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MEMORANDUM

| ATTENTION: Senate | TEL |
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| FROM: Peter Keller, Vice-President, Academic and Prov | ost, and Chair, SCUP |
| RE: Suspension of Admission and Dissolution of the Bio Option) (SCUP 17-31) | omedical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc (Course |

TIME

DATE: September 8, 2017

At its September 6, 2017 meeting, SCUP reviewed and approved the proposal to suspend admission and to dissolve the Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology Master of Science (Course Option) in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology within the Faculty of Science, effective Summer 2018.

Motion 1:

That Senate approve the suspension of admission to the Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology Master of Science (Course Option) in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology within the Faculty of Science, effective Summer 2018.

Motion 2:

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors the dissolution of the Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology Master of Science (Course Option) in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology within the Faculty of Science, effective Summer 2018.

c: T. Claydon

SCUP 17-31



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MEMORANDUM -

| Senate Committee on University DATE Jun | e 22, 2017 |
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| Priorities (SCUP) | |
| Jeff Derksen, | |
| Acting Chair of Senate Graduate | |
| Studies Committee (SGSC) | 0 . |
| Suspension of Admission and Termination of Biomed | dical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc |
| (Course Option) | |
| | Priorities (SCUP) Jeff Derksen, Acting Chair of Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) Suspension of Admission and Termination of Biomed |

For approval:

At its meeting of June 5, 2017, SGSC approved the suspension of admission and termination of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc (Course Option) within the Faculty of Science, which gives rise to the following recommendations:

Motion 1:

That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the suspension of admission to the Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc (Course Option) within the Faculty of Science.

Motion 2:

That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the termination of the Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc (Course Option) within the Faculty of Science.



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Faculty of Science

ATTENTION Wade Parkhouse, Dean, Graduate Studies

FROM Peter Ruben, Associate Dean, Faculty of Science

RE Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology MSc Course Option Termination

DATE May 15, 2017

тіме 11:38 АМ

The graduate program in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology seeks approval to suspend admission and terminate the Master of Science (course option).

The Faculty Graduate Program Committee reviewed and approved the proposed changes. The proposed changes have my approval.

P. Ruben

Proposal to suspend admission and Proposal to Terminate a Program

- 1. All impacted credentials, levels and categories of the degree, and specific discipline or field of study
- Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology (course option) Master of Science.

2. Location of the program

- Burnaby.

3. Faculty(ies), Department(s), or School(s) offering the program

- Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology.

4. Anticipated final dissolution date

- Immediate.

- 5. Reasons for termination of the program, such as:
 - Insufficient financial resources
 - Lack of enrollment demand
 - Curricular issues

- Admission to the course option MSc in BPK was put on hold in 2010. The last student enrolled completed in 2013. The program did not succeed for a number of reasons. Limited resources, curricular issues and an inability to provide an appropriate educational environment or support were the main factors. Students found course availability a continual challenge, admitted students often found it difficult getting mentorship from Faculty members due to lack of engagement, and because the students in the program were perceived to be weaker than those in the thesis option MSc program.

6. Plan for phasing-out of program, including

- a) Steps taken to consult with students
- b) Steps taken to consult with impacted instructors and staff
- c) Steps taken to ensure students in the program have the opportunity to
- d) complete the program

- e) Description of the reallocation of any remaining program and
- f) associated resources when program is terminated
- g) Confirmation of consultation with other impacted departments and
- h) Faculties
- i) Impacts on and/or reorganization of curriculum in cognate disciplines
- j) Timeline of activities

- admissions to the program were put on hold in 2010. The last student in the program completed in 2013. No SFU students will be affected by the termination of this program.

- 7. Name, title, phone number and email address of the institutional contact person in case more information is required (normally, the Dean of the Faculty in which the program is housed)
- Thomas Claydon, Associate Professor, Graduate Program Chair, Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology (<u>thomas_claydon@sfu.ca</u>).