

SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

October 19, 2012

PRESENT: Robert Campbell (Chair) Debbie Johnson, Jennifer Lashek, Bill Gibson, Karen McCredie, Anna Lee Boulton, Jennifer Moore, Heather Plume Tammy Towill, Cheryl Schreder, Milt Williams, Meike Wernicke-Heinrichs. Carol Aitken, Maggie Reagh, Joan Gauthier (Recorder).

REGRETS:

GUESTS: Ki Wight Sue Dritmanis

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On the motion of Jennifer Moore, seconded by Karen McCredie

The agenda was approved.

2. MINUTES

On the motion of Heather Plume, seconded by Milt Williams

The Minutes of September 21, 2012 were approved as presented.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

CMNS 133 – Business Writing for Digital Visual Effects - New Course
Presented by Ki Wight and Sue Dritmanis.

This is an experiential type of course that will assist students in applied arts programs to develop their business writing skills.

SCC noted the following error

- Page 9 change “prose” to “poise”

Jennifer Moore moved and Anna Lee Boulton seconded that:

12/69 CMNS 133 – Business Writing for Digital Visual Effects be recommended to Senate for approval.

CARRIED

Bachelor of Communication Studies Program Profile

The change to the program is to make CMNS 285 as an elective rather than a requirement.

Heather Plume moved and Anna Lee Boulton seconded that:

12/70 The changes to the Bachelor of Communications Program Profile be recommended for approval to Senate.

CARRIED

4. PHIL 309 & PHIL 401

These courses were deferred to the November meeting since no department representative was available.

5. ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

Presented by: Maggie Reagh

Changes to Pre-requisites

ESLF 040 – English Language Foundations 1

ESLF 050 – English Language Foundations 2

ESLF 060 - Capilano Academic English Preparation 1

ESLF 070 - Capilano Academic English Preparation 2

ESLF 080 - Capilano Academic English Preparation 3a

English for Academic Purposes is the new name for the department formerly called *English as a Second Language*. Students typically enter this program at a variety of levels, and the proposal is to change the entry requirement for all levels from the current grade of B- (70%) to a B (73%)

It was noted that the entrance requirement for ESLF 030 is based on the ESL Placement Test, or an ELA with a minimum score of 32.

Maggie Reagh moved and Anna Lee Boulton seconded that

12/71 The entry level prerequisite grade for ESLF 040, ESLF 050, ESLF 060, ESLF 070, and ESLF 080 change from a minimum grade of B- to B, and that the pre-requisite for ESLF 030 will be the Capilano ESL Placement Test or an ELA with a minimum score of 32.

CARRIED

Revision to Graduation Requirements for ENG Preparation 2 Citation (ESLF 070)

Maggie Reagh moved and Milt Williams seconded that:

12/72 The graduation requirement for Capilano Academic English Preparation 2 Citation (ESLF 070) be a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher.

CARRIED

Revised Admission Requirements to:
ESL-Plus 1 Arts/Sci Combined and ESL Plus 1 BADM Combined and
ESL-Plus 2 Arts/Sci Combined and ESL Plus 2 BADM Combined.

This change would see the minimum entrance for the above four programs change from a B+ grade to a B grade. This will be advantageous for students wishing to register in 100 level courses via online registration, and will especially benefit international students. The committee expressed concerns that lowering the requirement might not adequately prepare students for success in subsequent academic credit courses. Maggie advised that the majority of ESL Plus students achieve 73% or higher due to the motivation of being able to then take 100 level courses.

Maggie Reagh moved and Jennifer Moore seconded that:

12/73 The English Language admission requirements for ESL Plus 1 Arts/Sci Combined and ESL Plus 1 BADM Combined be changed to an ESLF 060 with a minimum B grade or higher.

CARRIED

Maggie Reagh moved and Jennifer Moore seconded that:

12/74 The English Language admission requirements for ESP ESL Plus 2 Arts/Sci combined and ESL Plus 2 BADM combined be changed to an ESLF 070 with a minimum B grade or higher.

CARRIED

Karen McCredie moved and Bill Gibson seconded that:

12/75 One year after implementation of the ESL ESLF 030-080 prerequisite revisions and the ESL Plus 1 and ESL Plus 2 admission requirement revisions, a review be undertaken to determine the impact of these changes.

CARRIED

Certificates ESLF 030, ESLF 040, ESLF 050, ESLF 060

These certificates are to be terminated as of Spring 2013 as ESLF 030 – 060 no longer meet certificate requirements.

Maggie Reagh moved and Anna Lee seconded that :

12/76 The English Language Fundamentals Certificate (ESLF 030), the English Language Foundations 1 Certificate (ESLF 040) the English Language Foundations 2 Certificate (ESLF 050) and the Capilano Academic English Preparation 1 Certificate (ESLF 060) be terminated as of Spring 2013.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Item #1 – BCCAT Associate Degree Review

Presented by: Robert Campbell

BCCAT has created a committee to review Associate Degrees in British Columbia. The Associate Degree was launched in the early 90's and is a provincially mandated, two-year undergrad credential, awarded upon the completion of 60 credits in arts and sciences. The last review was undertaken in 2002. The committee has been asked to make recommendations on how the Associate Degree can be improved.

There is a survey at www.bccat.ca/system/associatedegreeereview and SCC members were encouraged to look at the survey and make comments if they wished. Recommendations are due to be given to the Ministry by January 31, 2013.

Discussion Item 2 - Baccalaureate Concentrations

Presented by: - Aurelea Mahood

In discussion with members of other Faculties and the Registrar's office, there is some interest in investigating opportunities to create Baccalaureate concentrations. A Baccalaureate concentration is a pre-defined block of courses at the lower and upper levels exploring a specific area of study. SCC was asked to endorse the investigation of this proposed opportunity.

Karin McCredie moved and Cheryl Schreader seconded that:

12/77 The development of Baccalaureate concentrations be examined.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- North American Business Management Post Baccalaureate Diploma – program profile format revision
- North American and International Management Graduate Diploma – program profile format revision.
- PSYC 340 – Conservation Psychology – course title revision.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 2.56pm.