

## SENATE SUMMARY MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2018

### 1. Report of the Chair

The Chair reported that Mathematician Caroline Colijn, from London's Imperial College, will join SFU this year as a *Canada 150 Research Chair*. Professor Colijn will hold the Chair in Mathematics for *Infection, Evolution and Public Health*.

The Chair reported on recent research awards and honours:

- Robert Hogg, Health Sciences, has been appointed to the *Order of Canada* for his advancements in HIV/AIDS research, notably his contributions to understanding the impact of socio-demographic factors on marginalized populations living with HIV/AIDS.
- Doug Stead, who holds the *Forest Renewal BC Chair* in Earth Sciences, received the 2017 *R.F. Legget Medal* from the *Canadian Geotechnical Society*. This is the Society's most senior and prestigious award, given in recognition of Professor Stead's lifelong contribution to the field.
- Gerhard Gries, who holds the *NSERC-Industrial Research Chair in Multimodal Animal Communication Ecology* in Biological Sciences, has received the 2017 Gold Medal from the *Entomological Society of Canada* for his outstanding contributions to the field.
- Paul Garfinkel of History has received the *Helen and Howard R. Marraro Prize* from the *American Historical Association* for his book *Criminal Law in Liberal and Fascist Italy*.
- David Chariandy, Department of English, has received a \$50,000 *Rogers Fiction Prize* from the *Writer's Trust of Canada* for his second novel *Brother*. *Brother* also made the *Giller Prize* long list.

The Chair reported on recent SFU Innovates updates:

- The *Industry Engagement Office* filed 17 patents in the months of November and December, covering a range of disciplines from Mechatronics to Chemistry.
- For the third consecutive year, SFU will be an Innovation Partner for the *BCTECH Summit*, which will be held in May. The *SFU Innovates* display will also include a component on *KEY*, SFU's Big Data Initiative.
- *KEY* successfully concluded the Fall 2017 *Data Visionaries Series*, a series that critically examined the possibilities and impact of data on our future. It featured 12 speakers, and engaged over 550 attendees at across all three campuses. There will be a Spring 2018 series with a new set of speakers addressing the power and potential of Big Data.

The Chair reported that SFU was successful in its bid to host the Asia-Pacific Association for International Education 2020 conference in Vancouver. This marks the first time the conference will be held outside of Asia.

The Chair reported on a number of upcoming events:

- The first *President's Faculty Lecture* of 2018 will be delivered at Harbour Centre on Wednesday, January 31st by Professor Yuezhi Zhao of Communications. The topic of her lecture is *China's Belt and Road Initiative: A Critical Communication Perspective*.
- The *Jack Blaney Award for Dialogue* will be presented at the Morris J Wosk Centre for Dialogue on Tuesday, February 20th to Alice Nderitu in recognition of her international leadership in the use of dialogue to advance peacebuilding and human rights.
- The SFU *Public Square Community Summit* will be offered late in February/early March around the subject The Future of Work.

**2. Program Name Change of the Asia-Canada Program (S.18-1)**

That Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the program name change from Asia-Canada to Global Asia within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2018.

**3. 2016/17 Centres and Institutes Renewal Applications (S.18-2)**

Senate received the 2016/17 Centre and Institutes Renewal Applications for information.

**4. Centre and Institute Report 2016/17 (S.18-3)**

Senate received the Centre and Institute Report 2016/17 for information.

**5. Undergraduate Course Changes (S.18-4)**

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following course changes, effective Fall 2018:

**i) Beedie School of Business**

- Course (description): BUS 321, 420

**ii) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology**

**a) School of Communication**

- Course (prerequisite): CMNS 342, 353, 362, 425, 443, 445, 446, 452

**iii) Faculty of Education**

- Course (prerequisite): EDUC 211, 212
- Course (title, description): EDUC 326

**iv) Faculty of Science**

**a) Biological Sciences**

- Course (description): BISC 113

**b) Molecular Biology and Biochemistry**

- Course (prerequisite): MBB 342
- Course (prerequisite, title, description): MBB 491
- Course (prerequisite, description): MBB 492

**6. Undergraduate New Course Proposals (S.18-5)**

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following new course proposal, effective Fall 2018:

**i) Faculty of Environment**

**a) Resource and Environmental Management**

- Course (new): REM 407, 423, 446, 454
- Course (new): REM 406, 495 (effective Spring 2019)
- Course (new): REM 427 (effective Fall 2019)

**7. Undergraduate Program Changes (S.18-6)**

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following program changes, effective Fall 2018:

**i) Beedie School of Business**

- Program: Business Technology Management Certificate
- Program: International Experiential Learning Certificate

**ii) Faculty of Communication. Art and Technology**

**a) School of Communication**

- Program: Communications Honours

**iii) Faculty of Environment**

**a) School of Resource and Environmental Management**

- Program: Resource and Environmental Management Major

**b) Sustainable Development**

- Program: Sustainability and Development Minor

#### **iv) Faculty of Science**

##### **a) *Molecular Biology and Biochemistry***

- Program: Molecular Biology and Biochemistry and Computing Science  
Joint Major
- Program: Molecular Biology and Biochemistry and Computing Science  
Joint Honours

#### **8. Global Asia Program (S.18-7)**

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, made revisions to the Global Asia Program, effective Summer 2018.

- Course (deletion): ASC 102
- Course (number, title, description): ASC 101
- Acronym change from ASC (Asia Canada Program) to GA (Global Asia Program)
- Program: Global Asia Minor

#### **9. Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (SCUS) Annual Report 2016-2017 (S.18-8)**

Senate received the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies Annual Report 2016-2017 for information.

#### **10. BC High School Admission Requirements (S.18-9)**

Senate approved the changes to the undergraduate admission requirements for BC high school applicants as listed in item S.18-9.

#### **11. BC High School Applicants - Faculty Course Lists (S.18-10)**

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the Grade 11 and 12 List A and B courses for each Faculty to come into effect in two stages, Fall 2019 and Fall 2020.

#### **12. Graduate Course Changes (S.18-11)**

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following course changes, effective Fall 2018:

##### **i) Faculty of Education**

- Course (deletion): EDUC 803, 804, 821, 827, 838, 839, 851, 853, 880, 884, 897, 903, 930, 963, 972

##### **ii) Faculty of Health Sciences**

- Course (prerequisite): HSCI 774, 776
- Course (temporarily withdrawn): HSCI 850, 892

**13. Graduate New Course Proposals (S.18-12)**

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following new course proposals, effective Fall 2018:

**i) Beedie School of Business**

- Course (new): BUS 741, 730

**14. Graduate Program Changes (S.18-13)**

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following program changes, effective Fall 2018:

**i) Beedie School of Business**

- Program: Master of Business Administration

**15. CSAR Master of Arts in Linguistics of a First Nations Language (S.18-14)**

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the Cohort Special Arrangements proposal for Master of Arts in Linguistics of a First Nations Language in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Summer 2018.

**16. Senate Committee Elections (S.18-15)**

Senate received a summary of the nominations, positions elected by acclamation, positions requiring an online vote, and outstanding vacancies for the Senate committees.

The approved Senate minutes will be available online following the February Senate meeting. For more detailed information on each Senate item, please refer to the January 2018 <https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-32151>

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