that the program could be a leader for Indigenous Studies at other universities. Others commented that the program will enable indigenous communities to document, re-learn, and teach their languages.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the Full Program Proposal for the Minor in Indigenous Languages in the Department of Linguistics and the First Nations Languages Program within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Spring 2021.

Moved: T. Bubela
Seconded: P. Tingling

The question was called and the motion Carried

11. Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences: Notice of Intent for Major and Honours in Computational Physics

Guests: B. Frisken and V. Kabanets

A committee member asked a question regarding demand for the program. B. Frisken explained that the program will strengthen physics programs for students as they will have expertise in both physics and computing science. With the addition of computational knowledge, students will have greater career opportunities. There were recommendations from the committee that the full program proposal should illustrate how the program will appeal to students and to highlight the opportunities for students to launch their careers.
Motion:
That SCUP approve the Notice of Intent for the Computational Physics Major and Computational Physics Honours program in the Department of Physics and the School of Computing Science within the Faculty of Science and the Faculty of Applied Sciences.

Moved: G. Chapman
Seconded: C. Shaw

The question was called and the motion Carried

12. Faculty of Environment: Full Program Proposal for Geographic Information Science Minor
Guest: T. Brennand

A committee member commented that this program will really be welcome; it has relevant and useful knowledge in many areas of study. No further questions or comments and motion was called.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the Full Program Proposal for the Geographic Information Science Minor in the Department of Geography within the Faculty of Environment, effective Fall 2021.

Moved: C. Shaw
Seconded: T. Bubela

A committee member asked if Fall 2021 was the earliest this could become effective? No, it could become effective for Spring 2021.
Call to revise the motion to be effective Spring 2021.

Revised Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the Full Program Proposal for the Geographic Information Science Minor in the Department of Geography within the Faculty of Environment, effective Spring 2021.

Moved: C. Shaw
Seconded: T. Bubela

The question was called and the motion Carried

13. Senate Guidelines for External Reviews
Guests: Wade Parkhouse and Glynn Nicholls

W. Parkhouse explained that changes are intended to align the accreditation processes with SFU external reviews to be more efficient for faculties involved. This will be especially efficient for areas with external accreditation such as Science, Business, and Engineering.

Committee members asked questions regarding accreditation, specifically whether internal processes be tailored to those areas not well covered by accreditation. There were also questions regarding the timing of the external reviews as cycle times differ between accreditation and internal reviews. W. Parkhouse explained that the pilot program tool all accreditation criteria and governance structure into account and mapped it to the SFU Review Process to highlight where there was alignment and where there were deficiencies. With regards to the cycle timing, he noted that the intention would be to align on a six-year cycle.
A committee member noted that these new guidelines would become a single action plan for the unit, creating efficiencies and avoiding duplication of efforts, which was welcomed.

Motion:
That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the revised Senate Guidelines for External Reviews of Academic Units.

Moved: T. Bubela
Seconded: T. Leacock

The question was called and the motion Carried


Guest: Jon Driver

J. Driver outlined the information found in this report. This item was received by SCUP for information and will be forwarded to Senate for information.