GFC Standing Committee Report

Committee: Admission Standards Committee

For the Period of July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Members: Natasia Buis Deering (chair), Kendra Fuglerud, Scott Marchant, Erin Nordquist, Shawn Johnsrude, Kim Brigitzer, Sharon Pelech, James Dobbie, Marc Roussel, Janelle Fyfe/Michaela Schultchen, Harold Jansen, Wilf Roesler, Toupey Luft, Chris Kerich, Doug MacArthur, Laura Vogelsang, Rhys Stevens, Lisa Johnson, Emma Scott, Kimoya Edwards, Ridwan Tajudeen, Clay Bryden, Duane Rockerbie, Shawn Coburn (as recording secretary)

Meeting Overview: mention number or meetings, report on actions taken etc.

- Eight meetings (Sept, Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May)
- Responsible for approving and making recommendations to GFC on policies and procedures regarding the admission of applicants to ULethbridge programs.
    - Includes: confirming admission requirements for new programs (graduate and undergraduate), updating existing admission requirements, maintaining/adjusting application deadlines, updates to program campus delivery, and recommendations to calendar policy changes regarding admission and transfer.
- Format of meetings:
    - Welcome; approval of previous minutes; new business (all items voted on according to quorum); items for information and discussion; other business; adjournment.
    - Approved items brought forward for GFC consideration.

Special Mention:

- Approved in 2025/2026
    - Launched a three-year trial removal of the GMAT as an admission requirement for the Master of Science in Management (including Business Analytics Concentration) effective Fall 2026 (approved November 2025).
    - Following a three-year trial (concluding with the Fall 2026 intake), removed the Casper assessment as an admission requirement for the Bachelor of Nursing After Degree program. The Faculty of Health Sciences is moving forward with revised admission requirements that include a faculty developed and assessed asynchronous online interview (approved January 2026).
    - Approved the reactivation of the Human Resource Management & Labour Relations major for BBA admission (approved January 2026).
    - Approved revised admission requirements for high school applicants from the Atlantic provinces (approved April 2026).

- Approved updates to the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Education Combined Degrees Program enabling direct entry for qualified high school applicants; this coincides with the introduction of a progression requirement for PSI registration following the completion of a minimum 25 ULethbridge courses (approved May 2026).
- Introduced Advanced Standing as a non-grade designation in coordination with the Curriculum Coordinating Committee (approved May 2026).

Natasha Buis Deering / Committee Chair
Executive Director (SEM) and Registrar