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MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION Senate

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RE:

2010-11 Annual Report of SGSC



I am pleased to submit to Senate the 2010-11 Annual Report of the Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (SGSC).

The Senate Committee on Graduate Studies is charged by Senate with the following terms of reference:

1. *To maintain the academic standards established by Senate.*
2. *To review and make recommendations to Senate concerning new graduate programs.*
3. *To review and make recommendations to Senate concerning major changes to graduate programs.*
4. *To review and approve all proposed new graduate courses, course deletions, and minor changes to programs. These changes shall be reported to Senate in summary form.*
5. *To administer, review and make recommendations to Senate concerning Graduate General Regulations.*
6. *To consider matters concerning Graduate Studies referred to the Committee, and to make recommendations to the appropriate bodies.*
7. *To consider and decide on policy recommendations concerning graduate course registration, course and program withdrawal procedures, and on the administration of graduate records.*

The Senate Committee on Graduate Studies has two subcommittees: SGSC Appeal subcommittee (Unsatisfactory Progress under GGR 1.8.2), and the SGSC subcommittee Special Arrangements Steering Committee (Special Arrangements Graduate Program).

SGSC reviewed, recommended, approved and submitted to SCUP and Senate curriculum changes related to the addition, deletion and modification of programs and courses, as well as revisions to relevant regulations.

Programs and Policies Reviewed

- I) BUS - EMBA, MBA, MFRM (changed to Masters of Science in Finance), MOT MBA, GDBA, includes revisions for Aboriginal cohort
- II) MATH - Addition of Operations Research Stream (O.R.)
- III) FHS-MSc

- IV) GGR 1.3.2 Admission to a graduate diploma program
- V) GGR 1.3.2.a Addition of admission to a graduate certificate program
- VI) GGR 1.3.3 Criteria for admission to a master's program
- VII) GGR 1.3.4 Criteria for admission to a doctoral program
- VII) GGR 1.3.8.a Addition of criteria for admission to a concurrent bachelor's-master's program
- VIII) GGR 1.3.11.a Addition of application to complete a non-joint concurrent graduate degree
- IX) GGR 1.7.6 Revised regulation

New programs approved and recommended

BUS- EMBA-addition of elective stream: Management in the Americas
 HSCI PhD

Curriculum Changes Approved

Program Changes	New Courses	Courses deleted	Courses Changed
36	34	5	43

Note: numbers are approximate

Graduate admissions, enrolments and credentials awarded

While graduate applications increased by 1%; offers decreased by 15% and new enrolments decreased by 12.6% in 2010-11 compared to the previous year 2009-10 (applications 5508; offers 2129; new enrolments 1626). Graduate enrolments decreased by 1% to 4610 students from 2010 with 3807 students in degree programs. Credentials awarded included 915 master's degrees and 126 PhD/EdD, an increase of 6.4% in master's and doctorate degrees awarded from last year.

Graduate Admissions	04/05	08/09	09/10	10/11
Applications	3961	4701	5360	5508
Offers	1901	2268	2516	2129
Accepted offers	1512	1891	2037	1827
New Enrolments	1449	1744	1862	1626

Note: data prior to 04/05 is not reliable

Enrolments	2000	2005	2010	2011
Total*	2560	3666	4656	4610
% Change	-	43%	82%	80%
Degree**	2345	2889	3808	3807
% Change	-	23%	62%	62%

*Total headcount of all graduate students (degree, diploma, exchange and qualifying)

** Total headcount of masters and doctoral students

% Change relative to 2000

Credentials Awarded	99/00	04/05	09/10	10/11
Masters (M)	528	651	842	915
Doctoral (D)	108	85	136	126
Total (M&D)	636	736	978	1041
% Change	-	16%	54%	64%

% Change from 00/01 in total masters and doctoral credentials

Note: data is calculated on a FY basis

Tri-council Scholarship Support

The Vanier Scholarship program only came into effect in 2009 and we currently have 10 Vanier Scholarship students. In 2011, 234 students were receiving tri-council funding as opposed to 269 students in 2010. SSHRC awardees totaled 122 as opposed to 139 in 2010. CHIR awardees totaled 16 as opposed to 23 in 2010. NSERC awardees totaled 86 as opposed to 100 in 2010. A greater number of students received the higher value CGS-D across all three agencies. SFU had 3 Trudeau Scholarship award winners enrolled in 2011.

Note: graduate student funding data is contained in the annual report from SPCSAB

SGSC Appeals Subcommittee

In 2011, the subcommittee considered five appeals of unsatisfactory performance where the student was required to withdraw. Two appeals were upheld.

SGSC Special Arrangements Steering Committee

In 2011, five students were admitted to the program and two graduated. At the end of 2011, 18 students remained registered in this program. (note: this data excludes students admitted under Special Arrangements in Health Science)

SGSC members during 2011 were:

W. Parkhouse, Chair (Dean of Graduate Studies)

Christi Garneau-Scott, Ali Assaci, Kamran Reayat, Darius Burbidge and David Pereira, (Graduate Student at Large)

R. Cameron, Chair FGSC, Faculty of Applied Sciences

P. Budra, Chair FGSC, Arts and Social Sciences

C. Collins, Chair FGSC, Business

R. Wakkary, M. Hatala, Chair FGSC, Communication, Art and Technology

J. Nesbit, Chair FGSC, Education

W. Haider, D. Knowler, Chair FGSC, Environment

C. Janes, M. Moore, Chair FGSC, Health Sciences

D. Bingham, P. Ruben, Chair FGSC, Science

G. Agnes, M-E Kelm, P. Liljedahl, Associate Dean(s) Graduate Studies (ex officio)

M. Pope, Director Graduate Records (ex officio)

G. Bird, T. Mundle, University Librarian (ex officio)