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FROM Wade Parkhouse, Dean, Graduate Studies

RE Faculty of Applied Sciences

[GS2010.26]

CC Rob Cameron

DATE April 5, 2011

For information

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of 13 December 2010, the SGSC approved the following curriculum revisions:

Effective Date is January 2012

Faculty of Applied Sciences

[GS2010.26]

a. School of Computing Science

i) Change of unit value: CMPT 898-15 MSc Thesis

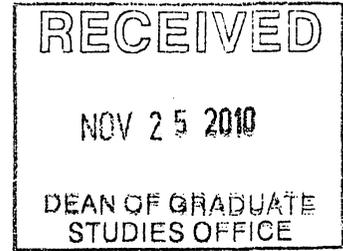
b. School of Engineering Science

i) Change of unit value: ENSC 898-18 MASc Thesis

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ATTENTION	Wade Parkhouse, Dean of Graduate Studies
FROM	Rob Cameron, Associate Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences
RE	Faculty of Applied Sciences Graduate Curriculum Changes
DATE	November 18, 2010

The following graduate course changes were approved at a meeting of the FAS GPC this afternoon.

- 1.) Change in unit value – CMPT 898
- 2.) Change in unit value – ENSC 898

Please place these items on the agenda of the next SGSC meeting.

Enclosures

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE COURSE MINOR CHANGE FORM

This form is to be used when there is a request for a minor change to an existing graduate course. The form is completed by the department and then approved by the Faculty graduate studies committee. It should then be forwarded to the Dean of Graduate Studies for approval by SGSC. SGSC will forward the approval to Senate for information. NOTE: Please complete pertinent sections only

Department or School: Computing Science

Current course

Subject: CMPT (max: 4 chars) **Catalog Number:** 898 **Units:** 6

Course Title: MSC Thesis (max. 80 char)

Short Title (appears on transcripts etc.): MSC Thesis (max. 25 char)

Course Description for Calendar:

Available Course Component:

Lecture Seminar Laboratory Practicum

Grading Basis: Graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory In Progress/Complete

Prerequisites: (if any) _____

Modified course

Subject: CMPT (max: 4 chars) **Catalog Number:** 898 **Units:** 15

Course Title: MSC Thesis (max. 80 char)

Short Title (appears on transcripts etc.): MSC Thesis (max. 25 char)

Course Description for Calendar:

Available Course Component:

Lecture Seminar Laboratory Practicum

Grading Basis: Graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory In Progress/Complete

Prerequisites: (if any) _____

**Attach rationale for changes as a separate document.*

Approvals

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee

[Signature]

Date

Nov. 18, 2010

Senate Graduate Studies Committee

[Signature]

Date

Dec 4/10

Upon approval of the minor course change, the Dean of Graduate Studies office will consult with the department or school regarding other course attributes that may be required to enable the proper entry of the course change in the student record system

CMPT 898 Graduate Course Minor Change - Rationale

1.) Rationale for increasing the units for the CMPT 898 MSc thesis from 6 to 15.

In conjunction with the requirement for 15 units of coursework for the thesis option of the Computing Science MSc program, this would bring the total units for the degree program to the recognized 30 unit standard. Note that this would better reflect the relative expectations of thesis and project options in Computing Science, with CMPT 897 MSc Project remaining at 6 credits.

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Department or School: Engineering Science

Current course

Subject: ENSC (max: 4 chars) **Catalog Number:** 898 **Units:** 6

Course Title: MASc Thesis (max. 80 char)

Short Title (appears on transcripts etc.) MASc Thesis (max. 25 char)

Course Description for Calendar:

Available Course Component:

Lecture Seminar Laboratory Practicum

Grading Basis: Graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory In Progress/Complete

Prerequisites: (if any) _____

Modified course

Subject: ENSC (max: 4 chars) **Catalog Number:** 898 **Units:** 18

Course Title: MASc Thesis (max. 80 char)

Short Title (appears on transcripts etc.) MASc Thesis (max. 25 char)

Course Description for Calendar:

Available Course Component:

Lecture Seminar Laboratory Practicum

Grading Basis: Graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory In Progress/Complete

Prerequisites: (if any) _____

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Approvals

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee [Signature] Date Nov. 18, 2010
Senate Graduate Studies Committee [Signature] Date Dec 14/10

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ENSC 898 Graduate Course Minor Change - Rationale

1. Rationale for increasing the units for the ENSC 898 MAsC thesis from 6 to 18.

In conjunction with the requirement for 12 units of coursework for the thesis option of the Engineering Science MAsC program, this would bring the total units for the degree program to the recognized 30 unit standard. Note that the MAsC program description has long included a reference to an 18-unit thesis, with the current 6-unit weight being an artifact of the introduction of SIMS.