

Meeting minutes of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) held on April 3, 2017 in the Thesis Defence Room, SFU Library

Present:

Ex-Officio

Wade Parkhouse (Chair)
Jeff Derksen (Associate Dean)
Nicole White (Library)
Chantal Turpin (GSS Representative)
Shelley Gair (Acting Associate Director, Records)
Sheilagh MacDonald (Acting Secretary)

Faculty Chairs:

Faisal Beg (FAS)
Lisa Shapiro (FASS)
Zoë Druick (FCAT)
Allan MacKinnon (designate for EDUC)
Dongya Yang (FENV)
Stephen Smith (HSCI)
Peter Ruben (SCI)

Graduate Students:

Hannah Celinksi
Charanjot Singh

Regrets

Ian McCarthy (BUS)
Peter Liljedahl (Associate Dean)
Krista Gerlich-Fitzgerald (Curriculum)

1. Approval of agenda **Approved**
2. Review of the SGSC minutes of March 6, 2017 **Approved**
3. Business arising from the minutes

The survey conducted at SFU on the impact from the executive order travel ban had 72 responses. The most common impact was on conference travel for doctoral students.

4. Chair's Report

W. Parkhouse will be on leave May 1st to August 31st 2017. While away J. Derksen will be the Acting Dean.

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

Course Changes

Faculty of Applied Sciences

- 1) Course reinstatement CMPT 767 Visualization (**effective Fall 2017**)

Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

- 2) Change the course acronym from FPA to CA for all graduate FPA courses and related pre-requisite and course description changes (**effective Fall 2017**)

Faculty of Environment

- 3) Acronym, title and equivalency change for DEVS 801, DEVS 802 and DEVS 803 (**effective Fall 2017**)
- 4) Title and description for REM 602 and REM 641

Special Arrangements

- 5) Units for SAR 898

Faculty of Science

- 6) Description and repeat for credit change for BISC 821
7) Course deletions for BISC 822, BISC 823 and BISC 829

6. **For Approval**

Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

- 1) Program change for Comparative Media Arts MA

Moved by A. MacKinnon, seconded by Z. Druick

Approved

Faculty of Environment

- 2) Suspension of admission and program termination for Graduate Diploma in Quantitative Methods in Fisheries Management

Motion to suspend and terminate the program moved by D. Yang, seconded by C. Turpin

Approved

Faculty of Science

- 3) New course BISC 891: PhD Graduate Candidacy Exam
4) Program change Master of Pest Management
5) Program change Master of Environmental Toxicology
6) Program change for Biological Science MSc and PhD

Moved by P. Ruben; seconded by F. Beg

Approved

7. For Discussion

8. Next SGSC meeting scheduled for May 8, 2017 (Material deadline April 20, 2017)