

MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION: Senate

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FROM: Peter Keller, Vice-President, Academic and Provost, and Chair, SCUP



RE: SCUP Annual Report for 2018-2019 (SCUP 19-18)

DATE: April 26, 2019

TIME

At its April 17, 2019 meeting, SCUP reviewed for information the SCUP Annual Report for the period of April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019. The report is attached for the information of Senate.

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

ANNUAL REPORT

For the period of April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019

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 notices 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

- April 25, 2018
- May 16, 2018
- October 10, 2018
- October 24, 2018
- November 21, 2018
- December 5, 2018
- February 6, 2019
- March 13, 2019

III. Academic Planning

In relation to academic planning responsibilities, SCUP received for information the following:

- Academic Plan 2019-2024 (December 5, 2018)

IV. Proposed Programs Approved for Further Planning

SCUP considered and approved the following program proposals for further planning:

- Joint Major in Business, Philosophy and the Law (April 25, 2018)

- Certificate in International Studies (April 25, 2018)
- MAsc and PhD in Sustainable Energy Engineering (April 25, 2018)
- Certificate in Creative Technologies (November 21, 2018)

V. New and Revised Programs

SCUP considered, approved, and recommended to Senate the following new programs:

- Undergraduate Diploma in First Nations Language Proficiency (April 25, 2018)
- Master of Arts in Heritage Resource Management (October 10, 2018)
- Graduate Certificate in Heritage Resource Management (October 10, 2018)
- Master of Engineering in Mechatronic Product Realization (October 10, 2018)
- Master of Applied Science in Sustainable Energy Engineering (October 10, 2018)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Sustainable Energy Engineering (October 10, 2018)
- Cohort Special Arrangements – Graduate Certificate in Accounting with Digital Analytics (October 10, 2018)
- Cohort Special Arrangements – Master of Science in Accounting with Cognitive Analytics (October 10, 2018)
- Joint Major in Business, Philosophy and the Law (March 13, 2019)

VI. Program Suspensions and Dissolutions

SCUP considered, approved and recommended to Senate the following suspensions of admission, and program dissolutions:

- Graduate Certificate in Neuroscience (suspension and dissolution October 24, 2018)
- Linguistics Minor Program (suspension November 21, 2018)
- Certificate in Liberal Arts (suspension November 21, 2018)
- Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Specialty Major and Honours Programs (suspension November 21, 2018)
- Latin American Studies Master of Arts (dissolution December 5, 2018)
- English and French Literatures (Joint) Master of Arts (suspension and dissolution December 5, 2018)
- Geography Extended Minor Program (suspension February 6, 2019)

VII. External Reviews

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

- School of Mechatronic Systems Engineering (April 25, 2018)
- Library External Review (for information – April 25, 2018)
- Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology (October 10, 2018)
- Department of Economics (October 24, 2018)
- Department of Earth Sciences (December 5, 2018)

External review mid-cycle reports were received from the following academic units:

- Department of French (April 25, 2018)
- Environmental Science Program (December 5, 2018)
- Department of Psychology (December 5, 2018)
- Department of Gerontology (December 5, 2018)
- Department of Humanities (February 6, 2019)
- Department of Political Science (February 6, 2019)

VIII. Centres and Institutes

SCUP approved and recommended to Senate the establishment of the following Centres or Institutes:

- SFU Morgan Centre for Labour Research (December 5, 2018)

SCUP approved the renewal of the following Centres or Institutes for a five-year term (October 24, 2018):

- Bill Reid Centre for Northwest Coast Art Studies
- Centre for Comparative Muslim Studies
- Centre for the Study of Educational Leadership and Policy
- Centre for Applied Research in Mental Health and Addiction
- Children's Health Policy Centre
- David Wheeler Institute for Research in Mathematics Education
- Centre for Imaginative Education
- International Centre of Art for Social Change
- Centre for Forensic Research
- Centre for Education Research and Policy

SCUP approved the dissolution of the following Centres or Institutes:

- Community Health Solutions as a Research Institute (October 24, 2018)
- Interaction Design Research Centre (October 24, 2018)

SCUP considered the following document for information:

- Centres and Institutes Report 2017/18 (October 24, 2018)

IX. Budget and Financial Issues

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

Documents received for information:

- 2019/20 Budget Consultation (October 24, 2018 and March 13, 2019)

X. Establishment of Committees

No committees were established in this reporting year.

XI. Establishment of Chairs and Professorships

SCUP was consulted on and/or considered the naming of or revisions to the name of a Chair and/or Professorship:

- Renaming of a Professorship (closed session February 6, 2019)

XII. Other Matters Considered by SCUP

SCUP was consulted on, and/or considered, approved and recommended to Senate the following:

- Establishment of the School of Environmental Science (May 16, 2018)
- Name Change for the Certificate in Labour Studies (November 21, 2018)
- Name Change of the Geography Major and of the Certificate in Spatial Information Systems (February 6, 2019)
- SFU Strategic Review (February 6, 2019)
- Naming of space (closed session March 13, 2019)
- Program Name Change for the Master of Arts in Comparative Media Arts (March 13, 2019)
- Updated Policy R20.01 (Ethics Review of Research Involving Human Participants) (March 13, 2019)
- Establishment of the School of Sustainable Energy Engineering (March 13, 2019)

XIII. Committee Memberships

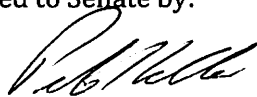
April 2018 – May 2018

P. Keller (Chair)	W. Parkhouse	G. Bird	T. Brennand
T. Budd	G. Chapman	A. Dastmalchian	J. Derksen
R. Garcha	J. Johnson	R. Khan Hemani	D. Laitsch
T. Leacock	A. Mac Namara	A. Moens	Z. Naqvi
M. Roman	J. Scott	C. Shaw	A. Singh
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June 2018 – March 2019

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Submitted to Senate by:



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