

Meeting minutes of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC)
held on Monday January 5, 2015 in the Thesis Defence Room, SFU Library

Present:

Ex-Officio:

Wade Parkhouse, Chair
Mary-Ellen Kelm, Co-chair
Peter Liljedahl (Associate Dean)
Mary Ann Pope (Director, Records)
Nicole White (Library)
Shelley Gair (Program Policy, Curriculum)
Krista Gerlich-Fitzgerald (Secretary)

Faculty Chairs:

Uwe Glässer (FAS)
Lisa Shapiro (FASS)
Zoë Druick (FCAT)
Phil Winne (EDUC)
Sean Markey (FENV)
Marina Morrow (FHS)
Peter Ruben and Carl Lowenberger (SCI)

Graduate Students:

Ehsan Jozaghi (Regular)
Paul Yoon (Alternate)

Regrets:

Ian McCarthy (BUS)
Emma Liu (GSS)

Guests:

Angela Brooks-Wilson (BPK)
Laura Marks (SCA)
Gary Wang (MSE)

1. Approval of revised agenda **Approved**
2. Approval of the SGSC meeting minutes on December 1, 2014 **Approved**
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. **Chair's Report**

Wade Parkhouse has returned part-time and is expected to resume full-time in February. Mary-Ellen Kelm, Peter Liljedahl and George Agnes will be assisting on committees in the interim.

The Professional Online Scholarship & Training Initiative (POST) had one successful proposal from Archaeology in the first round of submissions. The second round for proposals takes place this Spring 2015 with workshops on January 19th and 26th from 1:30-4:30 in the Library Room 2020.

The Western Dean's Conference is at the end of the month. SFU is participating in the panel discussion regarding the success of APEX professional development.

5. For Approval

5.1 Faculty of Science

5.1.1 Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology [GS2014.52]

- a) New specialization: Interdisciplinary Oncology Graduate Specialization
- b) New course: ONC 502 Concepts in Oncology
- c) New course: ONC 510 Seminars in Oncology
- d) New course: ONC 548 Rotation in Oncology

5.1.2 Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry [GS2014.52]

- a) New specialization: Interdisciplinary Oncology Graduate Specialization

Angela Brooks-Wilson, BC Cancer Agency Scientist and Professor in BPK at SFU, was in attendance to respond to questions.

Motion moved by E. Jozaghi, seconded by P. Winne.

This is the second submission of this proposal to SGSC. Further clarification has been added regarding the instructors for each course. As well, a long term commitment from BCCA has been stated more clearly in the proposal. The course units for ONC 502 were also changed but this was due to an incorrect interpretation of policy. A **friendly amendment** moved by M. Morrow was accepted to change ONC 502 from 5 units back to 3 units as per the initial proposal.

Approved with amendment

5.1.3 Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science [GS2015.01]

- a) Program change: Masters in Statistics
- b) Program change: Masters in Actuarial Science

Motion moved by E. Jozaghi, seconded by P. Yoon.

Approved

5.2 Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

School for Contemporary Arts [GS2015.02]

- a) Program proposal: Master of Arts in Comparative Media Arts
- b) New course: FPA 888 Directed Study in Fine and Performing Arts
- c) Course change (description and grading): FPA 827
- d) Course change (title, description and grading): FPA 829

Laura Marks, Professor, School for the Contemporary Arts, was in attendance to respond to questions.

Motion moved by Z. Druick, seconded by M. Morrow.

The program is currently being run as a Cohort Special Arrangement with 16 students including international students. The intention of the program is to qualify students for doctoral programs while developing employable skills specific for work in the field of arts. A request was made for future proposals to include an update on the Cohort Special Arrangements Program in the cover memo.

Approved

5.3 **Faculty of Applied Science**

Mechatronic Systems Engineering

[GS2015.03]

- a) Program proposal: Professional Master's Program in Mechatronic Product Realization (Cohort Special Arrangement)
- b) New course: MSE 900 Engineering in the Canadian Context
- c) New course: MSE 995 Advanced Modelling and Prototyping
- d) New course: MSE 921 Product Realization Project I
- e) New course: MSE 922 Product Realization Project II

Gary Wang, Professor, Mechatronic Systems Engineering, was in attendance to respond to questions.

Motion moved by U. Glässer, seconded by P. Yoon.

SGSC raised concern over the reference to graduate fellowships in the section titled "Graduate Scholarships" on SGSC page 140 (Appendix III). **A friendly amendment** was agreed that the title be changed to "graduate awards" and that a clear reference be added that these awards are funded by the department.

Approved with amendment

5.4 **Beedie School of Business**

[GS2015.04]

- a) New course: BUS 880 Student Investment Advisory Service Internship
- b) Program change: MSc in Finance

Motion moved by S. Markey, seconded L. Shapiro

Approved

5.5 Revisions to GGR 1.7.3 and GGR 1.4.4 [GS2014.47]

Motion moved by P. Winne, seconded Z. Druick

Approved
one vote against

5.6 Revision to GGR 1.7.6 [GS2014.40]

Motion moved by S. Markey, seconded P. Winne

Approved

6. Other business

SGSC was reminded that all curriculum forms and templates should be downloaded directly from the Curriculum Management website.

7. Next SGSC scheduled meeting February 2, 2015 (*Material deadline January 15, 2015*)