

SENATE SUMMARY MEETING OF MAY 25, 2021

1. Report of the Chair

The Chair reported that the new Bullying and Harassment Policy was recently approved by the Board of Governors, as was the amended Human Rights Policy. In addition to the approval, there is now an opportunity to take online training in relation to bullying and harassment.

The Chair reported that SFU has named Tom Nault as its next Registrar, effective July 5, 2021. Tom is currently the Registrar and Secretary to Senate at Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland.

The Chair reported that Chantelle Gibson, a university lecturer in the School of Interactive Arts and Technology, has earned a 2021 3M National Teaching Fellowship Award.

The Chair reported that on May 11th, as part of the President's Faculty Lectures, Professor of Chemistry Steven Holdcroft spoke on the topic of plastics. The series will continue on June 1st with Kelly Lee, a professor in the Faculty of Health Sciences, speaking on the topic of *Pandemics and Borders: How to Manage Travel Restrictions More Effectively*.

On the topic of a return to campus for the Fall 2021 term, the Vice-President, Academic reported that the Executive Committee of the University has made the decision to follow the Plan A route in September, which aims for a 70-80% return to in-person teaching, research and engagement activities. An announcement to this effect will be sent to all SFU Community members on May 26th.

A question was asked about a return to work for faculty and staff who are immunocompromised, or have immunocompromised family members, when the University cannot guarantee a safe workplace. Senate was informed that SFU will not have a vaccine requirement for those returning to campus, but that the best way to protect yourself and your family is to get vaccinated. It was added that the University has a legal requirement to ensure there is appropriate accommodation in place for those seeking accommodation for health reasons.

2. Student Conduct Policy (S10.05) Revisions (S.21-54)

Senate received the Student Conduct Policy (S10.05) Revisions for consultation.

3. Full Program Proposal for a Master of Arts in Indigenous Languages and Linguistics (S.21-55)

Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Master of Arts in Indigenous Languages and Linguistics in the Department of Linguistics within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2022 or later.

- 4. Name Change for the Linguistics of a First Nations Language Graduate Certificate (S.21-56)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the program name change from Linguistics of a First Nations Language Graduate Certificate to Indigenous Languages and Linguistics Graduate Certificate in the Department of Linguistics within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Spring 2022.
- 5. Suspension of Admission: Certificate in Creative Writing (S.21-57)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the suspension of admission to them Certificate in Creative Writing in the Department of English within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2021.
- 6. Termination of the Asia-Canada Extended Minor (S.21-58)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the program termination of the AsiaCanada Extended Minor in the Global Asia Program within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Spring 2022.
- 7. External Reviews for 2021-2022 (S.21-59)**
Senate received External Reviews for 2021-2022 for information.
- 8. Senate Committee on University Priorities (SCUP) Annual Report 2020/2021 (S.21-60)**
Senate received the Senate Committee on University Priorities (SCUP) Annual Report 2020/2021 for information.
- 9. English Language Requirement Change (ELC) (S.21-61)**
Senate approved that completion of SFU's English Language and Culture (ELC) Low Advanced Level satisfies the English language competency requirement for undergraduate admission to SFU starting Fall 2021.
- 10. Undergraduate Program Changes (S.21-62)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following program changes, effective Spring 2022:
 - i) Faculty of Applied Sciences**
 - a) School of Sustainable Energy Engineering**
 - Program: Sustainable Energy Engineering Major
 - ii) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology**
 - a) School of Communication**
 - Program: Communication Major
 - Program: Communication Extended Minor
 - Program: Communication Honours
 - Program: Anthropology and Communication Joint Major
 - Program: Sociology and Communication Joint Major
 - Program: Business and Communication Joint Major
 - Program: Communication and Interactive Arts and Technology Joint Major BA

- Program: Communication and Interactive Arts and Technology Joint Major BSc
- Program: English and Communication Joint Major
- Program: Communication Minor
- Program: Communication Second Degree

iii) Faculty of Health Sciences

- Program: Health Sciences Major BA
- Program: Health Sciences Honours BA
- Program: Health Sciences Major BSc
- Program: Health Sciences Honours BSc
- Program: Philosophy and Health Sciences Joint Major
- Program: Health Sciences Minor

11. Undergraduate New Course Proposals (S.21-63)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following new course proposals, effective Spring 2022:

i) Faculty of Applied Sciences

a) *School of Sustainable Energy Engineering*

- Course (new): SEE 475, 476, 477

ii) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

a) *School of Communication*

- Course (new): CMNS 120W

iii) Faculty of Health Sciences

- Course (new): HSCI 341

12. Undergraduate Course Changes (S.21-64)

Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following course changes, effective Spring 2022:

i) Faculty of Applied Sciences

a) *School of Computing Science*

- Course (title): CMPT 489

ii) Beedie School of Business

- Course (equivalency): BUS 446

iii) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

a) School of Communication

- Course (prerequisite): CMNS 201, 201W, 202, 210, 221, 226, 230, 240, 253W, 286, 287
- Course (prerequisite, title): CMNS 235
- Course (temporarily withdrawn): CMNS 220, 223W, 259

b) School of Interactive Arts and Technology

- Course (title, description, prerequisite): IAT 438

iv) Faculty of Health Sciences

- Course (number, prerequisite, equivalency): HSCI 307
- Course (number, title, description, prerequisite, equivalency): HSCI 330
- Course (prerequisite): HSCI 403, 408, 410, 416, 424, 431, 432, 475, 478, 483, 484, 496

13. Summer and Fall 2021 Elective Grade System and Withdrawal Deadlines (S.21-65)

Senate received the Summer and Fall 2021 Elective Grade System and Withdrawal Deadlines for information.

14. Senate Committee on University Teaching and Learning (SCUTL) Annual Report 2020/2021 (S.21-66)

Senate received the Senate Committee on University Teaching and Learning (SCUTL) Annual Report 2020/2021 for information.

15. Graduate Program Changes (S.21-67)

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following program change, effective Spring 2022:

i) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

a) Publishing Program

- Program: Publishing MPub

16. Graduate New Course Proposals (S.21-68)

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following new course proposal, effective Spring 2022:

i) Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

a) Publishing Program

- Course (new): PUB 611

17. Graduate Course Changes (S.21-69)

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following course changes, effective Spring 2022:

i) Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

a) *Linguistics*

- Course (title, description): LING 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 893

b) *Sociology and Anthropology*

- Course (description, prerequisite): SA 857
- Course (temporary withdrawal): SA 857 (effective Summer 2022)
- Course (deletion): SA 841, 849

18. Senate Committee Elections (S.21-70)

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

19. Election Report to Senate (S.21-71)

Senate received the Election Report to Senate for information.

The approved Senate minutes will be available online following the July Senate meeting. For more detailed information on each Senate item, please refer to the May 2021 Senate documents: <https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-34883>.

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