

SENATE SUMMARY

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2013

1. **Report of the Chair**

The Chair welcomed the new Faculty Senator, Elina Birmingham and then provided an update on several items.

The Chair reported on the British Columbia Labour Market Profile recently released by the Research Universities' Council of BC, which emphasized a net skills shortage within three years and the call for 11,000 new university, college and trades spaces.

The Chair reported on SFU's research success over the past year as evidenced by the recent announcement of the new BC Leadership Chair in Multimodal Technology for Healthcare Innovations, Dr. Ryan D'Arcy – an SFU neuroscientist. D'Arcy will combine health research and technology by linking the Faculty of Applied Sciences at SFU with the medical expertise at Surrey Memorial Hospital and elsewhere in the Fraser Health region.

SFU received Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) funding of \$7.7 million for the Prometheus Project, a joint project of BCIT, UBC, UVIC and led by SFU; and \$1 million in upgrades to the national ATLAS-Canada data centre at TRIUMF.

2. **Response to Questions from Senator Black (S.13-17)**

Senate received a response to questions regarding inter-collegiate athletics from Senator Black for information.

3. **Student Discipline Matters Annual Report – Non-academic Discipline Incidents (S.13-1a)**

Senate received the Student Discipline Matters Annual Report – Non-academic Discipline Incidents from 2011 to 2012 for information.

4. **Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries (SPCSAB) Annual Report 2011-2012 (S.13-18)**

Senate received the Annual Report of the Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries (SPCSAB) for the fiscal year 2011-2012 for information.

5. **Graduate General Regulation 1.3.5a (S.13-19)**

Senate approved the changes to GGR 1.3.5a Cohort Special Arrangements, effective Fall 2013.

- 6. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (S.13-20)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

 - a) School of Contemporary Arts*

 - Courses (new): FPA 821, FPA 822, FPA 823, FPA 824, FPA 825, FPA 826, FPA 827, FPA 829
- 7. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Education (S.13-21)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

 - Program: Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Technology and Learning Design
 - Courses (title): EDUC 931, EDUC 932
- 8. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Environment (S.13-22)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

 - a) Development and Sustainability Program*

 - Courses (new): DEV 802, DEV 803
 - a) Geography*

 - Course (reinstate): GEOG 657
- 9. Suspension of Admission to the Explorations in the Arts and Social Sciences Certificate Program, Explorations Program (S.13-23)**
Senate approved the suspension of admission to the Explorations in the Arts and Social Sciences Certificate Program in the Explorations Program within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2013.
- 10. Dissolution of the Joint Major in Sociology and Art and Culture Studies, School for the Contemporary Arts (S.13-24)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the dissolution of the Joint Major in Sociology and Art and Culture Studies in the School for the Contemporary Arts within the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, effective Fall 2014.

- 11. Certificate in Business Analytics and Decision Making (S.13-25)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Certificate in Business Analytics and Decision Making within the Beedie School of Business, effective Fall 2013.
- 12. Joint Major in World Literature and History (S.13-26)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Joint Major in World Literature and History in the Program in World Literature and Department of History within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2013.
- 13. Joint Major in World Literature and International Studies (S.13-27)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Joint Major in World Literature and International Studies in the Program in World Literature and School for International Studies within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2013.
- 14. Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership (S.13-28)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership within the Faculty of Education, effective Fall 2013.
- 15. Master of Arts in Comparative Media Arts by Cohort Special Arrangements (S.13-29)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the Full Program Proposal for a Master of Arts in Comparative Media Arts by Cohort Special Arrangements in the School for the Contemporary Arts within the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, effective Fall 2013.
- 16. Academic Plan 2013 to 2018 (S.13-30)**
Senate received the Five Year Academic Plan of the Vice-President Academic, 2013 to 2018 for information.
- 17. Report on Learning Outcomes and Assessment (LOA) (S.13-31)**
Senate received the Report on Learning Outcomes and Assessment for information and discussion.
- 18. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (S.13-32)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

 - a) Political Science*

 - Course (W designation): POL 445

- 19. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (S.13-33)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:
- a) School of Interactive Arts and Technology*
- Course (title, description): IAT 352
- 20. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Environment (S.13-34)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:
- a) Geography*
- Course (new): GEOG 442
- 21. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Health Sciences (S.13-35)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:
- Courses (prerequisite): HSCI 100, HSCI 406, HSCI 442, HSCI 477
- 22. Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Science (S.13-36)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:
- a) Biological Sciences*
- Program: Biological Sciences Major and Honours
 - Courses (prerequisite): BISC 307, BISC 307W
- b) Molecular Biology and Biochemistry*
- Course (number, title, description, prerequisite): MBB 242
 - Courses (prerequisites): MBB 222, MBB 231
- c) Mathematics*
- Program: Mathematics Major and Honours
- 23. Senate Committee Elections (S.13-37)**
Senate received a revised summary from the Senate Nominating Committee of nominations received and outstanding vacancies for positions on Senate committees that are elected by Senate.

24. Election Report to Senate (S.13-38)

Senate received the results of a faculty election to Senate for information.

The approved Senate minutes will be available online following the next Senate meeting. For more detailed information on each Senate item, please refer to the February Senate documents at <https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-20098>.

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