

The 512th Meeting of the Trent University Senate

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 2:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Minutes

Present were: Senators Leo Groarke, Riley Ambrose, Joel Baetz, Suzanne Bailey, Peri Ballantyne, Stephen Brown, Cathy Bruce, Craig Brunetti, Kristy Bucciari, Shutao Cao, Michael Chan-Reynolds, Kirk Collins, Finis Dunaway, Noah Edwards, Wenying Feng, Scott Henderson, Holger Hintelmann, Thomas Hossie, Richard Hurley, Michael Khan, William Kim, Jean-François Koprivnjak, Hugo Lehmann, Paul Manning, Kelly McGuire, Liam Mitchell, Heather Nicol, Kathryn Norlock, Karleen Pendleton Jiménez, Catalina Sagarra, Paula Sherman, Mark Skinner, Emily Tufts, Sarah Twomey, Beth Wallace, Shaun Watmough, Sarah West, Rylin Wormington, and Juman Zanzoul. Official Visitors Alma Barranco-Mendoza, Heather Crowley, Connor Koch, and Geoff Navara. Associate University Secretary (Senate) Tara Harrington and Coordinator, Board and Senate Support Taylor Edwards.

Regrets: Senators Stefan Bilaniuk, Ann Celestini, Anthony Coulter, Nancie Im-Bolter, Lawrence Lam, Suresh Narine and Asaf Zohar.

Welcome and adoption of the Agenda

The meeting opened with a welcome to the traditional territory:

We respectfully acknowledge that we are on treaty and traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig Anishinabeg. We offer our gratitude to First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and relations. May we honour those teachings.

Closed Session

Academic Planning and Policy Committee Report. Senator Khan presented a proposal for a new academic program.

Senate approved the proposal for submission to the Council.

University Honours Subcommittee Report. The Chair presented the report which included a list of individuals being recommended to receive honorary degrees in 2024. He noted that this information was highly sensitive and to be treated as confidential. There would be a public announcement in the early spring.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

Open Session

Chair's Remarks and Announcements. The Chair asked that Senators show empathy to those students who were experiencing difficulty with their academic work as a result of COVID.

Minutes and Business arising Meeting of October 31, 2023. The minutes were approved as presented.

Senator Buccieri had provided a revised copy of the Artificial Intelligence Guidelines and noted that the plan was for the final draft to be presented to Senate in January.

Undergraduate Studies Committee Report. Senator Norlock presented the report which included the following recommendations:

Computer Science-Mathematics-Philosophy-Financial Science—New Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Artificial Intelligence.

International Development Studies—Change the name of the Bachelor of Arts program (single- and joint-major Honours, joint-major General), Minor, and Option in International Development Studies to Global Development Studies.

Nursing—Articulation agreement with Centennial College that would allow qualified graduates of Centennial's Practical Nursing Diploma to enter Trent's Compressed Nursing program with advanced standing.

Criminology-- Articulation agreement with Fleming College that would allow qualified graduates of Fleming's Protection, Security, and Investigation diploma program to enter Trent's Criminology program with advanced standing.

Policing and Community Well-Being--Two new articulation agreements with Niagara College that would allow qualified graduates of Niagara's Police Foundations or Protection, Security and Investigation (Private Investigations) diploma programs to enter Trent's Policing & Community Well-Being program with advanced standing.

Social Work-- Articulation agreement with Niagara College that would allow qualified graduates of Niagara's Social Service Worker diploma program to enter Trent's Social Work program with advanced standing.

Business--Three new articulation agreements are proposed with St. Clair College that would allow qualified graduates of St. Clair's Business diploma, Business – Accounting diploma, or Business Administration – Accounting Advanced diploma programs to enter Trent's Business Administration (BBA) program with advanced standing.

New regular course-ADMN 4458H

Regularize ADMN 3610H

Computer Science—New regular course—COIS 3550H.

Co-op—Humanities & Social Science—A new progression requirement for all Honours Co-op degree programs in Humanities and Social Sciences.

Gender & Social Justice—New regular course—GESO-KINE 3134H.

Regularize GESO 2181H.

History—New regular courses—HIST 3430H and HIST 4430H.

Regularize HIST-INDG 4790H.

Language and Linguistics—Proposal to change from a centre (Centre for Language & Linguistics) to a program (Languages & Linguistics program).

Mathematics/Economics—Proposal to modify Mathematical Economics program requirements for the Bachelor of Science Program in Mathematical Economics.

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Philosophy—New regular course—PHIL-COIS 3270H.

Policing & Community Well-Being—Modify program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Program in Policing and Community Well-Being.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

Graduate Studies Committee Report. Senator Brunetti presented the report which included the following recommendations:

MA English Literature (Public Texts) —New course ENGL 5340H.

Master and Graduate Diploma in Instrumental Chemical Analysis—New course ICAN 5300H.

Ph.D. Interdisciplinary Social Research—New course-IDSR 6060H.

Master of Management—New course MAMG 5899H and associated changes to program requirements.

Master of Science and Ph D. Psychology--New courses-PSYC 6610H, PSYC 6620H and PSYC 6630H.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

The report also included an item sent forward for information—termination of the **Trent/Queen's Program**. Senator Brunetti noted that the agreement with Queen's University had actually expired a number of years ago. The program was popular with Trent faculty when Trent did not offer a wide array of graduate programs (and opportunities to supervise graduate students) but that it was no longer necessary.

Cyclical Program Review Committee Report. Senator West presented the report which included the final assessment reports (FARs) for the BSc Biology, BSc Biomedical Science, the BSc Conservation Biology, the MSc Environmental and Life Sciences and the PhD Environmental and Life Sciences programs.

The report was accepted as information.

Any Other Business. The Provost reported that the new program proposal approved by Senate at the October meeting had been approved by the Quality Council and sent on to the Ministry for approval of funding.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:54.

Dr. L. Groarke, Chair

T. Harrington, Secretary