

MINUTES
Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
Graduate New Programs and Curriculum Committee Meeting
September 12, 2014; 9:00 – 11:00am
Venue: Room 203, Graduate Student Centre, 6371 Crescent Road

Present: Tony Bi, Thomas Chang, John Church, Daniel Fritz (Minutes), Jessica Iverson, Lena Patsa, Max Read, Clive Roberts (Chair), Andrew Riseman, Susie Stephenson

Regrets: Lindsey Kovacevic, Murali Chandrashekar

1. Adoption of Agenda:

-Adopted

2. Minutes of June 6, 2014 Meeting (Approved by Dr. Clive Roberts in June, 2014)

3. Business Arising:

-N/A

4. New Proposals

Faculty of Arts Submitted by Yves Tiberghien	
<p>Creation of MPP Degree program Action: Hold -Proponents will need to prove to the SCC, the Senate and the Ministry: why close MAAPPS and start this program. Be ready to answer this question at the SCC meeting. -In reference to similar programs, check the Master of Engineering and Public Policy program that was approved by the UBC Senate, but never used. -In reference to other programs offered in BC, why include Royal Roads? Is RR an accredited program? -2.2.1 Try to focus on the proposal as it stands. Do not discuss future incarnations of the program and dual-degree options. -Advise that streams should be administered at the departmental level, rather than at the G+PS level. -Wording: Committee suggests using “area of focus” instead of “stream” (avoid use of stream) -2.2.3 Learning objectives are not effectively stated. Please review the learning objectives and make them student-centered. -Check professors list on calendar entry -Clean up Table 1. The data needs to be made clear and consistent.</p>	

-2.5.1: Estimation of program demand: Where is Appendix 1? Appendix 1 is needed to support the conclusions that have been stated.

-Admission requirements: Consult with Amandeep Breen
-Be sure to address the issues surrounding research interests, pre-requisite courses, career interests, etc.

-2.2: Having a large number of courses is a recurring issue that is raised by the Committee. Please provide a rationale. Why are so many new courses needed? Why not utilize a "container" course or special topics course for the stream courses?

-3.3.1: Courses: Make descriptions student centered. Take a course description as it appears in the program proposal document and then create a basic course description (appears in left-column) and a student centered rationale (appears in right-column).

-Define: What is a core course? What are the implications of a student taking the internship course (GPP 510)? Where are the internships taking place? What is "required"?

-Pre-requisite courses are noted in the proposal document, but not in the 2-column forms.

-Need more detail concerning the digital portfolio (GPP 509). Is the digital portfolio a project completed for no credit? This may not be permitted.

-Need additional information regarding streams. How many students will be in each stream? How will the stream be administered? How many instructors/professors will be dedicated to each stream?

-Need to respond to the comments made in the curriculum consultations (Poli/Sauder/Sowk/Applied Science).

Creation of new course code for MPP program (new course code- GPP)

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GPP 501 (3)

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GPP 582 (3)

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GPP 583 (3)

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GPP 584 (3)

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<p>GPP 590 (6) Action: Hold -The syllabus discusses “completed courses.” How will the courses be completed if this is taken concurrently? -Is this a 3 credit course? There seems to be a large amount of work completed for only 3 credits. -How are students going to be evaluated?</p> <p>GPP 591 (3) Action: Hold</p>	
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5. Adjournment of Meeting

6. Next meeting: 9:00 AM, October 3, 2014, Room 203 of the Graduate Student Centre

*proposal for Senate Curriculum Sub-Committee of Graduate Programs