

Present:

Jeff Derksen (Chair, Dean GPS and Associate Provost)
 Roxanne Panchasi (Associate Dean, GPS, Academic)
 George Agnes (Associate Dean, GPS, Students)
 Krista Gerlich-Fitzgerald (Associate Director, GPS)
 Nicole White (Designate for Dean of Library)
 Reese Muntean (GSS Executive Representative)
 John C. Foerster (Graduate Student)
 Hannah Buteau (Curriculum, GPS)
 Ruth Anyankpele (Recording Secretary)

Faculty Chair:

Parvaneh Saeedi (FAS)
 Philippe Pasquier (FCAT)
 Dongya Yang (FENV)
 Frank Lee (FHS)
 Andrew Gemino (BUS)
 Lucy LeMare (EDUC)
 Michael Silverman (SCI)

Regrets:

Sean Zwagerman (FASS)

1. Approval of agenda
2. Review of the SGSC minutes of October 4, 2021
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. Chair's Report

The Chair informed the committee that the R60 policy, concerning research conduct and ethics, was presented at the November Senate meeting. The policy was to be revised and re-introduced at the following Senate meeting. A committee member emphasized that this would give the Graduate Student Society an opportunity to review the policy and provide feedback. The committee agreed to review the R60 policy and provide their feedback on the proposed changes GPS.

The Chair notified the committee that the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS) 59th annual conference is ongoing, and any pertinent information will be shared at the next SGSC meeting.

Phillippe Pasquier joined the meeting

5. For Approval**5.1 Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology**The Centre for Digital Media

5.1.1 Program Change: Master of Digital Media

Moved by P. Pasquier; seconded by L. LeMare

Approved

5.2 Faculty of ScienceDepartment of Earth Sciences

5.2.1 Course Change (prerequisite): EASC 613

Moved by M. Silverman; seconded by A. Gemino

Approved

5.3 Recommendation for Posthumous Degree - Thomas Vernham

Moved by L. LeMare; seconded by F. Lee

Approved

6. For Discussion

6.1 Capstone Unit Standardization

Committee members wanted to discuss the implication of standardizing capstone courses within their respective academic units before moving the item for approval. The Chair agreed to re-introduce the discussion at the following SGSC meeting.

6.2 IP/CO Grade Removal

The committee introduced a discussion item to replace all IP/CO graded courses with S/U. A committee member asked if academic units will still be allowed to use IP as a grading notation. K. Gerlich-Fitzgerald informed the committee that IP as a standalone grade will continue to be used and the goal is for academic units to be aware of IP's availability and flexibility.

It was agreed that this discussion item be brought up for approval at the next SGSC meeting.

7. For Information

Approved under delegated Authority

7.1 Temporary and permanent withdrawal of courses

8. The date of the next SGSC meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2021