

MEMORANDUM

**TO: Ms Karen Roche
Secretary of Senate**

**FROM: Dr. Rhonda Koster
Chair, Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee**

SUBJECT: Report of Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee

DATE: 8 April 2009

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A. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2008-5 OF MAY 20, 2008

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee has been unable to review the previously deferred Modular Curriculum proposal referred from Senate Meeting #2008-5 of May 20, 2008, item 4.2. Because the original proposal is not viable at this time, the Committee recommends the proposal be referred again through Senate once a new proposal can be developed.

B. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2008-6 OF JUNE 13, 2008

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on March 31, 2009 to review the previously deferred calendar changes referred from Senate Meeting #2008-6 of June 13, 2008, item 5, and makes the following recommendations:

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the Business Minor Programs calendar change with revisions. The effective date for the change, as noted in the second paragraph of the transition plan information, will be September 2009. The requirements of the introductory paragraph will be reworded as:

Minors are available for Honours Bachelor of Commerce students in their third or fourth years. To successfully complete any business minor, a student must achieve a minimum course mark of 60% in each of the courses specified in the minor.

In order to comply with the definition of a minor, the requirements of three of the minors will be adjusted as follows:

(a) Business Finance Minor
Business 2019 – Finance I
Business 2039 – Finance II
Plus any 2.0 Full Course Equivalent Electives listed in the Finance Area of Concentration

(c) Marketing Minor
Business 2014 – Marketing Management I
Business 2034 – Marketing Management II
Business 3014 – Marketing Research I
Business 3054 – Sales and Merchandising Management
Plus 1.0 Full Course Equivalent Elective listed in the Marketing Area of Concentration

(d) Accounting Minor
Business 1012 – Financial Accounting
Business 2012 – Management Accounting
Business 2052 – Intermediate Financial Accounting I
Plus 1.5 Full Course Equivalent Electives selected from:
Business 3012 – Advanced Financial Accounting
Business 3052 – Intermediate Financial Accounting II
Business 3072 – Cost Accounting
Business 4032 – Topics in Financial Accounting
Business 4272 – Taxation
Business 4412 – Auditing I

C. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2008-8 OF NOVEMBER 7, 2008

1. Faculty of Business Administration - Administrative Studies Major – Honours Bachelor of Commerce

Further to the Committee's report to the March 20, 2008 Senate meeting, the Committee notes the following editorial information:

The Faculty of Business Administration has noted that Business minors will not be available in Orillia. The two courses, Business 4335 and 4337, should be numbered instead as: Business 4311 – Managing in a Global Environment and Business 4331 – Current Topics in Management. The course 2317 should be a Business, not Economics, course. The grade scheme pass/fail should be added to the course description of Business 3310. Minor editorial changes should be made to the first sentences of the course descriptions of Business 3312, 4315, 4316, 4318, 4335, 4337, and 4391.

D. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2008-9 OF DECEMBER 5, 2008

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on March 31, 2009 to review the calendar change item, referred from Senate meeting #2008-9 of December 5, 2008, that was deferred in exception to the other changes in Bio-Molecular Science that were recommended for approval in the Committee's report to the January 23rd Senate meeting, and makes the following recommendation:

.1 Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies – Applied Bio-Molecular Science (item 3 – four-year BSc)

The Committee recommends to Senate the approval of the four-year BSc (Applied Bio-Molecular Science Major), a non-direct entry program, as an alternate route for graduation to retain students who are unable to achieve the major average of the HBSc.

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on April 7, 2009 to review the calendar change item, referred from Senate meeting #2008-9 of December 5, 2008, that was deferred in the Committee's report to the January 23rd Senate meeting, and makes the following recommendation:

.2 Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities – Sociology – Add Critical Inquiry

The Committee does not recommend approval of the proposed new course, Sociology 2310 – Critical Inquiry for Social Thinkers. The Committee felt the content as described is not considered to be sufficiently different to justify creating a new course and the Committee was particularly concerned about the redundancy of creating two separate Lakehead University courses with similar content for the two campuses.

.3 Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities – Sociology – Change 2911

In its report, Part 1 C, to the January 23rd Senate meeting, the Committee recommended that the program changes associated with the new Critical Inquiry course, above, be approved; therefore, the Committee is now reversing its recommendation and does not recommend the program changes for approval.

E. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2009-1 OF JANUARY 23, 2009

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on March 17, 2009 to review the previously deferred calendar changes referred from Senate Meeting #2009-1 of January 23, 2009 and makes the following recommendations:

1. Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences – Gerontology Minor

The Committee recommends that the Minor in Gerontology be approved, with the following revised wording:

6. Minor Program in Gerontology

The minor concentration in Gerontology consists of three FCEs: Gerontology 1110 and 1130 plus 2 FCEs in Gerontology (at least one FCE at the third year level or beyond). It is recommended that students in the Minor Program enrol in Gerontology 4719. A minimum average of 60% is required in each of the courses taken to graduate with a Gerontology minor.

Note:

1. A cross-calendared course can only be used towards either a major or a minor, not both. It is recommended that the student register in the Gerontology section of the cross-calendared course.
2. Students who have taken Gerontology 1100 may not take Gerontology 1110 or 1130 as an elective for credit.
3. Some Gerontology courses have departmental prerequisites or are only open to students outside the department/school with permission of the instructor. Students continue to be governed by the regulations of the university and their Major department. Students are advised to plan their programs in consultation with their Major department.

F. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2009-2 OF FEBRUARY 27, 2009

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on March 17, 2009 to review the previously deferred calendar changes referred from Senate Meeting #2009-2 of February 27, 2009 and makes the following recommendations:

1. Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment

(a) Forestry 1110 & 1330

The Committee recommends that the change in hours of instruction for Forestry 1110 and 1330 be approved.

.2 Faculty of Engineering

(a) Regulation #8 - probation

The Committee recommends that the last sentence, regarding probation, be removed from the Faculty of Engineering Regulations 2 (c).

(b) Civil Engineering

The Committee recommends that the proposed course changes in Engineering be approved with revisions. In Engineering 0137, the first sentence should begin with "Elements and operations of various" and end with "are discussed" and the second sentence should begin with "The course content". The second sentence of Engineering 0553 should begin "Topics to be considered include:" and the final sentence should begin "Basic concepts and applications are presented in different". The first sentence of Engineering 2138 should start "An introduction to" and the words "in the course" should be deleted from the end of the second last sentence. Engineering 0136 should be renumbered as Engineering 4056, the prerequisite should be "Engineering 3014 or permission of the instructor" because the equivalency is subjective, not quantifiable. In addition to changing Engineering 4056 from an elective to required course, associated program changes include changing the course number in the program description of the Civil Engineering Degree Program, Fourth Year, fall term, and in the Chemical Engineering Degree Program, Chemical Engineering Elective Courses list. As well, the hours of instruction of Engineering 4056 should instead match the hours "3-1.5; 0-0" as shown in the program description of the Fourth Year fall term of the Civil Engineering program.

G. ITEMS REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2009-3 OF MARCH 20, 2009

The Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee met on April 7, 2009 to review the calendar changes referred from Senate Meeting #2009-3 of March 20, 2009 and makes the following recommendations:

.1 Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

(a) Women's Studies

The Committee recommends that the proposed new concurrent HBA (Women's Studies), BEd, Primary-Junior and Junior-Intermediate Specializations, be approved.

.2 Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

(a) Mathematics 0140

The Committee recommends that the proposed changes to Mathematics 0140 be approved with revisions. The new title for Mathematics 0140 should be "Concepts of Basic Mathematics for Teachers" and the newly added restrictive statement should state: "This course may not be used to fulfill Mathematics or Science requirements for any other programs."

(b) Mathematics 1110

The Committee recommends that the proposed deletion of Mathematics 1110 and replacement with the new courses, Mathematics 1130 and 1131, be approved with revisions. The introductory sentence of Mathematics 1130 should begin “Students are taught the principles...” and Mathematics 1131 should begin “Continues on from...” The final sentence beginning “Examples” should be split into two sentences, ending at “appropriate” and starting with “The students”.

A number of items from previous meetings remain outstanding: Aboriginal Education (referred at the December 5, 2008 Senate meeting); Education 1572 (referred at the January 23, 2009 Senate meeting); Native Access Program, Indigenous Learning 1100, Basic General Science 0261, Anthropology, Geoarchaeology, Geography 4211 Prerequisites, Nursing – General, Kinesiology – Calculation of Average (referred at the March 20, 2009 Senate meeting); and Proposal for Articulation Agreement with Confederation College Environmental Technician Program (referred at March 20, 2009 Senate meeting).

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