

Meeting minutes of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) held on December 4, 2018 in the Thesis Defence Room, SFU Library

Present:

Zoë Druick (Acting chair)
George Agnes (Associate Dean)
Nicole White (Library)
Chantal Turpin (GSS representative)
Krista Gerlich-Fitzgerald (Associate Director)
Daria Babeshko (Curriculum)
Kathleen Vieira-Ribeiro (Secretary)

Faculty Chair:

Sean Zwagerman (FASS)
Andrew Gemino (BUS)
Stuart Poyntz (FCAT)
Wanda Cassidy (EDUC)
Dongya Yang (FENV)
Lawrence McCandless (designate for FHS)
Michael Silverman (designate for SCI)

Graduate Student:

Shuna Ho

Regrets:

Jeff Derksen (Chair)
Faisal Beg (FAS)
Sarah Lord Ferguson (Graduate Student)

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| 1. Approval of agenda | Approved |
| 2. Review of the SGSC minutes of November 6, 2018 | Approved |
| 3. Business arising from the minutes | |
| 4. Chair's Report | |

The Chair expressed appreciation to C. Turpin whose term of office expires at the end of the month. C. Turpin will be replaced by T. Budd as the GSS representative on SGSC.

5. For Approval

5.1 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Department of English

5.1.1 Program change (calendar revision): English MA for Teachers of English

W. Cassidy recognized the importance of the program and its contribution to the needs of teachers within the field. A committee member requested to add a sentence indicating whether the project is examined like a thesis and has to be submitted to the library.

A. Gemino joined the meeting.

Moved by S. Zwagerman; seconded by C. Turpin **Approved subject to revisions**

5.2 Faculty of Environment

- 5.2.1 Program change (calendar revision): Development and Sustainability Graduate Certificate

School of Resource and Environmental Management

- 5.2.2 New course: REM 898 Thesis Proposal

Moved by D. Yang; seconded by M. Silverman

Approved

- 5.2.3 Program changes (calendar revisions): Resource and Environmental Management PhD

Moved by D. Yang; seconded by S. Zwagerman

Approved

S. Ho joined the meeting.

5.3 Faculty of Health Sciences

L. McCandless joined the meeting.

- 5.3.1 New course: HSCI 895 Special Topics in Experiential Global Health Learning

- 5.3.2 Course change (description): HSCI 805

- 5.3.3 Course changes (prerequisite): HSCI 803, HSCI 807, HSCI 822, HSCI 823, HSCI 825, HSCI 826, HSCI 829, HSCI 830, HSCI 839, HSCI 841, HSCI 842, HSCI 845, HSCI 849, HSCI 855, HSCI 870, HSCI 886, HSCI 889, HSCI 890, HSCI 891, HSCI 902, HSCI 903

- 5.3.4 Program change (calendar revision): Health Sciences MPH

Moved by G. Agnes; seconded by W. Cassidy

Approved

5.4 Faculty of Sciences

Departments of Statistics and Actuarial Science

- Course change (title, description, prerequisite, equivalency): STAT 650

Moved by M. Silverman; seconded by C. Turpin

Approved

6. For Information

6.1 Faculty of Applied Science

School of Computing Science

- 6.1.1 Course change (equivalency): CMPT 705

Approved under delegated authority

7. For Discussion

7.1 Grading of capstone courses

The discussion focused on switching from IP/CO to Sat/Unsat grading for capstone courses. Associate deans will consult with their academic units and provide feedback at the following SGSC meeting.

8. Other Business
9. The date for the next SGSC meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2019 (*Material Deadline December 13, 2018 at noon*)