

Meeting minutes of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC)
held on June 8, 2015 in the Thesis Defence Room, SFU Library

Present:

Ex-Officio:

George Agnes (Acting Chair)
Abhishek Nanjundappa (GSS)
Mary Ann Pope (Director, Records)
Shelley Gair (Program Policy, Curriculum)
Krista Gerlich-Fitzgerald (Secretary)

Faculty Chairs:

Uwe Glässer (FAS)
Martin Andresen (Designate for FASS)
Zoë Druick (FCAT)
Phil Winne (EDUC)
Sean Markey (FENV)
Margo Moore (Designate for FHS)
Peter Ruben (Designate for SCI)

Graduate Students:

Essya Mabrouka Nabbali (Regular)

Regrets:

Wade Parkhouse, Chair (on leave)
Peter Liljedahl (Associate Dean)
Mary-Ellen Kelm (Associate Dean)
Nicole White (Library)
Ian McCarthy (BUS)
Matthew Alteen (Graduate Student)

1. Approval of agenda **Approved**
2. Review of the SGSC minutes of May 11, 2015 **Approved**
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. **Chair's Report**
No report given
5. **For Approval**
 - 5.1 **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences** **[GS2015.25]**
 - 5.1.1 GGR 1.9.3 Examining Committee for a Doctoral Thesis
 - a) Calendar change: FASS requirement

Motion moved by M. Andresen **Approved**
 - 5.1.2 Department of Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies
 - a) Course deletion: GSWS 899 MA Extended Essays

Motion moved by M. Andresen **Approved**
 - 5.1.3 Department of Gerontology
 - a) New course: GERO 850 MA Internship
 - b) Program change: MA Gerontology

Motion moved by M. Andresen **Approved**

- 5.2 **Beedie School of Business** [GS2015.26]
a) Program change: MSc in Finance
b) Course change (description): BUS 880

Motion moved by U. Glässer, seconded by S. Markey **Approved**

- 5.3 **Faculty of Education** [GS2015.27]
a) Program change: MA in Arts Education
b) Program change: M.Ed. in Arts Education

Motion moved by P. Winne, seconded by P. Ruben **Approved**

- 5.4 GGR 1.4.3, 1.8.4, 1.8.5 Continuity of Enrolment, Application to go on Leave and Extended Leave of Absence [GS2015.19]

After the previous SGSC meeting, P. Liljedahl followed up with concerned academic units to address procedural issues. All the concerns were resolved. SGSC was informed that e-forms will be implemented for on-leave requests, but before they are ready for use, academic units may send a spreadsheet to the DGS office with all students going on-leave in the same term.

Any references to the other GGRs under review have been removed; therefore, GGR 1.4.3, 1.8.4 and 1.8.5 can be approved separately.

An SGSC member expressed that the GGR revisions were appreciated for creating harmonization with other institutional practices and allowing greater flexibility. The revisions to the on leave policy are considered beneficial to students, faculty, and staff.

Motion P. Ruben, seconded by M. Moore **Approved**

- 5.5 Editorial revisions to GGR 1.3.11, 1.3.11a, 1.4.2, 1.6.3, 1.6.4 1.9.1 [GS2015.28]

Motion P. Winne, seconded by M. Andresen **Approved**

6. **For Information (approved under delegated authority)**

- 6.1 **Faculty of Science** [GS2015.29]

Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

- a) Course change (title, description): MBB 702
b) Course change (description): MBB 723
c) Course change (title, description, prerequisite): MBB 806

7. Other business
8. Next SGSC scheduled meeting is July 6, 2015 (*Material deadline June 18, 2015*)