

Minutes Academic Planning and Priorities Committee

Wednesday, March 17, 2021 - 2:30 PM Video-Conference

Present: James Mandigo (Chair), Emilio Landolfi (Vice-Chair), Adrianna Bakos, Amir Shabani, Bruce Kirkley, David McGuire, David Johnston, Derek Ward-Hall, Donna Alary, Garry Fehr, Gerry Palmer, Jobanpreet Singh Thind, Jon Thomas, Karin Jager, Kim Isaac, Maureen Wideman, Nicola Mooney, Peter Geller, Shelley Canning, Shirley Hardman, Sylvie Murray, Vlada Dvoracek, Melinda Saretzky (recorder), Jacqueline Nolte (quest), Margaret Coombes (quest)

Regrets: Betty Poettcker, Alastair Hodges, Hailey Flikkema, Shelley Stefan, Lorne Mackenzie, Al Wiseman

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call, Voting Procedure, and Territorial Acknowledgement

Assume reverse voting procedure as per the in-camera motion.

2. APPROVALS

2.1. Agenda

MOTION: That APPC approve the agenda as presented. Emilio/Nicola. Carried.

2.2. Minutes

MOTION: That APPC approve the minutes of February 17, 2021 as presented.

Gerry/Shelley. Carried.

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1. Provost's Report

James provided an update on planning to Fall 2021 regarding the new public health orders.

3.2. Program Discontinuance – Substance Abuse Counselling certificate

This certificate has been in program suspension since 2017 and after much consultation, it was concluded that the community could be best served with a continuing education certificate and/or specialized curriculum in the existing Bachelor of Social Work and Master of Social Work programs. It was also noted that this program would not have met the standards for the Indigenous Certificate Board of Canada.

No students will be impacted as this program is currently in suspension and no students have been enrolled since 2010.

MOTION: That APPC recommend to Senate the discontinuance of the Substance Abuse Counselling certificate in the Faculty of Professional Studies, effective Fall 2021.

Emilio/2nd Nicola, Carried.

3.3. Proposal - Revision to Process for Approval of Associate Certificates

The revision mirrors the same process as approving a minor. The UEC has already approved this process and is coming to APPC because of authority of concept papers. It was noted that if there is not a higher-level credential, that it would go through the usual process whereas a concept paper would be required with some flexibility if there is a closely-related program. The terminology of 'credential' vs 'program' was confirmed as defined in the Credential Policy – (64).

MOTION: That APPC approves revision of the approval process for associate certificate proposals to remove the requirement for approval of a concept paper in instances where a higher-level credential or program in a closely related area already exists.

Sylvie/2nd Nicola. Carried.

3.4. Terms of Reference Review

3.5.1 Terms 1, 5, 9, 10

A document was circulated with suggested changes and the APPC provided feedback.

All suggested changes to the Terms of Reference from each of the ad-hoc committees will be noted in the revised ToR when brought to APPC for decision.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1. Senate (for information) - February 26, 2021

- Program Suspension AME Structures
- New Program Indigenous Studies
- New Program Applied Management concentration

5. ADJOURNMENT – 3:45pm Gerry/2nd Jon.

Next Meeting: April 14, 2021; 2:30-4:30pm; Video-Conference