

SENATE SUMMARY MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2011

1. enVISION SFU

The chair reported that the enVISION process has been launched externally and internally and that much of his time has been spent meeting with groups including some time in the homes of students. There were approximately 300 substantive comments submitted in the first 10 days on the website. The goal is to synthesize all the gathered information into a document by June.

2. Respectful Debate and Free Speech on Campus

The chair reported that in response to an event that was hosted at SFU that caused some controversy in respect to free speech, he has issued a statement about respectful debate and free speech on campus that is posted on his website at the following link: http://www.sfu.ca/pres/president/petterspeeches/201103.html

3. Grading Policy in Faculty of Health Sciences (S.11-26)

Senate was informed that the Grades report for 2009/10 was now available online at http://www.sfu.ca/irp/Students/grades_report/index.html. A recommendation was made that the Grades report be regularly submitted to Senate for information due to the valuable information it contained. This recommendation was accepted and so the Grades report will now be submitted to Senate as an information item on an annual basis.

4. Centres and Institutes Renewal Applications (S.11-27)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on University Priorities, acting under delegated authority, reviewed and approved the renewal of twelve research centres and institutes for a five year term. The renewal applications are at http://www.sfu.ca/senate/papers/renewal applications/

5. Suspension of Admission and Dissolution of Bachelor of Arts Degrees in Mathematics and Statistics (S.11-28)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the proposal to suspend admission to the Bachelor of Arts Degree programs in Mathematics and Statistics, within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Summer 2011 and dissolve the programs effective Fall 2011.

6. Dissolution of the Extended Minor in Latin American Studies (S.11-29)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the proposal to dissolve the Extended Minor in Latin American Studies, within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2011.

7. Undergraduate Admission Targets for 2011/12 (S.11-30)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the 2011/12 Enrolment Plan found in Appendix A, the 2011/12 domestic undergraduate admission targets to each faculty in Table C1 in Appendix C, and the 2011/12 international undergraduate admission targets to each faculty found in Table C2 in Appendix C of the Enrolment Information for Senate.

It was agreed at Senate that motion 2, referring to the international undergraduate enrolment increase of 17.5% of the domestic undergraduate enrolment, was unnecessary given that motion 1 had already approved the Enrolment Plan in Appendix A which included the international undergraduate enrolment projections.

8. Direction to Strategic Enrolment Management Council (S.11-31)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Enrolment Management and Planning has directed the Strategic Enrolment Management Council to develop a strategic plan for international enrolments including methodologies for managing those enrolments.

9. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (S.11-32)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) Philosophy

- Course (new): PHIL 327-3 (Global Health Ethics)
- Course (deleted): PHIL 319W

10. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Business Administration (S.11-33)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) Business

- Program: International Business concentration
- Program: Non-business student access to BUS 300 and 400 level courses
- Course (credit hours): BUS 489

11. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (S.11-34)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) School of Communication

- Course (new): CMNS 357 (Audio Media Analysis)
- Course (deleted): CMNS 472, 474

b) School of Interactive Art and Technology

- Program: Additional requirement section for Major and Honours (BA & BSc)

12. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Education (S.11-35)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) Education

- Course (pre-requisites): EDUC 326, 415, 464
- Course (WQB): EDUC 342W, 352W, 220 (B-Soc)

13. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Health Sciences (S.11-36)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) Health Sciences

- Course (pre-requisite, description or course number): HSCI 305, 307, 319, 320, 330, 349, 403, 404, 406, 407, 431, 474, 478, 483

14. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions - Faculty of Science (S.11-37)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2011:

a) Biological Sciences

- Course (prerequisite): BISC 405

b) Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology

- Program: Deletion of Health & Physiological Sciences concentration
- Program: Biomedical Physiology major, Kinesiology major, Active Health & Rehab concentration, Ergonomics concentration
- Program: Health & Fitness Certificate
- Program: Behavioural Neuroscience Major and Honours program
- Course (prerequisite): KIN 426
- Course (name, description): KIN 431
- Course (prerequisite, description): KIN 308
- Course (W designation): KIN 417W

- Course (deleted): KIN 367, 383, 416, 442, 467, 485, 486

c) Mathematics

- Course (prerequisite): MATH 252, 309, 314, 418, 419, 461, 462, 467, 470
- Course (title): MATH 439
- Course (new): MATH 441 (Commutative Algebra & Algebraic Geometry)

15. Accreditation Update (S.11-38)

Senate received an update of progress being made in following the process of accreditation by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities as information.

16. Date of the Next Senate Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of Senate is Monday, April 4, 2011.

For more information please refer to the March 2011 Senate documents at https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-15854