



SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES – OPEN SESSION

May 7, 2020 ~ 2:30 pm -4:30 pm
Remote Connection via Zoom/Video Conferencing

Attendees: W Parkhouse (Chair), E. Elle (Vice Chair), K Nordgren (Secretary), S. Birnie, J. Chou, M. Crouch, D. Hik, P. Kingsbury, M. MacDonald, K. Masri, C. Murray Park, A. Parmar, P. Pasquier, K. Pathania, N. van Houten, K. Whittle

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

One item was added under Other Business regarding the SFU Now program.

The Agenda was approved as amended.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the Open Session of April 2 , 2020

Minor revisions were made.

The minutes of the Open Session were approved as amended.

3. BUSINESS ARISING

1. Transfer Credit

J. Chou spoke to the agenda item stating that the students from FIC were not aware of the requirement that no more than 50% of transfer courses could be graded 'P'. The Chair noted that FIC transfer students were informed by both FIC and SFU regarding 'P' grades and received only two complaints which have been dealt with and those students have been admitted. The Chair noted that other post secondary institutions have implemented different grading strategies during the pandemic and SFU anticipates minimal impact to transfer students.

3. NEW BUSINESS

PROGRAM CHANGES (SCUS 2036)

a. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

1. Department of Linguistics

Motion 1

It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by A. Parmar

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the:

- Name change of the First Nations Languages Program (FNLP) to Indigenous Languages Program (INLP)
- Name changes to the Certificate in First Nations Language Proficiency and the Diploma in First Nations Language Proficiency

CARRIED

COURSE CHANGES (SCUS 2037)

The following course changes, effective Spring 2021, were approved under delegated authority

C. Murray requested going forward, that the Indigenous Languages Program have its own heading on meeting agendas. The Chair will take this under advisement.

a. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

1. Department of Linguistics

- (i) New acronym (INLG)
- (ii) Title, description, prerequisite and equivalent statement changes to all FNLG courses to INLG course catalog code ENLG 130, 133, 134, 158, 200, 233, 234, 258, 300, 333, 334, 335, 358, 433, 434, 435 and 458.

2. Department of Humanities Fall 2020)

- (i) Deletions of HUM 201, 216 and 321
- (ii) Title/description/prerequisite changes to HUM 202,
- (iii) Prerequisite change for HUM 203 204, 211, 222, 240
- (iv) Title change for HUM 381
- (v) Equivalent statement change for HUM 309

NEW COURSE PROPOSALS

a. Faculty of Applied Sciences (SCUS 2038)

1. School of Mechatronic Systems Engineering)

Motion 2

It was moved by E. Park and seconded by D. Hik

“that SCUS approved under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the New Course Proposal: MSE 412-Neuromodulation Technologies and Applications in Brain Health effective Spring 2021.”

CARRIED

b. Faculty of Environment (SCUS 2039)

Motion 3

It was moved by P. Kingsbury and seconded by C. Murray

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information, the following New Course Proposals effective Spring 2021.”

CARRIED

1. Department of Archaeology

(i) New Course Proposal

- ARCH 1053, The Past in the Present: Archaeology in Popular Culture
- ARCH 3744, Research Design in Archaeology

2. Department of Geography

(i) New Course Proposal GEOG 365 Race, Resistance & Urban Space

c. Faculty of Science (SCUS 200)

1. Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology

Motion 4

It was moved by D. Hik and seconded by C. Murray

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the New Course Proposals:

- BPK 4113, Advanced Topics in Vascular Physiology
- BPK 4473, Neuroplasticity effective Spring 2021.”

CARRIED

PROGRAM CHANGES

a. Faculty of Applied Sciences (SCUS 201)

1. School of Computing Science

Motion 5

It was moved by E. Park and seconded by A. Parmar

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following program changes effective Spring 2021.”

CARRIED

- (i) Lower division requirement changes to the Computing Science Dual Degree Major program
- (ii) Lower division requirement changes to the Computing Science and Linguistics Joint Major program
- (iii) Lower division requirement changes to the Computing Science Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts program and the Computing Science Honours program (Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts)

b. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (SCUS 42)

Motion 6

It was moved by C. Murray and seconded by P. Kingsbury

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following program changes effective Spring 2021.”

CARRIED

1. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

- (i) Change to the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Degree requirements

2. Department of Humanities

- (i) Requirement changes to the:
 - Humanities Major
 - English and Humanities Joint Major
 - French and Humanities Joint Major
 - History and Humanities Joint Major
 - Humanities and Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Joint Major
 - Philosophy and Humanities Joint Major
 - Humanities Minor
 - Humanities Extended Minor
 - Certificate in Medieval and Renaissance Studies
 - Certificate in Religious Studies

- Certificate in Hellenic Studies

c. Faculty of Environment (SCUS 2043)

Motion 7

It was moved by P. Kingsbury and seconded by E. Park

