

**MINUTES**  
**Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**  
**Graduate New Programs and Curriculum Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, February 21, 2014; 9:00 – 11:00am**  
**Venue: Room 203, Graduate Student Centre, 6371 Crescent Road**

**Present:** Tony Bi, John Church, Jessica Iverson (Minutes), Lindsey Kovacevic, Lena Patsa, Bill Ramey, Clive Roberts (Chair), Susie Stephenson

**Guest:** Glenda MacDonald, Ginette Vallée

**Regrets:** Max Read

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

-Adopted

**2. Minutes of Friday, February 7, 2014 Meeting**

-Approved

**3. Business Arising**

-Further to the February 7, 2014 NPCC meeting, Applied Science chose not to accept the suggested text for the Master of Science in Nursing Program Requirements, instead opting to clarify course requirements related to NURS 595 in the SPAR Guidelines

-Further to the February 7, 2014 NPCC meeting, Dentistry accepted the suggested text for the Master of Science in Craniofacial Science but chose not to add DENT 539 as a formal prerequisite to DENT 540

**4. Resubmitted Proposals**

<b>Faculty of Medicine</b> Submitted by Erin Smith	
SPPH 550 (3) -the Committee will continue reviewing the proposal once the proponent has submitted the requested curriculum consultations <b>Action: HOLD</b>	

<b>Faculty of Applied Science</b> Submitted by Rebecca Bateman	
PLAN 521 (3) <b>Action: APPROVED</b>	
PLAN 522 (2) <b>Action: APPROVED</b>	

**5. New Proposals**

<b>Faculty of Education</b> Submitted by Kim Zebehazy	
Special Education Master of Arts and Master of Education Program Requirements <b>Action: HELD OVER</b>	
EPSE 536 (3) <b>Action: HELD OVER</b>	

**Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences**

Submitted by Ginette Vallée

Doctor of Pharmacy – add Post-Graduate\*

-Dr. Glenda MacDonald provided the Committee with an overview of the proposed undergraduate PharmD degree and its relation to the current graduate PharmD; she explained that for the past 20 years there has been a shift in pharmacy education (primarily in the United States, but also worldwide), which has spurred the creation of entry-to-practice undergraduate degrees (with substantially different curriculum) called PharmD; UBC is following this shift

-Ginette Vallée clarified the Faculty is not proposing to change either the name of the current graduate degree or the credential; they are only proposing to add a descriptor to differentiate the undergraduate and graduate degrees

-the University of Toronto is the only other Canadian university that has undergone this change; they call their entry-to-practice program PharmD, and their graduate program Post-Baccalaureate PharmD

-the Committee's main concern is that graduates of the current and proposed programs will have different skill sets, levels of training and qualifications, although both will have PharmD degrees; the degrees are essentially different, but they have the same name

-Dr. MacDonald said by the time students graduate from the entry-to-practice PharmD the current graduate PharmD may be closed, although the Faculty has not yet decided for certain if/when the graduate program will cease to be offered; there could, however, be a short period in which no students graduate from UBC with a PharmD, graduate or otherwise

-the Committee suggested changing the name of the graduate degree to something else to distinguish it from the entry-to-practice degree; post-baccalaureate PharmD and graduate PharmD were suggested

-the Faculty does not wish to change the name of the PharmD degree, not only because it could possibly disadvantage their students but also because the different PharmD degrees are understood in the pharmacy sector, but is amenable to changing the proposed descriptor to post-

baccalaureate PharmD -the Committee asked about the career path for students with a BSc in Pharmacy if the current graduate degree is closed -Dr. MacDonald said those students could enroll in the Flexible PharmD (not yet proposed), which would upgrade their BSc to the level of the entry-to-practice PharmD; the student would still have to enroll in the Pharmacy Practice Residency (outside UBC) to gain a high level of patient/task complexity -the Committee asked the proponent to make several changes to the proposal -change action type to reflect that post-baccalaureate is being added as a descriptor to the existing graduate degree; post-baccalaureate should appear in lower case so it is not interpreted as part of the degree name -change rationale statement to explain the post-baccalaureate descriptor (i.e., the current PharmD is linked to the existing BSc in Pharmacy) but confirm that the existing PharmD degree remains unchanged -add statistics to the rationale section about the shift in pharmacy education in the US <b>Action: APPROVED</b>	
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<b>Faculty of Medicine</b> Submitted by Aleya Abdulla	
PATH 501 (2) <b>Action: HELD OVER</b>	
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<b>Faculty of Law</b> Submitted by Chira Perla	
	LAW 509 (4) <b>Action: APPROVED</b>

<b>Faculty of Applied Science</b> Submitted by Gail Schmidt	
	Master of Software Systems Calendar entry <b>Action: HELD OVER</b>

**6. Adjournment of Meeting**

**7. Next meeting: 9:00 AM, Friday, March 7, 2014, Room 203 of the Graduate Student Centre**

\*proposal for Senate Curriculum Sub-Committee of Graduate Programs