

ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING

January 19, 2022

VIRTUAL

IN ATTENDANCE:

Lee Easton	CHAIR, GFC Academic Staff Member
Michael Quinn	VICE-CHAIR, Vice-Provost and AVP, Academic
Phil Warsaba	Vice-Provost and AVP, Students
Peter Ryan	MRFA Academic Liaison Officer
Kelly Williams-Whitt	Dean Representative
Aida Patient	GFC Academic Staff Member (Arts)
Sally Haney	GFC Academic Staff Member (Business and Communication Studies)
Therese Wiart Jenkinson	GFC Academic Staff Member (Health, Community and Education)
Bill Scott	GFC Academic Staff Member (Science and Technology)
Cynthia Gallop	Academic Staff Member (Teaching & Learning)
Erik Christiansen	Academic Staff Member (University Library)
Haroon Chehade	Student Representative
Rusna Mahoon	Student Representative

Resources

Geri Lynn Gouglas	University Registrar
Sheena Jensen	RECORDING SECRETARY, Assistant University Secretary, GFC

Guests

David Hyttenrauch	Chair, Interior Design
Linda ManyGuns	AVP, Indigenization and Decolonization
Cheryl Melatdoost	Academic Quality Assurance Coordinator
Kenna Olsen	Associate Dean, Arts

The meeting was called to order at 3:04pm and quorum was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Agenda for the January 19, 2022 Academic Standards Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the December 8, 2021 Academic Standards Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**Recommendations with Respect to Recognizing Indigenous Peoples Ways of Knowing and Indigenous Scholarship in the Institutional Tenure and Promotion Criteria**

Discussion took place around the draft implementation plan for ASC's recommendations to recognize Indigenous knowledge in the tenure and promotion criteria. Dr. Linda ManyGuns gave an overview of the work her and her office will be commencing to support the implementation of the ASC recommendations, starting with developing a plan with some action items and the involvement of the Traditional Thinkers' Circle. She explained that this is a priority, commenting on the complexity and large amount of work this will be, and provided insights into the various considerations and approaches that need to be given thought to. Dr. Manyguns responded to questions and received suggestions to consider for planning purposes, such as understanding current barriers, ways to support individuals currently in the tenure and promotion process, and understanding what is within and beyond ASC's scope related to this work. It was reminded that ASC's role is to address the criteria for tenure and promotion.

Dr. ManyGuns explained that she intends to put together a plan based on the recommendations provided and to provide a draft to ASC for feedback. It was agreed that Lee Easton and Kelly Williams-Whitt will meet with Dr. ManyGuns to discuss timelines and consider an approach for individuals who are currently in the tenure and promotion process while this work is being done. The Chair will report back to ASC at the next meeting.

D. Hyttenrauch and K. Olsen joined the meeting.

ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION**Arts Scholarship Standards and Interior Design (Tenure and Promotion Criteria)**

D. Hyttenrauch provided an overview of background information and context for the proposed changes to the *Research and Scholarship Criteria, Evidence and Standards for Tenure and Promotion for the Faculty of Arts* presented to ASC for review and recommendation to GFC. The proposed changes to the Arts Scholarly Results Chart (embedded in the Arts criteria document) add a small number of characteristic professional, scholarly and creative activities in Interior Design to allow better reporting of existing activities and to create a clearer roadmap for future scholarly expectations. Comments were shared in support of the changes. In response to a question, it was explained that there were no concerns raised by the Arts Faculty Council when reviewing the proposed changes.

D. Hyttenrauch and K. Olsen left the meeting.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Academic Standards Committee recommend to General Faculties Council the proposed revisions to the Research and Scholarship Criteria, Evidence and Standards for Tenure and Promotion For the Faculty of ARTS at Mount Royal University including the Arts Scholarly Results Chart, to better represent professional and scholarly activities by Interior Design faculty.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Committee Chair Report

No report.

Report from the Senior Administrator to the Committee

M. Quinn provided an update on the Comprehensive Institutional Evaluation site visit being conducted 20-21 January 2022, which includes the audit status application. Status updates on upcoming and completed program reviews were provided. A detailed report was made available to members for reference in the ASC Shared Drive.

There was no update at the time of the meeting on a Handbook for Lab Instructors and Senior Lecturers. It will be added to the next agenda for an update.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT 4:31PM