

**Minutes of a meeting of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee
held on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 2:30 p.m. in Maggie Benston Centre 2212**

Present:

Wade Parkhouse, Chair

Mary Ann Pope, Director, Records
(Recording Secretary for the meeting)

Rob Cameron

Paul Budra

Ed Bukszar

Tom Calvert

Heesoon Bai

Wolfgang Haider

Michel Joffre (for Craig Janes)

Regrets:

George Agnes

Gwen Bird

Derek Bingham

Christi Garneau-Scott

Sheilagh MacDonald, Secretary

Christina Bielek

David Pereira

1. **Approval of agenda** – approved.
2. **Approval of minutes of June 14, 2010** – Carried.
3. **Chair's Report** – none.
4. **For Discussion:**

4.1 Proposed Process for Reviewing and Approving New Graduate Programming

Discussion – GSS wants time to take proposals to their membership. 50% of universities send programs out for external review, 50% do not. Desire is to streamline the process – reduce the number of reviewers from 6 to 3.

4.2 Triagency CAGS Professional Skills for New Researchers

Discussion of existing resources, whether or not a professional skill set could be taught as a co-curricular program, ex. Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning, or extra-curricular. Discussion of possible fees and how these might be administered. Discussion as to the extent of faculty involvement given differences in resources from one unit to the other.

4.3 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Education

[GS2010.17]

a. Department of History

i). New course:

HIST 872-4 The City in History

Motion: Move to approve new course.

(P. Budra/R. Cameron)

(Unanimous)

Motion Carried

b.Urban Studies Program

1. Program Change:

- i) Change of Master's capstone requirement from Research Project to Thesis

2. Minor course changes associated with program change:

- i) Change of title associated with program change: URB 697-4 Thesis
- ii) Change of title associated with program change: URB 699-2 Thesis Completion

Concerns were expressed re the potential fee implications and the thesis completion course.

Motion: Move to approve.

(P. Budra/D. Pereira)

Motion Carried

4.4 Faculty of Business Administration

[GS2010.18]

MBA Program

- i) Change to Program Requirements - Add Strategic Management as an elective
- ii) Change to catalog number, description, prerequisites: BUS 718-4 Strategic Management

Motion: Move to approve.

(E. Bukszar/P. Budra)

(Unanimous)

Motion Carried

4.5 Faculty of Health Sciences

[GS2010.19]

Master of Public Health Program:

1. Program Changes:

- i) Changes to Program Requirements: Increase to total number of units

2.Minor Course changes associated with Program Changes:

- i) Change of units: HSCI 803-4 Qualitative and Survey Research Methods
- ii) Change of units and title: HSCI 900-0 MPH Seminars

3. Program change to Global Health Concentration

- i) Add to Electives: Remove from required courses: HSCI 822-3 Globalization and Health Inequities
- ii) Added to required courses: Remove from electives: HSCI 870-3 Global Health and International Affairs

Motion: Move to approve.

(M. Joffres/E. Bukszar)

Motion Carried

5. Items for information- minor course changes previously approved

5.1 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

[GS2010.17]

a.Department of Gerontology

- i) Change to Title and Description: GERO 830-4 Aging in a Technological World
- ii) Change to Title: GERO 898-6 MA Project
- iii) Change to Title: GERO 899-6 MA Thesis
- iv) Change to wording of elective requirements – clarification for new web-based calendar

5.2 Faculty of Health Sciences

[GS2010.19]

Master of Public Health Program

- i) Change to Title: HSCI 825-3 Advocacy and Communication
- ii) Change to Title: HSCI 826-3 Program Planning and Evaluation
- iii) Change to Title and Description: HSCI 901-1 Public Health Practice

6. Other Business

- Thesis requirements – the number of courses and the credit hours vary widely. There is a need for standardization. Discussion followed.

7. Next scheduled meeting **September 13, 2010** (material deadline –**August 30, 2010**)