

SENATE SUMMARY

MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2012

1. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

SFU received the evaluation report from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). The Chair reported that it was very positive and that some of the recommendations have already been implemented. The President and Vice President Academic will be meeting with the NWCCU later in the week to respond to any questions and concerns.

2. Dream Colloquium

The application process for the Dream Colloquium resulted in two proposals being accepted for this coming year. Each colloquium will bring six speakers to the university which will create a program for graduate students and a speaker series for the university. Appreciation was expressed to those who collaborated across faculties to produce the two proposals.

3. Student Discipline Matter Annual Report (S.12-1)

Senate received the 2010-2011 annual report on student discipline matters.

4. Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries Annual Report (S.12-2)

Senate received the 2010-2011 annual report for the Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries.

5. New School: Mechatronic Systems Engineering (S.12-3)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the proposal to establish the School of Mechatronic Systems Engineering within the Faculty of Applied Science effective July 2012.

6. Change of Degree Name: Master of Financial Risk Management to Master of Science in Finance (S.12-4)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the change of degree name from Master of Financial Risk Management to Master of Science in Finance, within the Beedie School of Business effective January 2012.

7. Suspension and Dissolution of Mathematical Sciences Specialization (S.12-5)

Senate approved the suspension of admission to the Mathematical Sciences Specialization program within the Faculty of Education effective May 2012. Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the dissolution of the Mathematical Sciences Specialization program within the Faculty of Education effective May 2012.

8. **Suspension of Admission to the Major in Latin American Studies (S.12-6)**
Senate approved the suspension of admission to the major in Latin American Studies within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences effective May 2012.
9. **External Review Report of the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology (S.12-7)**
Senate approved the action plan for the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology that resulted from its external review.
10. **External Review Report of the Department of Economics (S.12-8)**
Senate approved the action plan for the Department of Economics that resulted from its external review.
11. **Centre and Institute Report 2010/2011 (S.12-9)**
Senate received the Centre and Institute Report 2010/2011 for information.
12. **Centres and Institutes Renewal Applications (S.12-10)**
Senate received the Centres and Institutes Renewal Applications for information.
13. **SFU Library Strategic Research Plan 2011 – 2016 and SFU Library Annual Report 2010 – 2011 (S.12-11)**
Senate received the SFU Library strategic research plan for 2011 to 2016 and the SFU Library annual report for 2010 to 2011 for information.
14. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Applied Sciences (S.12-12)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:
 - a) ***Engineering Science***
 - Course (title/description/prerequisite): ENSC 474
15. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (S.12-13)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:
 - a) ***Communication***
 - Course (deleted): CMNS 130W
 - Courses (prerequisite/description): CMNS 304, CMNS 304W, CMNS 323, CMNS 323W
 - Course (new): CMNS 349
 - b) ***Publishing Program***
 - Courses (new): PUB 438, PUB 480, PUB 483, PUB 484

- c) ***Contemporary Arts***
 - Program: admission requirements for Visual Art major and honours
 - Course (description, prerequisite): FPA 136, FPA 137, FPA 171, FPA 228W, FPA 235, FPA 310, FPA 312, FPA 314, FPA 339
- d) ***Interactive Art and Technology***
 - Courses (prerequisite/title/description): IAT 202, IAT 333, IAT 340

16. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Environment (S.12-14)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:

- a) ***Archaeology***
 - Program: requirement changes for the major and honours program
 - Program: requirements and option course list for CRM Certificate
- b) ***Environment***
 - Course (new): ENV 222
- c) ***Environmental Science Program***
 - Program: status of four new concentrations
- d) ***Geography***
 - Course (prerequisite): GEOG 389W
- e) ***Resource and Environmental Management***
 - Course (new): REM 350 (effective Spring 2013)

17. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Health Sciences (S.12-15)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:

- a) ***Health Sciences***
 - Programs: BA and BSc major and honours; BSc with Population and Quantitative Health Sciences concentration; BSc with Life Sciences concentration

18. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Science (S.12-16)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:

- a) ***Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology***
 - Program: requirement change to major and honours program
 - Program: admission change for the honours program
- b) ***Chemistry***
 - Course (prerequisite): CHEM 452

c) *Earth Sciences*

- Courses (prerequisite): EASC 204, EASC 405, EASC 410, EASC 416

d) *General Science*

- Program: requirement change to double minor program

e) *Mathematics*

- Program: name change for Industrial Mathematics to Operations Research in the major and honours programs
- Program: deletion of options from the Industrial Mathematics major and honours
- Program: upper, lower and interdisciplinary requirements
- Courses (title): MATH 157, MATH 158
- Courses (delete): MATH 208, MATH 370

19. General Graduate Regulations (S.12-17 to S.12-23)

Senate approved the following motions for General Graduate Regulations:

- The revision to GGR 1.3.2 which outlines the criteria for admission to a graduate diploma program.
- The addition of GGR 1.3.2.a which outlines the criteria for admission to a graduate certificate program.
- The revision of GGR 1.3.3 which outlines the criteria for admission to a master's program.
- The revision to GGR 1.3.4 which outlines the criteria for admission to a doctoral program.
- The addition of GGR 1.3.8.a which outlines the criteria for admission to a Concurrent Bachelor's-Master's program.
- The addition of GGR 1.3.11.a which outlines the application to complete a non-joint concurrent graduate degree.
- The revision of GGR 1.7.6.

20. SFU Exchange Programs (S.12-24)

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the eligibility requirements for SFU graduate students to participate in exchange programs.

21. Graduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Education (S.12-25)

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2012:

a) *Languages, Cultures and Literacies (Doctor of Philosophy)*

- Program: replace EDUC 866 with EDUC 867
- Course (description, grading): EDUC 809

22. Academic Dates 2012 – 2015 (S.12-26)

It was agreed by Senate that the motion be withdrawn and resubmitted at a future meeting to allow for a thorough review and confirmation of the dates.

23. Senate Nominating Committee (S.12-27)

A revised Senate paper distributed prior to the start of the meeting showed a position that was elected by acclamation and vacancies that would be carried forward to the next Senate meeting.

The approved Senate minutes will be available online following the next Senate meeting. For more detailed information on each Senate item, please refer to the January 2012 Senate documents at

<https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-16794>

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