

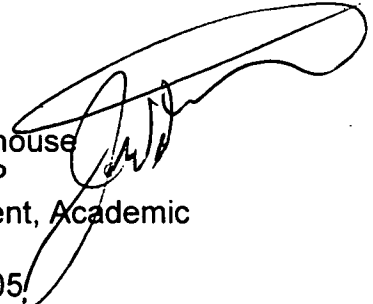
SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
Senate Committee on University Priorities
Memorandum

TO: Senate

FROM: John Waterhouse
Chair, SCUP
Vice President, Academic

RE: Senate Committee on University
Priorities Annual Report 2004/2005
(SCUP 05-042)

DATE: April 22, 2005



For Information:

On behalf of the Senate Committee on University Priorities (SCUP) I would like to submit to Senate for information the SCUP Annual Report for the period April 2004 to March 2005. SCUP reviewed and approved the document at its April 20, 2005 meeting.

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**Senate Committee on University Priorities
(SCUP)**

ANNUAL REPORT

For the period of April, 2004 – March, 2005

I. Principal Responsibilities

The principal responsibilities of SCUP include:

- The operation of the system of academic planning;
- To recommend the priorities that should be attached to the central allocation of resources required to implement approved new programs and strengthen existing programs;
- To review and approve letters of intent and full program proposals for submission to the provincial degree program approval process;
- To consider and make recommendations to Senate on proposals for new undergraduate and graduate programs and the discontinuance of programs;
- To be responsible for the operation of the system of external review of academic units;
- To receive and review recommendations for the establishment and disestablishment of academic departments, research units, centres and institutes;
- To provide advice to the President on the annual operating budget, annual capital budget and Five Year Capital Plan.

II. Meetings Held

2004

- April 7, 2004
- April 21, 2004
- May 12, 2004
- No meeting held in June, 2004
- July 7, 2004
- July 21, 2004
- No meeting held in August, 2004
- September 8, 2004
- October 6, 2004
- November 3, 2004
- December 1, 2004
- December 15, 2004

2005

- January 12, 2005
- January 26, 2005
- February 9, 2005
- March 9, 2005
- March 23, 2005

III. Academic Planning

In relation to its academic planning responsibilities, SCUP was provided with the following documents for information:

- Institutional Service Plan 2004/05 to 2006/07 (April 7, 2004)
- Three Year Academic Plan (May 12, 2004)
- Great Northern Way Campus Strategic Academic Plan (July 21, 2004)
- Final Report of the Surrey Ad Hoc Steering Committee (February 9, 2005)

In relation to its academic planning responsibilities, SCUP approved the following:

- Revised Governance Structure for Surrey and Vancouver Campuses (October 6, November 3, 2004)

IV. Programs Approved for Further Planning

SCUP considered and approved the following programs for further planning:

- Graduate Programs in Educational Technology and Learning Design (May 12, 2004)
- Masters of Science in Population and Public Health (July 21, 2004)
- Joint Major in First Nations Studies and Archaeology (November 3, 2004)
- Graduate Programs in the School for Interactive Arts and Technology (December 15, 2004)
- New Minor and Post Baccalaureate Program in Legal Studies (January 26, 2005)
- Major in International Studies (March 17, 2004)
- Bachelor of Arts in Health Sciences (March 9, 2005)

V. New and Revised Programs

SCUP considered and approved the following new programs:

- PhD in Business Administration (November 3, 2004)
- Minor in Mathematics Education (December 1, 2004)
- Masters of Arts in Computing Arts and Design Sciences (December 15, 2004)

- Masters of Science in Computing Arts and Design Sciences (December 15, 2005)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Computing Arts and Design Sciences (December 15, 2005)
- Dual Degree Program in China (Computing Science) (January 12, 2005)
- Masters of Urban Studies (January 12, 2005)
- Masters of Business Administration in Global Asset and Wealth Management (January 12, 2005)
- Graduate Certificate in Development Studies (January 12, 2005)
- Joint Major in First Nations Studies and Archaeology (January 12, 2005)
- Joint Honors Program in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry and Business Administration (February 9, 2005)
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Environmental Education (February 9, 2005)
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Special Education for Educators and Healthcare Professionals (February 9, 2005)
- Minor in International and Global Education (February 9, 2005)
- Certificate Program in Italian Studies (November 3, 2004, February 21, 2005)
- Masters of Education in Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language (March 9, 2005)
- Major, Honors and Minor Program in International Studies (March 9, 2005)
- Bachelor of Arts, Major or Honors, in Interactive Arts and Technology (March 23, 2005)
- Bachelor of Science, Major or Honors, in Interactive Arts and Technology (March 23, 2005)

SCUP reviewed the following program revisions:

- Masters of Science Program in the Department of Mathematics (January 12, 2005)
- Masters of Science Program in the School of Kinesiology (January 12, 2005)

SCUP received the following proposals for information only:

- Cohort Special Arrangement Program in Health Sciences (December 15, 2004)
- Cohort Special Arrangements, Master of Arts in Financial Risk Management (March 9, 2005)
- Cohort Special Arrangements, Master of Arts in International Leadership (March 9, 2005)

VI. External Reviews

SCUP received external review reports and comments and developed recommendations for priority action items in relation to the following external reviews:

- Department of Earth Sciences (September 8, October 6, 2004)
- Secwepemc Cultural Education Society Program (SCES) (December 1, 2004)
- School of Kinesiology (January 26, February 9, 2005)
- Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry (January 26, February 9, 2005)

SCUP received update reports from eight previous external reviews:

- Department of Linguistics (December 1, 2004)
- Latin American Studies Program (December 15, 2004)
- Department of Chemistry (March 23, 2005)
- Department of Philosophy (March 23, 2005)
- Department of Psychology (March 23, 2005)
- Department of Women's Studies (March 23, 2005)
- Faculty of Education (March 23, 2005)
- School of Criminology (March 23, 2005)

SCUP received external review reports and comments for information only:

- Library (July 7, 2004)

VII. Centres and Institutes

SCUP approved the establishment of the following Centres or Institutes:

- Centre for International Studies (April 21, 2004)
- Institute for Critical Studies in Gender and Health (December 1, 2004)
- Interdisciplinary Research in the Mathematical and Computational Sciences Centre (IRMACS) (December 15, 2004)
- Institute for Research on Early Education and Child Health (March 23, 2005)
- 4D Labs (March 23, 2005)

SCUP approved the dissolution of the following Centres or Institutes:

- Research Institute for Southeastern Europe (April 21, 2004)
- Centre for Systems Science (CSS) Dissolution (July 7, 2004)

VIII. Budget and Financial Issues

SCUP received regular updates as well as various documents in order to gain a familiarity with the operating and capital budget issues at the University and to enable it to discharge its advisory responsibilities.

Documents received for information:

- 2004/2005 Operating Budget Model (April 7, 2004)
- Financial Statements for the Year Ended March 31, 2004 (October 6, 2004)
- Financial Position – Year to July 04/05 (October 6, 2004)
- 2005/2006 Budget Consultations (January 26, 2005)

After a review of the available information in relation to the 2005/06 University Budget proposal, SCUP provided its advice to the President.

IX. Establishment of Committees

SCUP considered and approved the establishment of the following committees:

- Surrey Vancouver Management Committee (November 3, 2004)
- SFU Surrey Coordinating Committee (November 3, 2004)
- SFU Vancouver Coordinating Committee (November 3, 2004)

X. Establishment of Chairs and Professorships

SCUP considered and approved terms of reference for the following Chairs and Professorships:

- Farley Professorship Terms of Reference (July 7, 2004)
- J.S. Woodsworth Chair Terms of Reference (July 7, 2004)
- Burnaby Mountain University Professorships Terms of Reference (July 7, 2004)
- Tom Buell BC Leadership Chair in Salmon Conservation and Management Terms of Reference (December 15, 2004)
- RBC Financial Professor in Technology and Innovation Terms of Reference (December 15, 2004)

XI. Other Matters Considered by SCUP

SCUP also considered and approved the following documents and reports during its meetings:

- Undergraduate Curriculum Implementation Task Force Recommendations (April 21, 2004)

XII. Committee Memberships

April 2004 – May 2004

J. Waterhouse (Chair), B. Clayman, B. Krane, L. Copeland, A. Horvath, B. Lewis, G. Mauser, P. Percival, J. Peters, J. Pierce, D. Weeks, J. Wong, C. Giacomantonio, T. Kalanj, T. Gregory, V. Dunsterville, W. Wattamaniuk, G. Nicholls.

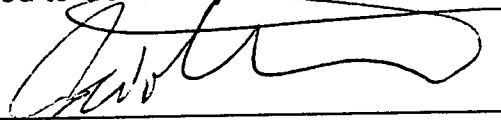
June 2004 – August 2004

J. Waterhouse (Chair), B. Clayman, B. Krane, I. Gordon, R. Heath, A. Horvath, B. Lewis, P. Percival, M. Plischke, P. Shaker, D. Weeks, R. Woodbury, B. Walters, E. Johanson, J. Wong, B. Walters, V. Dunsterville, W. Wattamaniuk, G. Nicholls.

September 2004 – March 2005

J. Waterhouse (Chair), M. Pinto, B. Krane, C. Dean (FHS rep added October, 2004), I. Gordon, R. Heath, A. Horvath, B. Lewis, P. Percival, M. Plischke, P. Shaker, D. Weeks, R. Woodbury, D. Harder (Student rep added to balance FHS rep January, 2005), E. Johanson, J. Wong, S. Hunsdale (replaced B. Walters November, 2004), V. Dunsterville, W. Wattamaniuk, G. Nicholls.

Submitted to Senate by:



John Waterhouse
Chair, Senate Committee on University Priorities