

To: General Faculties Council

<b>Agenda Item</b>	Curriculum Coordinating Committee
<b>Action Requested</b>	Review by General Faculties Council
<b>Purpose</b>	A summary of activity in the 2022-2023 academic year. Submitted September 15, 2023

## OVERVIEW

*“A committee of General Faculty Council that considers and makes recommendations on proposals related to academic regulations, program requirements and curriculum changes.”*

-Curriculum Process Guide

The Curriculum Coordinating Committee met several times in the 2022-2023 academic year, reviewing numerous proposals regarding academic regulations, program requirements and curriculum changes for the 2023-2024 Graduate and Undergraduate Academic Calendar and Course Catalogues. The attached report includes notable changes made to academic regulations and curriculum in the 2022-2023 academic year. Please see attachment for full report.

## 1. Meetings

During 2022-2023, the Curriculum Coordinating Committee (CCC) met for four meetings: October 17, 2022; November 21, 2022; February 13, 2023; May 15, 2023.

## 2. Policy Actions

Full details on CCC agendas, decisions, and policy documents can be found on the Committee SharePoint site: <https://uleth.sharepoint.com/sites/curriculum-coordinating-committee>.

Items of particular interest include (see the CCC minutes for a full list):

### a. School of Graduate Studies

- Update: Changes to the full-time and Part-Time Studies in the General Regulations in the Master of Arts, Master of Science, and Master of Science in Management degrees
- Update: Changes to the Fees subsection in the Master of Science in Management degree
- Update: Changes to the program description and course requirements for the Master of Fine Arts degree
- Addition: Addition of the Failed Thesis Examination policy to the Degree Requirements of the MA, MEd, MFA, MMus, MN, MSc, MSc Mgt, and PhD degrees
- Addition: Addition of courses for the proposed Couple and Family Counselling Studies major in the Graduate Certificate credential
- Addition: Addition of the Couple and Family Counselling Studies major in the Graduate Certificate credential
- Deletion: Deletion of the French/German and German majors from the Master of Arts degree

### b. Faculty of Arts & Science

- Update: Editorial changes to the Academic Standings of the Cultural, Social and Political Thought major in the Doctor of Philosophy degree
- Update: Editorial changes to the Statement of Purpose and the Course Requirements of the Cultural, Social and Political Thought major in the Doctor of Philosophy degree
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Agricultural Studies Programs (BSc - Agricultural Studies, Post-Diploma BA - Agricultural Studies)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Agricultural Biotechnology program (BSc – Agricultural Biotechnology)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Anthropology Programs (BA – Anthropology, BA/BMgt – Anthropology, BA/BEEd – Anthropology/Social Studies Education)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Biology Programs (BSc – Biological Sciences, BSc/BMgt – Biological Sciences, BSc/BEEd – Biological Sciences/Science Education)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Chemistry & Biochemistry Programs (BSc – Biochemistry, BSc – Chemistry, BSc/BMgt – Chemistry, BSc/BEEd – Chemistry/Science Education)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for English Programs (BA – English, BA/BMgt – English, BA/BEEd – English/English Language Arts Education)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements to the curriculum for the Environmental Science Programs (BSc – Environmental Science, Post-Diploma BSc – Environmental Science)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Department of Economics (MA – Economics)

- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Geography Programs (BA – Archaeology, BSc – Archaeology and Geography, BSc – Geography, BA – Urban and Regional Studies)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for History programs
- Update: Changes to the Minor in Linguistics
- Update: Changes to the contact hours for the Department of Indigenous Studies
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Kinesiology programs
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Mathematics and Computer Science programs
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Modern Languages programs (B.A. /B.Ed. (French/Spanish/Modern Languages Education: French/Spanish), B.A. (French/Spanish), B.A./B.Mgt. (French/Spanish), Minor in Japanese, Minor in Spanish)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Neuroscience programs
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Philosophy programs (BA – Philosophy, BA/BMgt – Philosophy)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Physics and Astronomy Programs (BSc – Physics, BSc/BMgt – Physics, BSc/BEd – Physics/Science Education, BSc – Remote Sensing, Minor in Physics)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Sociology Programs (BA – Sociology, BA/BMgt – Sociology, BA/BEd – Sociology/Social Sciences Education)
- Update: Course and program changes to the curriculum for the Department of Political Science, and related changes (BA – Agricultural Studies, BA – Canadian Studies, BA – Urban and Regional Studies)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Psychology Programs (BA – Psychology, BSc – Psychology), BA/BMgt – Psychology, BSc/BMgt – Psychology)
- Various changes to curriculum that are not attached to a particular department (see below)
  - Update: Adjust to the Arts & Science disciplines list
  - Update: Merging of the Departments of History and Religious Studies to the Department of History and Religion Studies
  - Update: Changes to the Arts & Science Certificate
  - Update: Changes to the Bachelor of Arts and Science degree
  - Update: Changes to the BSc (General Major in the Sciences), BSc/BMgt (General Major in the Sciences), BSc/BEd (General Major in the Social Sciences/Science Education), BSc/BEd (General Major in the Sciences/Mathematics Education) programs
  - Update: Changes to prerequisites for All Undergraduate Theses (numbering 4995) offered in the Faculty of Arts and Science
  - Update: Changes to the Undergraduate Thesis policy
  - Update: Changes to the Arts and Science Certificate (English Stream)
  - Update: Changes to the Arts and Science Certificate (new Scientific Literacy and Knowledge Stream)
  - Update: Changes to Professional Transfer Programs
  - Update: Changes to Degree after professional degree
  - Update: Changes to B.Eng. (Agricultural Infrastructure Engineering)
  - Update: Changes to Indigenous Student Success Certificate
  - Addition: New Dual Degree with Bond University (BA/LLB)
  - Addition: New Program (BA – Philosophy, Ethics, and Law)

- Addition: Minor in Philosophy of Science and Knowledge Production
- Addition: Minor in Creative Writing

#### **c. Dhillon School of Business**

- Update: Changes to the program requirements for BA/BMgt or BSc/BMgt Degree program, Economics major
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Finance (BMgt; Post-Diploma; BMgt as a second degree; Finance Diploma; Certificate in Management; BA/BMgt; BSc/BMgt programs)
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for Indigenous Governance and Business Management Diploma and Combined Degree
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for International Management
- Update: Changes to the list of Finance electives
- Update: Changes to the Supply Chain and Operations Management Minor
- Update: Changes to the GPA calculation for DSB programs
- Update: Changes to Minimum Grade Requirements for DSB courses in the Combined BFA – New Media Program
- Update: Editorial changes to the Dhillon School of Business program requirements
- Update: Changes to the Academic Standards in the Dhillon School of Business
- Addition: New Diploma of the Dhillon School of Business – Marketing Major
- Addition: New Master of Financial Analytics and Innovation Program
- Deletion: Deletion of the Visiting, Auditing and Exchange Students subsection in the General Regulations of the Master of Science in Management degree

#### **d. Faculty of Education**

- Update: Changes to the load change from 36.0 credit hours to 39.0 credit hours and the inclusion of the Professional Portfolio to the Master of Counselling degree
- Update: Changes to the B.Ed. CTS Education Minor
- Update: Changes to the B.Ed. CTS Community Health Focus Minor
- Update: Changes to the ELA Minor
- Addition: Addition of explanations for the thesis proposal, written thesis, and thesis oral defence to the General, Educational Leadership, and Counselling Psychology majors in the Master of Education degree
- Addition: Addition of the Early Years Bachelor of Education Program
- Deletion: Deletion of the Bachelor of Education after Teaching Training program

#### **e. Faculty of Fine Arts**

- Update: Changes to Drama Programs (BFA – Dramatic Arts, BFA – Dramatic Arts/BEd, BA – Drama/BEd, BA (Drama)/BMgt, Theatre Studies Minor)
- Update: Changes to Art Programs (BFA – Art and BFA – Art/Ed programs)
- Update: Changes to Music Programs (BMus, BMus/BEd, BA/BEd (Music/Music Education)
- BA – Music/BMgt, BFA – Multidisciplinary)
- Update: Changes to New Media Programs (BFA – NMED, BFA – NMED/BSc [Computer Science], BFA – NMED/BMgt, BFA – NMED/BEd, Cinema Minor)
- Update: Changes to the Music electives list in the Bachelor of Music program
- Addition: The addition of the Creative and Professional Writing Minor
- Deletion: The suspension of the Master of Arts (Art) program

- Deletion: The suspension of the Master of Arts (New Media) program

#### **f. Faculty of Health Sciences**

- Update: Changes to the Mental Health Minor list
- Update: Changes to the Nursing electives list
- Update: Changes to program requirements to the Addictions Counselling major
- Update: Changes to the contact hours for the Aboriginal Health Practicum course
- Update: Changes to program requirements for the Bachelor of Nursing After Degree program
- Update: Changes to the program requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences Public Health program
- Update: Changes to the course requirements in the Public Health post-diploma program
- Addition: Addition of language to the Program Policy section of the calendar
- Deletion: Removal all co- and pre-requisites for Nursing courses in the Course Catalogue

#### **g. School of Liberal Education**

- Update: Changes to the Social Sciences List II
- Update: Changes to the Sciences List I
- Update: Changes to the Liberal Education Requirements for the 40-course degree

#### **h. Student Enrolment & Registrar Services**

- Update: Change to the Fall 2022 academic dates
- Update: Changes to the Master of Nursing's administrator in the Leave of Absence table
- Update: Changes to the Western Deans' Agreement policy in the Registration section
- Addition: Addition of the Academic Schedule for 2024-2025, with draft years 2025-26 and 2026-27
- Addition: Addition of a new Calendar section called "Historical Disruptions to Learning"
- Addition: Addition of the Graduate Certificate in Couple and Family Counselling Studies, Bachelor of Education Early Years Education and Indigenous Student Success Certificate to the Residence Requirement and Time Limits table
- Addition: Addition of appendix to Academic Schedule Guidelines
- Addition: Addition of an Institutional Credit Framework (Academic Framework)
- Deletion: Removal of repetitive and outdated language in the preamble of the Policies section in Academic Regulations

Respectfully submitted to General Faculties Council on Sept 15, 2023,



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