SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES

June 5, 2014 ~ 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Strand Hall – Room 3171


Guest: Rella Ng, Associate Registrar, Information, Records and Registration

1. Approval of the Agenda
Deferral of item 14-18b(i), School of Communication – revised documents were received too late to include in package. This agenda item will be brought forward to the next SCUS meeting.

Motion 1
It was moved by A. Gemino and seconded by E. Park

“that SCUS approve the agenda as amended.”

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of May 1, 2014

Motion 2
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve the minutes of May 1, 2014.”

CARRIED

3. Old Business

a. Faculty of Applied Sciences (SCUS 14-11)

1. School of Computing Science (REVISED SCUS 14-11b)

Motion 3
It was moved by E. Park and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve and recommend to Senate the admission changes to the SFU/ZJU Dual Degree Program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
Motion 4
It was moved by E. Park and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the SFU/ZJU Dual Degree Program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

4. New Business

a. Transcript Redesign (For Information Only)
Rella Ng spoke to this agenda item and explained the key changes proposed for the SFU transcript in order to show clearly and concisely the academic career of an SFU student. Key changes include adding class size and average, adding academic awards, changing the layout to portrait and enhancing the security features. It is anticipated that the new format will be ready late Fall or early 2015. The redesign was well received by all members.

b. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (SCUS 14-18)

1. School for the Contemporary Arts (SCUS 14-18a)

Motion 5
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the Lower Division requirement changes to all music streams and programs (composition, electroacoustic and honours) effective Spring 2015. “

CARRIED

Motion 6
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the title and description change to FPA 390, 393 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

[Department is not precluding students from taking both because of the significant change in technology]

Motion 7
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by J. Pulkingham

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the course deletion of FPA 333 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
Motion 8
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by M. Lechner

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the upper division requirement changes to the Visual Culture and Performance Studies program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

(Department recognizes that SA 245 remains in the Upper Division List)

2. School of Communication [SCUS 14-18b]

Motion 9
It was moved by M. Gotfrit and seconded by J. Pulkingham

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Full Program Proposal for the Undergraduate Joint Major in English and Communication.”

This proposal has not been reviewed by FASS, therefore, this agenda item was deferred until a discussion between the faculties occurs.

DEFERRED

c. Faculty of Science [SCUS 14-19]

1. Department of Physics [SCUS 14-19a]

Motion 10
It was moved by G. Agnes and seconded by J. Pulkingham

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the upper division requirement changes to the Mathematics Physics program and the upper division requirement changes to the Physics Honours program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 11
It was moved by G. Agnes seconded by A. Clapp

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the prerequisite change to PHYS 221 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
2. Department of Mathematics (SCUS 14-19b)

Motion 12
It was moved by G. Agnes and seconded by J. Pulkingham

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the lower division requirement changes to the Mathematics Major, Mathematics Honours, Applied Mathematics Major and Applied Mathematics Honours programs effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

3. Department of Statistics (SCUS 14-19c)

Motion 13
It was moved by G. Agnes and seconded by S. Richmond

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the prerequisite change to STAT 100 and description change to STAT 403 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 14
It was moved by G. Agnes and seconded by S. Richmond

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal for:

- STAT 341-1, Introduction to Statistical Computing and Exploratory Data Analysis – R

CARRIED

G. Agnes explained the miscommunication between the Department of Statistics and the Library with regard to resources. P. Gallilee clarified that if the course is existing, there is no conflict and the agenda item could be approved as presented.

4. Science General (SCUS 14-19d)

Motion 15
It was moved by G. Agnes and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal for:

- SCI 190-3, Special Topics in Science
- SCI 390-3, Special Topics in Science effective Spring 2015.”

DEFERRED
There was much discussion regarding special topics course and the benefits of making them into permanent courses. George tabled this item to further discuss with his department how they should proceed with these Special Topic courses.

d. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (SCUS 14-20)

1. Department of French (SCUS 14-20a)

Motion 16
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Notice of Intent: A Major in French with a Pre-Teacher Education Option.”

DEFERRED

There was much discussion with regard to the title of this degree. There was concern that there was already a Major in French and the distinction between this degree and the existing Major wasn’t clear. Jane explained this degree was created in order to build a much deeper capacity to qualify to teach French. All agreed the title is confusing particularly with the usage of the word option.

It was suggested to change this to be a concentration and not a new degree. Jane agreed to take this back to further discuss with the French Department.

Motion 17
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by E. Park

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Extended Minor in French Studies effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 18
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the description and prerequisite change for FREN 215, 217, 300 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

2. Labour Studies Program (SCUS 14-20b)

Motion 19
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Clapp

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal: LBST 328-3, Labour Geographies effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
3. Department of Linguistics (SCUS 14-20c)

Motion 20
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Linguistics Major and Honours programs effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 21
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the description change to LING 322 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

4. Department of History (SCUS 14-20d)

Motion 22
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by M. Lechner

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the New Course Proposals for:

- HIST 314-4, British and Irish Society since the Mid 18th Century
- HIST 438-4, Problems in the History of the British Empire effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 23
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Gemino

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the deletion of:

- HIST 316, 337
- HIST 209, 330

CARRIED

Motion 24
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the upper division requirement changes to the History Honours program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
5. Department of Economics (SCUS 14-20e)

Motion 25
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the unit change for ECON 305 and 362 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 26
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the upper division requirement changes to the Economics Major and Bachelor of Arts Economics-Business Joint Honours programs effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

6. Department of English (SCUS 14-20f)

Motion 27
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by E. Park

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the title and description change for ENGL 472W effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 28
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Writing and Rhetoric Certificate effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

7. Language Training Institute (SCUS 14-20g)

Motion 29
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposals:

• JAPN 300-3, Intermediate Japanese I
• JAPN 301-3, Intermediate Japanese II effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
8. WQB Designations (SCUS 14-20h)

Motion 30
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by M. Lechner

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the W designations for HIST/IS 209, HIST 330 and 438 and the B-Hum designations for HUM 204, 211, 240, 305, 309, 312W, 322, 331, 332, 340, 350 and 360 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

9. Department of Psychology (SCUS 14-20i)

Motion 31
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by S. Richmond

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposals:
• PSYC 366-3, Psychology and Environmental Sustainability
• PSYC 367-3, Psychological Perspectives on Human Sexuality
• PSYC 389-3, Emotion and Motivation and the course deletion for PSYC 353, 384 and 477 effective Spring 2015”

CARRIED

10. School for International Studies (SCUS 14-20j)

Motion 32
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Clapp

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the lower and upper division requirement changes to the International Studies Major, Honours, Minor and World Literature and International Studies Joint Major programs effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

11. Co-Operative Education (SCUS 14-20k)

Motion 33
It was moved by J. Pulkingham and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to all the Co-operative Education programs in Arts and Social Sciences effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
e. Beedie School of Business (SCUS 14-21)

Motion 34
It was moved by A. Gemino and seconded by E. Park

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Second Degree program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 35
It was moved by A. Gemino and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve and recommend to Senate the admission requirement changes to the Business Minor program effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 36
It was moved by A. Gemino and seconded by M. Gotfrit

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Notice of Intent: Certificate in Entrepreneurship & Innovation.”

CARRIED

f. Faculty of Environment (SCUS 14-22)

1. Department of Archaeology (SCUS 14-22a)

Motion 37
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by M. Gotfrit

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal: ARCH 428-5, Soil Micromorphology effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 38
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by L. Legris

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the prerequisite change to ARCH 349 and the course number and prerequisite change to ARCH 438 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED
Motion 39
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by A. Gemino

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Archaeology Major, Honours, Anthropology and Archaeology Joint Major, Archaeology and First Nations Studies Joint Major, Archaeology Minor, Archaeology Extended minor and the Cultural Resource Management effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 40
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the Q/B-Sci designation for ARCH 285, Archaeological Science effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

2. Department of Geography (SCUS 14-22b)

Motion 41
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by J. Pulkingham

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal: GEOG 328-3, Labour Geographies effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

Motion 42
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by E. Park

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the title and description change to GEOG 440, 440W, the title, description and prerequisite change to GEOG 449 and the prerequisite change to GEOG 455, 457 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

3. School of Resource and Environmental Management (SCUS 14-22c)

Motion 43
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by L. Legris

“That SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the new course proposal: REM 375-3, Ecology and Conservation of Coastal BC effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

There was discussion regarding overlap protocol and it was suggested that the mail list be reviewed and expansion be allowed for additional members (staff support) to be added to the mail list in order for them to be included in the course overlap review process. Jo will follow up.
**Motion 44**
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by E. Park

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the prerequisite changes to REM 200, 412 effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

**Motion 45**
It was moved by A. Clapp and seconded by S. Richmond

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Notice of Intent: Minor Degree in Resource and Environmental Management.”

CARRIED

**g. Faculty of Education (SCUS 14-23)**

**Motion 46**
It was moved by S. Richmond and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the description and prerequisite change to EDUC 428W effective Spring 2015.”

CARRIED

**h. International Services for Students (ISS) (SCUS 14-24)**

**Motion 47**
It was moved by L. Legris and seconded by A. Gemino

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the criteria changes to the SFU Exchange Program – Outbound Undergraduate Students.”

DEFERRED

The Chair suggested deferring this item to a future SCUS meeting when Lindsay Neilson could be present to answer any questions the members may have. Questions were raised regarding consistent GPA across departments and whether or not the proposal was weakening the program. This item was deferred.

**5. Other Business**

1. **Different Type of Course/Semester Scheduling Model – Japreet Lehal**

There was some discussion regarding the pros and cons of this type of schooling. All agreed that Quest is a significantly different school and this model wouldn’t work within SFU due to size of the university. Library Resources was another concern the members had when comparing to this type of learning and education and the difficulty for transfer students coming from Quest. G. Myers to convey our discussion to J. Lehal.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm                        Minutes prepared by R. Balletta