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Faculty of Graduate Studies Graduate New Programs and Curriculum Committee Meeting Friday, February 8, 2013; 9:00 – 11:00am Venue: Room 203, Graduate Student Centre, 6371 Crescent Road

Present: Joy Begley, Shauna Butterwick, Barak Caracheo, Jessica Iverson (Minutes), Lindsey Kovacevic, Anthony Lau, Bill Ramey, Max Read, Clive Roberts (Chair), Allen Sens, Susie Stephenson

Regrets: Stelvio Bandiera

1. Adoption of Agenda

-Adopted

2. Minutes of Friday, January 11, 2013 and Friday, January 25, 2013 meetings -Approved

3. Business Arising

-Further to the January 25, 2013 NPCC meeting, the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (SALA) has resubmitted an amended proposal package for the Master of Urban Design (MUD) for review by the Committee Chair; the Chair is satisfied with the amendments; the proposal package has been approved and will be put forward at the next meeting of the Senate Curriculum Committee -The recently-approved MUD proposal has raised the issue of professional programs that fall outside the Faculty of Graduate Studies; going forward, the Chair will first consult with the Dean of FoGS when new non-FoGS program proposals are submitted

4. New Proposals

Faculty of Applied Science		
Submitted by Deb Feduik		
BMEG 510 (3)		
-the Committee has concerns over who will		
teach the course; on what basis would a		
graduate student be qualified to teach?		
Please refer to UBC Policy 75		
(https://www.grad.ubc.ca/faculty-		
staff/policies-procedures/permission-teach)		
and clarify who will teach the course.		
-what are the assessment criteria for the		
evaluation components?		
-the workload seems heavy for 3 credits;		
either justify the current content or amend		
syllabus to reflect 3 credits of content (it		
appears to be reflective of 6 credits)		
-rewrite syllabus for the work expected of		
graduate students (as opposed to the		
undergraduate students who would take		
BMEG 410)		
-remove "(cardiovascular, respiratory, renal,		
etc.)" from course description on left-hand		
side of proposal form		
-clarify plans for BMEG 530; the Committee		
suggests submitting a Category 2 proposal to		
remove the course from the Calendar to		

avoid any confusion (the effective session for the proposal to remove BMEG 530 should be the same as BMEG 510) Action: HOLD

Faculty of Forestry	
Submitted by Gayle Kosh	
	Forestry Graduate Programs TOEFL Requirement
	Action: APPROVED

Faculty of Applied Science (School of Community and Regional Planning)	
Submitted by Deb Feduik	
General comments/questions:	
-the Committee recommends that the	
proposal be reviewed by Applied Science's	
own Curriculum Committee	
-the rationale for the new program is not	
fully developed; the proposal has not yet	
made the case for a completely new program	
and it appears students can meet all the	
goals of the MCRP with the two existing	
Planning degrees (MAP, MScP)	
-as there are currently 'non-thesis' options	
for the MAP and MScP, will these be	
discontinued once the MCRP begins? If so,	
how sustainable will the existing programs be	
once the MCRP is in place?	
-why/how is the MCRP to the benefit of	
students?	
-how transferable are the MCRP courses/	
how transferable is the program? Is the	
MCRP a "dead end" degree for students who	
may wish to pursue Planning at the doctoral	
level?	
-why are there research courses for a	
professional program?	
-what other universities have two separate	
but parallel Planning degrees? In the document introduction, the application	
compares thesis-based programs with the	
MCRP; however MCRP would not be thesis-	
based. Please outline what similar programs	
exist.	
-budget form must be signed by the Provost	
-the document appears to suggest that	
students will apply to the School and then be	
assigned to thesis-based (MAP, MScP) or	
MCRP programs. Please clarify.	
-does the School have the resources to	
support the two existing Planning degrees	
and the MCRP?	
-how will the differential fees for the MCRP	

degree generate resources that benefit not only the program but also the School as a	
whole?	
-SCARP's statement regarding the	
accreditation of a new MCRP degree (p.	
30/162) seems premature. Are the existing	
degrees currently accredited? If so, by what	
body? If the MAP and/or MScP are/is already	
accredited as a professional degree, why is MCRP needed?	
-it is not clear whether students in	
MAP/MScP and MCRP would be in the same	
courses. Please clarify.	
-the Committee has not completed its	
review, and in particular, has not discussed	
course outlines or proposal forms. The above	
review is presented so that the school can work on the issues raised.	
work on the issues raised.	
Master of Community and Regional Planning	
(MCRP) Degree Program*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP Course Code*	
-what does new course code (CRP) stand for? PLAN already means Community and	
Regional Planning.	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 500 (3)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 501 (2)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 502 (2)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 510 (1)* Action: HOLD	
CRP 511 (2)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 512 (2)*	
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CRP 520 (2)*	
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CRP 521 (2)*	
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CRP 522 (2)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 550 (3/6) d*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 570 (3)*	
Action: HOLD	
CRP 580 (3)*	
Action: HOLD	

5. Adjournment of Meeting

6. Next meeting: 9:00 AM, Friday, February 22, 2013, Room 203 of the Graduate Student Centre

*proposal for Senate Curriculum Sub-Committee of Graduate Programs