

## **GFC Standing Committee Report**

**Committee: Admission Standards Committee** 

For the Period of July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

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**Meeting Overview:** During the 2021/2022 academic year, the Admission Standards Committee (ASC) met on the following five dates September 21, 2021, October 19, 2021, November 16, 2021, April 6, 2022 and May 17, 2022.

Full details on ASC agenda, decisions, and policy documents can be found through the ASC links on the GFC website at: ulethbridge.ca/governance/general-faculties-council/admissions-standards-committee

Items of particular interest from the 2021/2022 academic year include:

## 1. Application Deadline and Intake Changes

- **a.** *Updated*: Implementation of three intakes per year for the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Clinical study of Addiction.
  - i. Summer deadline March 1
  - ii. Fall deadline July 1
  - iii. Spring deadline November 1
- **b.** New: Certificate in Arts & Science implemented December 13, 2021.
- **c. New:** Creation of the Business Analytics concentration intake in the MSc (Management) effective December 13, 2021.
- d. **Change:** to the admission intake from the Fall term to the Summer term for the Addiction and Mental Health Psychotherapy major in the Graduate Diploma effective May 1, 2022.
- e. Change: Fall only intake to Dramatic Arts major in the Master of Arts effective May 1, 2022.
- f. **New:** Admission pathway for the Management Research major in the Graduate Diploma program to the Master of Science in Management program pending ministerial approval.
- g. New: Graduate Certificate in Couple and Family Counselling pending ministerial approval.

## 2. Admission Requirements

- a. *Change:* The Epidemiology course from required to recommended background in the Epidemiology and Biostatistics major in the Graduate Certificate effective December 12, 2021.
- b. *Change:* The description of the Letter of Intent Requirements for the Master of Science in Management
- c. **Change:** Removing the supervisor support at the point of application to the Dramatic Arts major in the Master of Arts effective May 1, 2022.

- d. **New:** Admission requirements for the proposed Management Research major in the Graduate Diploma program pending ministerial approval.
- e. **New:** Admission requirements for the Foundations in Data Science major in the Graduate Certificate program pending Ministerial approval.
- f. **Change:** application deadline from February 1st to February 15th for the Master of Science in Management.
- g. **Updated:** Master of Nursing clarify admission requirements from the required good standing in Canadian Jurisdiction to providing Canadian Jurisdiction evidence by the end of the first fall term.
- h. **New:** permanent acceptance of the online English Language Proficiency assessments CAEL, Duolingo, and TOEFL for undergraduate and graduate admission effective May 2, 2022.
- Updated: Adjustment of minimum scores for Cambridge English Qualification Exams to align with IELTS standards for the undergraduate English Language Proficiency admission requirement effective May 2, 2022.
- j. **New:** Addition of the Cambridge English Qualification Exams to the graduate English Language Proficiency admission requirement pending Grad Council effective May 2, 2022.
- k. **Updated:** GMAT waiver requirements for the MSC Management.

## 3. Noteworthy

- a. *Updated:* Tables in the Admission section of the Graduate calendar to group credential types.
- **b. Updated:** Clarify the language for continuing students who want to change their program or major
- c. **Updated:** Moved the Conditional English Language Proficiency via EAP into the English Language Proficiency Requirement section of the Graduate Calendar.
- d. **Updated:** The notification of official admission status by program tables in the Graduate Calendar.
- e. **Updated:** Explanation of Terms in the Admission sections of the Graduate and Undergraduate Calendars moved to a glossary.
- f. **Exploration:** Shared with the committee how other post secondary institutions utilize laddering credentials

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