1. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as presented.

2. Approval of the Minutes of February 7, 2019

There were minor revisions to the minutes. The minutes were approved as amended.

3. Open Discussion

a. Institutional Educational Goals

E. Elle began this discussion, providing background on the committee formed by the Vice-President, Academic and Provost, and its assigned tasks.

The committee’s final report was advisory to the new AVPLT, and will be E. Elle’s responsibility to further develop and implement. E. Elle added that she has consulted with the Deans and SCUTL and is now looking to SCUS for any feedback and ideas – asking “What do we want for SFU? What do those educational goals look like?”

Discussion ensued, with the following comments/feedback/questions:

- What is the goal of the goals at the university level compared to the faculty level and how does that differ?
- External accreditation body has done its work showing that we’re meeting those goals – it’s about being thoughtful and improving SFU’s curriculum over time.
- We do not want to drown in data; is it possible to lessen the workload?
- Ontario institutions are looking at overall credits as a total package and what the institute stands behind – what is SFU prepared to stand behind?
- Vocational skills development is missing; add language around situated learning and use the term “Aspirational Goal”.

Regrets: R. Khan Hemani, K. Nordgren (secretary)
• Concern about producing more data and the implications in 5 – 10 years; danger of adding additional layers of data.

4. New Business

COURSE CHANGES (SCUS 19-13)

The following course changes were approved under delegated authority, with a few editorial changes.

a. Faculty of Applied Sciences

1. School of Computing Science

   (i) Prerequisite change for CMPT 105W, 106, and 373
   (ii) Description change for CMPT 430
   (iii) Title, description and prerequisite change for CMPT 473

b. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

1. School of Criminology

   (i) Deletion of CRIM 449
   (ii) Prerequisite change for CRIM 335

2. Department of Economics

   (i) Deletion of ECON 110, 250 and 300
   (ii) Title, description and prerequisite change for ECON 220W

3. Department of English

   (i) Prerequisite change for ENGL 380

4. Global Asia Program

   (i) Prerequisite change for GA 300, 301, 302, 303 and 401
   (ii) Title and prerequisite change for GA 400

5. Centre for Hellenic Studies

   (i) Deletion of GRK 110, 160, 210 and 260

6. Department of History

   (i) Title change for HIST 130
7. Department of Humanities
   (i) Title and description change for HUM 105, 222, 240, 320 and 330
   (ii) Title change for HUM 385
8. School for International Studies
   (i) Title change for IS 309, 319 and 329
   (ii) Course number, description and prerequisite change for IS 450W
   (iii) B-Soc designations for IS 221/LBST 201
9. Labour Studies Program
   (i) B-Soc designation for LBST 308
10. Department of Linguistics
    (i) Description change for LING 220 and 280
11. Language Training Institute
    (i) Course number, title and description change for ARAB 134
12. Department of Philosophy
    (i) Title and description change for PHIL 120W and 329
13. Department of Political Science
    (i) W designation for POL 200
    (ii) Units and equivalent statement change for POL 200W
    (iii) Deletion of POL 200
    (iv) Units, prerequisite and equivalent statement change for POL 201
14. Department of Sociology and Anthropology
    (i) Description and equivalent statement change for SA 301 and 335
    (ii) Description change for SA 340 and 388

c. Beedie School of Business
    (i) Prerequisite change for BUS 360W and 475
    (ii) Description change for BUS 439

d. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology
1. Publishing Program

(i) Title and description change for PUB 375
2. **School for the Contemporary Arts**

   (i) Description change for CA 131, 230, 231, and 233
   (ii) Prerequisite change for CA 335

3. **School of Communication**

   (i) Title change for CMNS 259
   (ii) Title, description and prerequisite change for CMNS 359

**e. Faculty of Science**

1. **Department of Chemistry**

   (i) Course number and equivalent statement change for CHEM 464

2. **Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry**

   (i) Title and description change for MBB 481, 482 and 483
   (ii) Title, description and prerequisite change for MBB 491
   (iii) Title and description change for MBB 492, 496 and 498

3. **Department of Physics**

   (i) Prerequisite change for PHYS 126 and 485

4. **Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science**

   (i) Description change for ACMA 320, 340, 355, 425, 440 and 455
   (ii) Prerequisite change for STAT 240

**NEW COURSE PROPOSALS**

**a. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences [SCUS 19-14]**

**Motion 1**

It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by S. Poyntz

"that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following new course proposals effective Fall 2019."

**CARRIED**

1. **School of Criminology**

   (i) New Course Proposal: CRIM 406-3, Family Violence and Criminal Justice
2. Department of Economics

(i) New Course Proposals:
- ECON 222-3, Introduction to Game Theory
- ECON 329-3, Experimental Economics
- ECON 370-3, Health Economics
- ECON 422-3, Seminar in Game Theory
- ECON 470-3, Seminar in Health Economics

3. Department of First Nations Studies

(i) New Course Proposal:
- FNST 111-3, Introduction to Participatory Indigenous Research Methods
- FNST 186-3, Coast Salish Studies
- FNST 232-3, Introduction to Ethnoecology in First Nations Studies
- FNST 333-3, Ethnozoology of British Columbia First Nations

4. Department of Gender, Sexuality and Women’s Studies


5. Hellenic Studies

(i) New Course Proposals:
- GRK 191-3, Modern Greek for Beginners Level 1
- GRK 192-3, Modern Greek for Beginners Level 2
- GRK 291-3, Modern Greek Intermediate Level 1
- GRK 292-3, Modern Greek Intermediate Level 2

6. School of International Studies

(i) New Course Proposals:
- IS 105-3, Around the World Through Film with B-Hum and B-Soc designations
- IS 221-3, Workers in the Global Economy: Globalization, Labour and Uneven Development (cross-listed with LBST 201 (B-Soc))
- IS 306-4, State Failure and Reconstruction
- IS 444-4, Inside Diplomacy: A Practitioner’s Perspective

7. Language Training Institute

(i) New Course Proposal: ARAB 101-3, Introduction to Arabic 2

8. Department of Philosophy
(i) New Course Proposal: PHIL 326-3, Topics in Law and Philosophy

b. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (SCUS 19-15)

1. School of Communication

Motion 2
It was moved by S. Poyntz and seconded by S. Spector

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the New Course Proposal: CMNS 355-4, Technologies of Gender and Sexuality effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

c. Faculty of Environment (SCUS 19-16)

1. Department of Geography

Motion 3
It was moved by P. Kingsbury and seconded by K. Oldknow

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the New Course Proposal: GEOG 492-4, Advanced Theory and Methods for Human Geographers effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

d. Faculty of Science (SCUS 19-17)

Motion 4
It was moved by D. Hik and seconded by S. Poyntz

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following New Course Proposals effective Fall 2019.”

12 APPROVED
1 ABSTENTION
MOTION CARRIED

1. Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

(i) New Course Proposal: MBB 343-2, Data Science Laboratory for Molecular Biology and Biochemistry with Q designation

2. Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science

(i) New Course Proposals:
• STAT 260-2, Introductory R for Data Science
• STAT 261-1, Laboratory for Introductory R for Data Science
• STAT 320-2, Introduction to Data Science for the Life Sciences with Q designation
• STAT 360-2, Advanced R for Data Science
• STAT 361-1, Laboratory for Advanced R for Data Science

D. Hik gave an overview of the reorganization of how STAT courses will be offered. Discussion ensued.

C. Murray had concerns regarding the rationale for STAT 260, 261, 360 and 361 and proposed to table these items until consultations between the two faculties, FASS and Science, occur or to revise the language by omitting the last sentence in the first paragraph of the rationale. All agreed to revise the rationale for the STAT courses.

Additionally, approved amendments to add reference to BUS 232 wherever BUEC 232 appeared; and remove brackets as it reads it only applies to POL 201 in the prerequisite and/or corequisite section.

PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS

a. Faculty of Applied Sciences [SCUS 19-18]

1. School of Computing Science

Motion 5
It was moved by K. Oldknow and seconded by D. Hik

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the:
- Changes to the internal transfer criteria for the Computing Science Major and Honours programs
- Changes to the calendar description, admission requirements and the continuation requirements for the Computing Science Second Degree Major program
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Software Systems Major Bachelor of Science program effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

There was brief discussion regarding the use of the terms probation and CRGPA which are both used within FAS’ continuance policies which may be confusing and complicating for students. K. Oldknow agreed to work with S. Birnie on amending the calendar language to make clearer the intent.

b. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences [SCUS 19-19]

Motion 6
It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by K. Oldknow

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following program changes effective Fall 2019.”
1. **School of Criminology**

   (i) Requirement changes to the Forensic Studies Certificate
2. **Department of Economics**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the:
   - Economics Major
   - Economics Honours
   - Business and Economics Joint Major
   - Political Science and Economics Joint Major
   - Business and Economics Joint Honours
   - Economics Minor
   - Economics Extended Minor
   - Post Baccalaureate Diploma programs

3. **Department of First Nations Studies**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the First Nations Studies Major, Minor, Post Baccalaureate Diploma and the Research Certificate programs

4. **Global Asia Program**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Global Asia minor program

5. **Centre for Hellenic Studies**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Hellenic Studies program

6. **Department of History**

   (i) Requirement changes to the History Major and Honours programs

7. **School for International Studies**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the International Studies Major and Honours programs
   (ii) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the World Literature and International Studies Joint Major program
   (iii) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the International Studies Minor program

8. **Department of Philosophy**

   (i) Upper division requirement changes to the Philosophy Major program
   (ii) Requirement changes to the Philosophy Major and Minor – Concentration in Law and Philosophy
   (iii) Upper division requirement changes to the Philosophy Honours program
   (iv) Requirement changes to the Ethics Certificate program
9. **Department of Political Science**

   (i) Lower division requirement changes to the:
   - Political Science Major
   - Political Science Honours
   - French Cohort Program in Public and International Affairs French Major with Political Science Extended Minor
   - French Cohort Program in Public and International Affairs Political Science Major with a French Extended Minor
   - Joint Major Political Science and Economics
   - Joint Major Political Science and Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies
   - Political Science Minor
   - Political Science Extended Minor programs

10. **Department of Sociology & Anthropology**

    (i) Lower division requirement changes for the Sociology Minor program
    (ii) Lower division requirement changes for the Anthropology Minor program

**c. Beedie School of Business [SCUS 19-20]**

**Motion 7**

It was moved by S. Spector and seconded by S. Poyntz

"that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the:
- Requirement changes to the:
  - Business Foundation program
  - Business Joint Major
  - Business Administration Major
  - Business Administration Honours
  - Innovation and Entrepreneurship Certificate
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Business and Economics joint Major effective Fall 2019."

CARRIED

**d. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology [SCUS 19-21]**

1. **School for the Contemporary Arts**

**Motion 8**

It was moved by S. Poyntz and seconded by P. Kingsbury

"that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following:
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Theatre (Production and Design Stream) Honours program
- Upper division requirement changes to the Art, Performance and Cinema Studies Honours program
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Dance Honours and the Visual Art Honours programs
- Requirement changes to the Film Honours program
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Music Honours and the Theatre (Performance Stream) Honours programs
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Communication Minor program
- Upper division requirement changes to the Communication Major program effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

e. Faculty of Education [SCUS 19-22]

Motion 9
It was moved by N. Gajdamaschko and seconded by D. Hik

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Bachelor of Education as a Second Degree program effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

f. Faculty of Environment [SCUS 19-23]

1. Department of Geography

Motion 10
It was moved by P Kingsbury and seconded by C. Murray

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the:
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the BENV Global Environmental Systems program
- Upper and lower division requirement changes to the Geography Honours program effective Fall 2019.”

CARRIED

g. Faculty of Science [SCUS 19-24]

Motion 11
It was moved by D. Hik and seconded by N. Gajdamaschko

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following requirement changes effective Fall 2019.”
1. **Department of Mathematics**

   (i) Upper division requirement changes to the:
   
   - Applied Mathematics Bachelor of Science Honours and Major
   - Mathematics Bachelor of Science Honours and Major
   - Operations Research Bachelor of Science Honours and Major programs

2. **Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science**

   (i) Upper and lower division requirement changes to the STAT honours, major and minor programs

**NEW PROGRAMS**

**a. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences**

1. **School for International Studies (SCUS 19-25)**

   **Motion 12**
   It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by S. Spector

   “that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Full Program Proposal: Certificate in International Studies effective Fall 2019.”

   CARRIED

   There was a suggestion that going forward there be a review of a newly approved credential such as an FPP as it appears we do not review or follow up with programs once new credentials have been created and approved.

2. **Department of Philosophy (SCUS 19-26)**

   **Motion 13**
   It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by S. Spector

   “that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Full Program Proposal: Joint Major in Business, Philosophy and the Law effective Fall 2019.”

   CARRIED

   S. Spector wanted to add to the discussion for Course Modification for BUS 439 regarding the NDA agreement. He explained that the work the students do does stay with the student but they do have to agree to share the outcome with the provider of the data. The outcome could be shared with the class as in class presentations.

**5. Other Business**
S. Birnie asked the SCUS group if there was any interest in reviewing exam hardship specific to midterm examinations. Some students may write up to 3-4 exams within a 24-hour time period and we currently don’t have capability to collect this data since midterms are not scheduled separately. Is there interest to investigate the types of exams in the respective faculties to assess student concerns and improve course exam information on outlines?

W. Parkhouse noted that we don’t have the capability to address this issue, even if we knew the exam dates. He recommended working within departments and faculties.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30
Minutes prepared by R. Balletta