

Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee

April 4, 2023 at 3pm – 5pm

University Boardroom A341

IN ATTENDANCE:

Peter Choate, GFC Academic Staff Member, CHAIR

Phil Warsaba, Vice-President, Students, VICE-CHAIR

Evan Cortens (Interim), Dean, Faculty of Continuing Education & Extension

Shane Gannon, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Arts)

Adam Cave, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Business and Communication Studies)

Melanie Rathburn, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Science and Technology)

David Clemis, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Teaching & Learning)

Gaye Warthe, Chair of a Faculty Curriculum Committee

Joseph Nguyen, Student Representative

Resources

Nicole Cross, Designate for University Registrar

Cheryl Melatdoost, Academic Quality Assurance Coordinator

Sheena Jensen, Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Yasmin Ahmed, Student Representative

Peter Houston, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (University Library)

Stephen Price, Dean Representative

Tanya Stogre, Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Health, Community and Education)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05pm.

1. Approval of Agenda (*motion*)

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Agenda for the April 4, 2023 Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

2.1. Minutes from March 7, 2023 (*motion*)

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the March 7, 2023 Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. Curriculum

3.1. Major Program Change – Aviation, Diploma

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to the General Faculties Council the approval of the Major Program Change – Aviation, Diploma.

Discussion:

- The effective academic year is 2024/25
- Support was shared for the changes to the admission requirements
- There would be employment opportunities in this field for a student who completes the diploma program and chooses not to complete the flight requirements

Motion carried

3.2. Program Termination – Massage Therapy, Certificate

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to the General Faculties Council the approval of the Program Termination – Massage Therapy, Certificate.

Motion carried

4. Program Definitions Policy

4.1. Next Steps – Indigenous Content

At the GFC March 17, 2023 meeting, GFC supported APCC's approach for draft revisions to the Program Definitions Policy for Indigenous content in programs and moving away from the three-credit requirement. GFC encouraged APCC to consult with Indigenous faculty prior to broader community consultation. Discussion focused on the consultation process and it was agreed that the Chair of APCC will coordinate a focus group consultation with Indigenous faculty. Any changes made to APCC's draft policy wording from the Indigenous faculty consultation will come back to APCC to sign-off prior to moving to the 30-day community consultation. It was indicated that this work will carry forward into the next academic year.

It was explained that APCC's focus is on the policy aspect and not the development of Indigenous course content or other related implementation pieces.

4.2. Working Group Update

With the Indigenous content piece moving forward, the group will continue to focus on the other Program Definitions Policy revisions, which is anticipated to carry forward into the next academic year.

5. Update – Review of Curriculum Change Impact Assessment Document

The Working Group above will also be working on reviewing the Curriculum Change Impact Assessment document.

Appreciation was shared for the amount of time and work Nicole Cross and the Working Group members have invested for the Program Definitions Policy and other support provided to APCC.

6. Committee Chair Report

No report.

7. Report from Senior Administrator to the Committee

No report.

8. Faculty Council Approved Curriculum

The Faculty Council approved curriculum was provided for information.

9. New Business

There was no new business. Yasmin Ahmed, Student Representative, was recognized for her contributions to APCC this year as her term on APCC comes to an end.

10. Adjournment 3:43PM