Vancouver Senate

Minutes of 13 February 2013

Attendance

Present: Prof. S.J. Toope (President and Chair), Ms L.M. Collins (Secretary), Mr T. Ahmed, Dean G. Averill, Dr K. Baimbridge, Dr J. Belanger, Dean M.A. Bobinski, Principal H. Brock, Mr B. Caracheo, Dr G. Chapman, Dr P. Choi, Prof. B. Craig, Dr W. Dunford, Mr P. Edgcumbe, Dr D. Farrar (Provost and Vice-President, Academic), Mr D. Fernandez, Ms V. Goyal, Dr S. Grayston, Mr S. Haffey, Rev. Dr M. Hagemoen, Dr P. Harrison, Mr M. Hunter, Dean J. Innes, Dr I. Ivanov, Dr U. Kumar, Mr P. Lee, Ms M. Leong, Dr P. Leung, Ms N. Liu, Dr P. Loewen, Ms K. Mahal, Dr P. Marshall, Mr W. McNulty, Principal L. Nasmith, Dr D. O’Donoghue, Dr K. Patterson, Dean S. Peacock, Dr N. Perry, Principal J. Plessis, Dean pro tem. S. Porter, Dr A. Riseman, Mr C Roach, Dr L. Rucker, Dr S. Singh, Dr R. Sparks, Dr S. Thorne, Ms K. Tyson, Mr D. Verma, Dr M. Vessey, Dr L. Walker, Dr R. Windsor-Liscombe, Dr R. Winter, Dr D. Witt, Mr J. Yang, Ms L. Zhu.

Regrets: Dr R. Anstee, Ms E. Biddlecombe, Dr L. Burr, Mr B. Caro, Mr B. Craig, Rev. Dr S. Farris, Dean B. Frank, Prof. B. Goold, Dean pro tem. E. Hall, Dr W. Hall, Dean R. Helsley, Dean M. Isman, Mr T. Jefferson, Dr S. Knight, Prof. B. MacDougall, Dr F. Marra, Dr W McKee, Ms M. McKenna, Ms S. Morgan-Silvester, Dr I. Parent, Dr R. Reid, Ms T. Rosseel, Dean C. Shuler, Mr A. Sihota, Dr D. Simunic, Dean R. Sindelar, Dr B. Stelck, Ms S. Sterling, Dean G. Stuart, Mr M. Thom, Dr R. Wilson, Mr E. Woo.

Guests: Mr A. Arida.

Recording Secretary: Mr C. Eaton.

Call to Order

The President called Senate to order and wished everyone a happy Lunar New Year.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Lance Rucker } That the Minutes of the Meeting of 12 December
Katharine Patterson 2012 be adopted as presented.

Approved.

President’s Remarks
The President noted that Start and Evolution has raised over $1 billion to date and that UBC was well towards its further goal of having over 50,000 alumni participate.

With regards to new appointments, Professor Toope announced that James Ridge has been appointed Principal of the proposed international college and that Dr Angela Towle, a professor in Medicine was now Director of the UBC Learning Exchange.

At the president’s invitation, the Provost introduced Lisa Marie Collins as Associate Vice-President & Registrar pro tempore and as the registrar-select of the University of Alberta.

In terms of labour relations, the President informed Senate that the Board of Governors had ratified an agreement with the Association of Administrative and Professional Staff for 2012-2014. This agreement covers rough 3500 staff. Mediation and arbitration with the Faculty Association has been delayed due to an illness of the arbitrator. This arbitration has now been delayed to the first week of June.

Professor Toope advised Senate that UBC had recently launched an online searchable database designed to encompass aboriginal student programs in conjunction with the AUCC.

The President noted that the AUCC recently had a workshop on the role of the Senate with university governance. From that, he noted four key areas of discussion: mandate, orientation, annual planning, and opportunities for relationships with Board. He was delighted that over the last 18 months we have been working on all four of these elements at UBC.

The RUCBC has been working very hard on ensuring a public discourse and dialogue around the “Opportunity Agenda.” We have relaunched this linking it to the government jobs agenda. He viewed this as an important collaborative effort.

Senator Harrison noted that in previous years he has taken this time to note declining NSERC support for undergraduate students; he noted that this had changed this year and NSERC, at least for UBC, had increased support this year.

**From the Board of Governors**

The President confirmed for Senate that the following items approved by the Vancouver Senate were subsequently approved by the Board of Governors as required under the University Act:

**SENATE MEETING 19 SEPTEMBER 2012**

Change of the designation of the Department of Economics to the Vancouver School of Economics

New Program and associated new courses – Bachelor in International Economics, to be offered by the Vancouver School of Economics in the Faculty of Arts

Curriculum Proposals from Continuing Studies and the Faculties of Education, Graduate Studies (Faculties of Applied Science, Education and Medicine), Land & Food Systems,
and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Student Awards

SENATE MEETING 17 OCTOBER 2012
Curriculum Proposal from the Faculty of Education

Student Awards

SENATE MEETING 14 NOVEMBER 2012
Faculty of Medicine Awarded Prize- Dr. Chew Wei Memorial Prize in Cancer Research

Student Awards

Establishment of BC Leadership Chair in Cultures and Ecosystems at Risk in the Faculty of Arts

Academic Policy Committee

The Committee Chair, Dr Paul Harrison, presented.

PROFESSORS OF TEACHING AS GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISORS

Paul Harrison
Philip Loewen

That the Senate amend its policy on the Membership in the Faculty of Graduate Studies to allow faculty members with the rank of Professor of Teaching to supervise graduate students provided they meet the relevant criteria.

Senator Harrison noted that this was a logical adjustment given the addition of this new rank last year. He suggested that these faculty members would certainly be interested and involved in research and thus the Faculty of Graduate Studies has made this request.

Senator Singh asked if Professors of Teaching could apply for tri-council funding.

Dean Porter agreed to determine if this would be the case and report back to Senate with this information.

Approved

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR LEARNERS AND FACULTY MEMBERS IN THE FACULTIES OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

Paul Harrison
Lance Rucker

That Senate approve the revised Professional Standards for Learners and Faculty Members in the Faculties of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of British Columbia as set out in the attached document.
Senator Harrison noted that this proposal was to update the policy approved in 2005, largely to take into account the growth in social media.

Joint Report from the Academic Policy, Admissions, & Curriculum Committees

See Appendix A: Science Po Dual Degree Program Option

The Chair of the Academic Policy Committee, Dr Paul Harrison, presented on behalf of the Committees.

Paul Harrison
Robert Sparks

That Senate approve the proposed Dual Degree Program Option in the Bachelor of Arts, and its associated courses, to be offered in partnership by the University and L'Institut d'études politiques (IEP) (Sciences Po), and recommend the terms of affiliation to the Council of Senates for consideration.

Senator Harrison noted that this was an important step for the Senate to consider. Senator Harrison noted that UBC does not yet have a proper policy on what we need to constitute a dual degree; the APC will be bringing one forward shortly. This proposal has been worked on for some time by the Faculty of Arts. The Committee Chair noted that this proposal meets all of our current requirements to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree and would be the first of many such proposals Senate will likely be asked to consider.

Senator Belanger asked what “distance enabled” meant.

With permission of Senate, Dr Giltrow responded that as part of the Faculty of Arts’ strategic plan; distance learning opportunities will be considered to extend coursework.

Senator Baimbridge asked how the Council of Senates was involved in this process.

Dr Harrison explained the affiliation process.

Senator Mahal asked if/how Policy 72 and student aid would be applicable to these students.

Dr Giltrow replied that both the Policy 72 and our student aid programs would be available, provided the students were at our campus in a given session and if otherwise eligible.

Senator Vessey asked if the library implications had been considered and how many students would be enrolled in the program.
Dr Giltrow replied that yes, the Library was consulted as part of the usual curriculum review process. She noted that 20 students would be admitted to start.

Senator Sparks and Dean Averill added that these would not be net new students; they would be part of the Faculty of Arts enrolment targets.

Several senators spoke of the copyright and licensing issues around students moving between campuses; there was general agreement that this matter should be reviewed.

Admissions Committee

The Chair of the Senate Admissions Committee, Dr Robert Sparks, presented.

POLICY J-52.1: ADMISSION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICANTS FOLLOWING THE BC/YUKON CURRICULUM

See Appendix B: Policy J-52.1

Robert Sparks
Rhodri Windsor-Liscombe

That Senate approve Policy J-52.1: Admission for Secondary School Applicants following the BC/Yukon Curriculum to replace Policy V-52 of the same title.

Senator Sparks explained the history of Policy J-52. He noted that after consultation, a Vancouver-based policy was approved last year with the understanding that should Okanagan and Vancouver be able to come to agreement, the policy would be returned as a joint proposal. This policy was developed last month jointly between the Okanagan and Vancouver committees responsible for admission. He noted that J-52.1 was the chosen designation to avoid confusion with the previous policy J-52.

A student senator asked about grade inflation with the use of grade 11 grades for admission decisions.

With permission of Senate, Mr Andrew Arida, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, replied that grade 11 grades were historically slightly lower than grade 12 grades, but this may change as students become increasingly aware of our use of grade 11 grades in admissions decisions.
POLICY J-53: COURSE-SPECIFIC MINIMA FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICANTS

See Appendix C: Policy J-53


Senator Sparks noted that the consultative document distributed last September considered the option of introducing course-specific minima. He advised that UBC had received excellent feedback at the November Senate committed to bring forward a proposal to enact this change. The proposed policy would encompass all secondary school applicants. Senator Sparks then explained our current process of considering averages, noting that the only course specific minima we currently have are the University minimum in English of 70%, and Science’s 67% in Math. As a result, it is entirely possible for a student to do very well in some subjects but poorly in one that may be crucial for their success in University. He suggested that UBC wanted to change applicant behavior to improve their skills in weaker core subjects; the idea of course specific minima is intended to ensure First-year success for our students.

The Committee Chair suggested that the proposed policy would allow minima to be used as competitive requirements in the same way we use overall averages and personal profile scores. Like Broader-Based Admission (BBA) scores and academic averages, the competitive minima could change each year. However, the course specific minima would have a floor below which we would not consider applicants. Those students who do not meet those minima would still be considered under BBA and could still be admitted at the dean’s discretion. Finally, Dr Sparks noted that the course specific minima will generally be much lower than our competitive averages. This is a common practice across peer institutions, including Toronto and McGill. We have spoken with over 300 school counselors on this proposal. The policy will come into effect for 2014 to give students and counselors a chance to adjust.

Senator Loewen asked which faculties were considering using this new policy.

Dr Sparks noted that Science has already done so for Math 12.

Dr Harrison added that the Department of Mathematics had been asked to generate data on student performance to help evaluate any possible change to the current 67% minimum in pre-calculus.

Mr Arida noted that Sauder was considering using the policy.
BACHELOR OF ARTS: READMISSION REQUIREMENTS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION: ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE: CHANGES IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS FOR ABORIGINAL APPLICANTS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING: POST-ACCEPTANCE REQUIREMENTS

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES: ADMISSION CHANGES TO THE CALENDAR ENTRY FOR THE PH.D AND THE M.SC. IN ASTRONOMY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: CHANGES TO GENERAL INFORMATION ON ADMISSION AND TRANSFER

See Appendix D: Admission Summary
That Senate approve a change in the readmission requirements for applicants to the Bachelor of Arts program, effective for the 2013 Winter Session and thereafter; and

That Senate approve a change in the criteria for admission for applicants to the Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Conservation, effective for the 2013 Winter Session and thereafter; and

That Senate approve a change in the admissions process for Aboriginal applicants to the M.D. Undergraduate program, and approve the new title “Aboriginal Student Initiatives Coordinator” to replace the current title “Aboriginal Programs Coordinator”, effective for the 2013 Winter Session and thereafter; and

That Senate approve a change in the admissions process for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing regarding post-acceptance requirements, effective for the 2013 Winter Session and thereafter; and

That Senate approve admission changes to the calendar entry for the Ph.D. and the M.Sc. in Astronomy, effective for the 2013 Summer Session and thereafter; and

That Senate approve changes to the general information on admission and transfer for applicants to the Bachelor of Science program, effective for the 2013 Summer Session and thereafter.

Dr Sparks briefly spoke to each of the proposed changes.

With consent of the Senate, the proposal for Astronomy was amended to add “And meet any other Faculty of Graduate Studies requirements” to the calendar statement.
FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES: ADMISSION CHANGE TO THE CALENDAR ENTRY FOR THE PH.D. AND THE M.ENG IN GEOLOGICAL ENGINEERING

Robert Sparks
Porter

That Senate approve an admission change to the calendar entry for the Ph.D. and the M.Eng. in Geological Engineering, effective for the 2013 Summer Session and thereafter.

Approved

Joint Report from the Admissions and Curriculum Committees

The Chair of the Senate Curriculum Committees, Dr Peter Marshall, presented on behalf of the committees.

See Appendix E: Master of Laws in Taxation

NEW DEGREE PROGRAM: MASTER OF LAWS IN TAXATION

Peter Marshall
Des Verma

That Senate approve the new Master of Laws in Taxation and its associated courses.

Senator Bobinski, Dean of Law, expressed strong support for the program. With permission of Senate, Professor David Duff explained the proposal for this new degree program. He noted that there was both a demand for this program amongst students and business. This would be the first full-time English-taught program in Canada. The program is consistent with the strategic goals for both UBC and the Faculty. This program will be 30 credits; 16 of which are core with 8 tax electives and 6 other law courses. This program should not have significant resource implications for the Faculty of Law as much of the coursework is similar to that used by the JD program.

Senator Vessey asked if there would be any consequences for the University Library.

Senator Marshall replied that the Library had been consulted and had indicated that they could support the program.

Professor Duff replied that the program was to start with 8 students and grow to perhaps 16 per year.

Approved

Curriculum Committee

See Appendix F: Curriculum Summary

Dr Peter Marshall presented.
That the new courses, changed courses, new course code, and program changes brought forward by the Faculties of Applied Science, Arts, Dentistry, Graduate Studies (Arts, Education, Forestry, Law, Medicine, Science), Land and Food Systems, and Law be approved.

Dr Marshall briefly outlined the proposals from each of the faculties.

The President asked if the Committee inquired about the discontinuation of courses.

Dr Marshall advised on the editorial process for discontinuing courses.

Nominating Committee

The Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee, Dr Rhodri Windsor-Liscombe, presented.

APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY MEMBER TO THE PRESIDENT’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF THE REGISTRAR

An election as held under this item to select the Senate’s appointee to the President’s Advisory Committee. A plurality of senators selected Dr Baimbridge and he was thus deemed to be elected.

ADJUSTMENT TO SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

ADJUSTMENT TO SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: STUDENT AWARDS COMMITTEE

ADJUSTMENT TO COMMITTEE COMPOSITIONS: STUDENT SENATORS

ADJUSTMENT TO SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

That Senate appoint Dr Ujendra Kumar to the Senate Library Committee until 31 August 2014 and thereafter until replaced; and

That the Membership of the Student Awards Committee be adjusted to replace the title, “Director, Student Awards & Financial Aid”, with the title, “Director, Student Financial Services;” and,

That the Membership of the Student Awards Committee be adjusted to replace the title,
“Manager, Financial Support Initiatives, Student Financial Assistance and Awards”, with the title, “Manager, Student Financial Support”; and

That Senate approve the following revisions to the membership of the Committees of Senate.

Admissions: Mr. Barnabas Caro to replace Mr. Enzo Woo

Agenda: Mr. Enzo Woo to fill vacancy

Teaching and Learning: Ms. Melanie McKenna to replace Ms. Natalie Liu and Mr. Barak Caracheo to replace Mr. Aaron Sihota; and

That the Membership of the Senate Curriculum Committee be adjusted to replace the title, “Associate Vice-President, Continuing Studies”, with the title “Director of Continuing Education

Senator Baimbridge asked if there was an easier way of doing title changes.

Mr Eaton replied that they were looking at a way of expediting these changes.

Student Awards Committee

See Appendix G: Awards Summary

Dr Susan Grayston presented on behalf of the Committee Chair, Dr Brian Stelck.

Susan Grayston
Lance Rucker

That Senate accept the awards as listed and forward them to the Board of Governors for approval; and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

Dr Grayston noted that these proposals represented over $100 000 in new student funding.

Senator Belanger asked what “courage and determination” meant for the Arts Aboriginal Valour Awards.

Amendment:
That the Arts Aboriginal Valour Award be divided out from the proposal; and

That the Arts Aboriginal Valour Award be referred back to the Student Awards Committee for further clarification of the proposed award's terms.

Reports from the Registrar

2013/14 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Registrar Pro tem reminded Senate that the detailed academic year linked in this report included both campus-wide and program specific dates. Senators were asked to provide feedback to the Senate office.

Senator Peacock asked about the impact of the new Family Day holiday on the term 2 schedule.

Mr Eaton briefly replied that the new holiday did pose a problem in terms of the number of teaching days in term 2 and occasionally forcing a very early start to the term, such as this year’s January 2nd. He noted that the Academic Policy Committee was presently considering the matter.

A senator raised a question as to why a reading break was scheduled in term 2 and suggested that it might make more sense to extend the winter holiday break instead of the mid-term break.

It was agreed that the Senate Secretariat would bring this to the attention of the appropriate committee.

UBC ANNUAL REPORT ON ENROLMENT 2012/2013, VANCOUVER CAMPUS
The Provost briefly presented. He noted that as it had in previous years, UBC was proposing to enrol more students – specifically graduate students – than were funded by our government grant.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.
Appendix A: Science Po Dual Degree Program Option

Faculty of Arts

New Courses:

- ASTU 160 (3) International Perspectives on Writing in the Social Sciences and Humanities
- ASTU 190 (0) Dual Degree year 1 at Sciences Po
- ASTU 260 (3) Knowledge Dissemination: Communicating Research to Public Audiences
- ASTU 290 (0) Dual Degree Year 2 at Sciences Po
- ASTU 360 (3) Community-Based Research and Knowledge Creation
Appendix B: Policy J-52.1

Please see the Secretary for the formal version of Policy J-52.1. The following is an excerpt of the key text:

1. Academic criteria, generally as indicated by a calculated admission average and the completion of prerequisite courses, are the primary basis for determining admissibility to direct-entry undergraduate programs. However, with the approval of Senate, faculties and programs may elect to use Broad-Based Admission or other criteria to select from applicants whose admission average meets or exceeds faculty or program thresholds for admission which may vary from year to year.

2. An admission average or interim admission average will be calculated where all Grade 12 courses required for admission have been completed or are in-progress and all required verifiable or official final or interim course grades are available to the University.

3. Admissions averages or interim admission averages shall be based on at least four (4) Grade 12 courses (or the Grade 11 course equivalents under this policy) as specified for the program.

4. Where available, final or interim course grades for Grade 12 courses shall be used in calculating an admission average or an interim admission average; however, notwithstanding point 2. above, should one or more of the required Grade 12 courses not have a final or interim course grade at the time of academic assessment, the final course grade for one or more appropriate Grade 11 courses will be substituted into the calculation of the interim admission average as follows:
   
a. for specified Grade 12 courses (English 12/English 12 First Peoples for all programs, or prerequisite Mathematics or Science courses for some programs), a final course grade for a Grade 11 course in the same subject-area shall be substituted; and,
   
b. for other Grade 12 courses, a final course grade for a Grade 11 course may be substituted so long as the course meets the criteria for inclusion as a secondary school course in an admission average but is at the Grade 11 level, and is not in a subject area that is already being used in the calculation of the admissions average.

5. Grade 11 courses that may be substituted for Grade 12 courses shall be set out in the procedures to this policy by the Responsible Committees.

6. Offers of admission based on interim admission averages that include one or more final course grades for Grade 11 courses and/or interim course grades for Grade 12 courses are conditional subject to the satisfactory completion of all required courses
and the meeting of any requirements referenced in the letter of admission. Failure to meet any of the requirements referenced in the letter of admission may result in the withdrawal of the offer of admission.

7. Conditions required to retain an offer of admission will be determined by individual faculties on a year-to-year basis, and faculty thresholds may be higher than the published University minima.

8. Offers of admission for applicants who fail to meet the referenced conditions will be reviewed by the admitting faculty on a case-by-case basis.

9. When English 12/English 12 First Peoples is in progress at the point of evaluation, an interim course grade shall be used in the calculation of the interim admission average.

10. When English 12/English 12 First Peoples has been completed at point of evaluation, the admission average or interim admission average is calculated on whichever is the higher of the English 12/English 12 First Peoples final grade (weighted 60% course grade and 40% examination grade) or course grade alone.

11. In cases where a significant discrepancy exists between the English 12/English 12 First Peoples course grade and the examination grade, the University reserves the right to use the examination grade only. A significant discrepancy is determined by a difference of no less than 20% between the English 12/English 12 First Peoples course grade and the examination grade.

12. The Responsible Committees shall set out the timing for admission decisions for admission to direct-entry undergraduate programs as a procedure to this policy.
Appendix C: Policy J-53

Please see the Secretary for the formal version of Policy J-53. The following is an excerpt of the key text:

1. The admission average is normally determined by the mean grade achieved over Grade 12 courses (or equivalents) required for admission, calculated by the University, including prerequisite Grade 12 courses, to determine relative academic competitiveness. For some international curricula, the University shall consider the assessment of the applicant’s entire credential as the admission average used to determine relative academic competitiveness.

2. In addition to considering the admission average, the University may also consider the grades in individual prerequisite Grade 12 courses as specified by the admission requirements of – and thresholds set by – the particular faculty to determine an applicant’s relative academic competitiveness. Applicants with prerequisite Grade 12 course grades that fall below the faculty-set thresholds may not be deemed competitive for admission.

3. Conditions required to retain an offer of admission will be determined by individual faculties on a year-to-year basis and may include thresholds for the applicant’s final admission average and/or their final grades on prerequisite Grade 12 courses.

4. Students admitted based upon an interim admission average who fail to meet the faculty-set competitive thresholds for either the final admission average or the final prerequisite Grade 12 course grades will be reviewed by the admitting faculty on a case-by-case basis and may have their offer of admission revoked.
Appendix D: Admissions Summary

Changes to admission requirements:

Bachelor of Arts – Readmission Requirements

Specification that students who are required to withdraw before completing 54 or fewer Arts-eligible credits can qualify for readmission by completing a detailed amount of work at a BC college or similar institution and attaining an overall G.P.A. of 3.0 or 73%.

Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Conservation – Admission to the Program

Change to alerts applicants who follow programs covered by affiliation agreements between the Faculty of Forestry and other academic institutions, and who otherwise meet the Natural Resources Conservation program’s requirements for admission, that they are eligible for registration in third year of the program and will receive a block transfer of credits.

Doctor of Medicine – Changes in the Admissions Process for Aboriginal applicants

Change to numbers of reference letters required; aboriginal applicants invited for interview already provide three letters of reference, as do all interviewed applicants to the M.D. Undergraduate program, and it is often difficult for them to obtain two additional letters. Therefore, this requirement is being removed. In addition, the “Aboriginal Programs Coordinator” is being renamed the “Aboriginal Student Initiatives Coordinator” to better reflect the work that the incumbent performs.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing – Post-Acceptance Requirements

Change to note that Health Authorities have implemented new policies related to vaccine-preventable communicable diseases and may ask for proof of immunization status. Therefore, UBC School of Nursing students must now make available proof of immunization status upon request. In addition, newly admitted students will be required to complete a Criminal Record Check, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation – Health Care Provider certification and N95 mask fitting test.

Faculty of Graduate Studies – Admission changes to the calendar entry for the Ph.D and the M.Sc. in Astronomy

Correction to the direct transfer credit requirements

Bachelor of Science – Changes to General Information on Admission and Transfer

Reorganization of the admissions section to help clarify the requirements as well as changes to the statement of the minimum number of credits required while registered in the program and the limits on credits that can be transferred into the B.Sc. degree. In addition,
the section on applying to pursue a second bachelor’s degree in a discipline distinct from that of applicants’ first degree has been added for greater clarity.

Faculty of Graduate Studies – Admission change to the calendar entry for the Ph.D. and the M.A.Sc. in Geological Engineering

Change relates to applicants having to meet the requirements set by the Faculty of Applied Science.
Appendix E: Master of Laws in Taxation

New Degree:

Master of Laws in Taxation (LL.M. in Taxation)

New Courses:

LAW 561 (2) d Fundamental Concepts in Tax Law
LAW 562 (3) d Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders
LAW 563 (3) d Taxation of Partnerships and Other Flow-Through Entities
LAW 564 (3) Taxation of Trusts and Estates
LAW 565 (4) d International Taxation
LAW 566 (4) d Tax Law and Policy Workshop
LAW 567 (3) Tax Administration and Dispute Resolution
LAW 568 (1-4) d Topics in Taxation
LAW 569 (1-4) d Topics in International Taxation
Appendix F: Curriculum Summary

Faculty of Applied Science

New Courses:

- APSC 461 (3)
- APSC 462 (3)
- CIVL 492 (1-6)c
- CPEN (new course code)
- EECE 409 (10)
- EECE 429 (10)
- EECE 439 (10)
- EECE 469 (10)
- IGEN 340 (3)
- MECH 454 (6)

Program Changes:

- Faculty of Applied Science > Bachelor of Applied Science > Electrical and Computer Engineering > Computer Engineering > Fourth Year
- Faculty of Applied Science > Bachelor of Applied Science > Electrical and Computer Engineering > Electrical Engineering > Fourth Year
- Faculty of Applied Science > Bachelor of Applied Science > Electrical and Computer Engineering > Biomedical Engineering Option > Fourth Year
- Faculty of Applied Science > Bachelor of Applied Science > Electrical and Computer Engineering > Electrical Energy Systems Option > Fourth Year

Faculty of Arts

New Courses:

- ANTH 307 (3/6)d
- ANTH 308 (3/6)d
- ANTH 421 (3/6)d
- ANTH 472 (3)
- ASIA 326 (3)
- ASIA 396 (3)
- ASIA 408 (3)
- JAPN 419 (3)
- JAPN 452 (3)
- HIST 202 (6)
- HIST 259 (3)
- HIST 391 (3)
- HIST 394 (3)
- HIST 395 (3)
Program Changes:

Faculties, Colleges, and Schools > Vancouver School of Economics
Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Social Justice Undergraduate Program

Faculty of Dentistry

New Course:

DHYG 325 (3)

Faculty of Graduate Studies:

Arts:

New courses:

ARST 565 (3)
ARST 580 (3)
JRNL 548 (6)
VISA 583 (3/6)d

Program name change:

Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Social Justice Graduate Program

Education:

New course:

LLED 523 (3)

Forestry:

Changed course:

FRST 557 (6)

Program change:

Faculty of Graduate Studies > Master of Sustainable Forest Management
> Program Requirements

Law:

*New courses:*

LAW 506 (3)
LAW 507 (4)
LAW 508 (3-4)d
LAW 509 (3)

Medicine:

*New courses:*

RHSC 512 (3)
SPPH 556 (3)

Science:

*New courses:*

ASTR 509 (3)
ATSC 507 (3)
BIOF 540 (1-3)d
GSAT 540 (1-3)d

*Changed course:*

PHYS 536 (3)

*Land and Food Systems:*

New Courses:

APBI 265 (3)
APBI 365 (6)
APBI 465 (3)

Parchment Changes:

Applied Biology
Food, Nutrition and Health
Global Resource Systems

*Faculty of Law*
Program Changes:

- Faculty of Law > Juris Doctor > Degree Requirements
- Faculty of Law > Juris Doctor > Combined Juris Doctor with Master of Arts in Asia Pacific Policy Studies
Appendix G: Awards Summary

New Awards:

Harvey CRUTE Memorial Bursary – Bursaries totalling $7,200 have been endowed by the Estate of Gladys Andree Crute in memory of her husband, Harvey Crute. Both Gladys and Harvey Crute loved to learn and took courses when they were well into their eighties. The awards are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

Dave CURREY Award in Applied Biology – Awards totalling $12,500 are offered by H. David Currey, BASc (Agricultural Engineering) 1950, for students in their second, third, or fourth year pursuing an undergraduate degree in Applied Biology in the Faculty of Land and Food Systems. In addition to academic merit, consideration is given to qualities such as leadership skills, involvement in student affairs, extracurricular activities or community service. Preference will be given to students demonstrating financial need. No individual award shall exceed $4,000. Awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Land and Food Systems. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

Scott DICKENS RBC Thunderbird Swimming Award – One or more awards, which may range from a minimum value of $500 each to the maximum allowable under athletic association regulations, are offered to outstanding members of the Thunderbird Swim Team in any year of study. Awards are made on the recommendation of the President’s Athletic Awards Committee for outstanding students who have demonstrated excellent leadership skills and maintained good academic standing. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

Sean GILBERT - MacKay LLP Memorial Award - In honour of Sean Gilbert, BCom 1988, a Chartered Accountant at MacKay LLP for 25 years, a $2,000 award has been endowed by family, friends and colleagues, and supported by the Chartered Accountants’ Education Foundation of BC. The award is a tribute to Sean and recognizes his legacy of selflessness, mentorship, and commitment to excellence in professional practice and education. To be considered, candidates must be in either the third or fourth year of study in the accounting option of the Sauder School of Business with plans to pursue the Chartered Accountant designation. Students must exhibit strong academic standing, leadership amongst his or her peers, and proven athletic and/or artistic capabilities. The award is made on the recommendation of the Sauder School of Business. (Award Available in the 2013/14 Academic Session)

GLOBAL Health Travel Award – Awards totalling $1,500 have been endowed to provide financial support to one or more fourth-year MD undergraduate students to offset the travel costs of participation in a global health elective. Recipients will demonstrate a commitment to global health across the four years of the MD undergraduate program and must participate in an elective site where there is mutual benefit for the student and the host community. Applications must include a CV and a personal letter describing the applicants’ global health involvement and reasons for selecting the elective site. Awards will be made on the recommendation of the Head, Division of Global Health. (First Award Available in the 2013/14 Winter Session)

Eleanor GRAY Memorial Scholarship in Music – A $1,050 scholarship for an outstanding undergraduate or graduate student in the School of Music studying voice, piano or stringed instruments has been endowed by UBC alumnus Douglas A. Gray (BA’67, LLB’77) in loving
memory of his mother. Eleanor Gray (1900-2001) was a pianist and singer who actively pursued her joy in music throughout her life – from her first piano lesson at age six to the age of 101 – and inspired a love for music in those around her. Eleanor graduated from the University of Toronto and attained her ATCM in piano from the Toronto Conservatory of Music (now the Royal Conservatory of Music). Her joy of life, keen intellect, inquiring mind, positive and encouraging attitude, and infectious enthusiasm made her a warm and loyal friend to all who knew her. The award is made on the recommendation of the School of Music and, in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First Award Available in the 2013/14 Winter Session)

**Douglas H JOHNSTON Bursary in Dentistry** - A $1,000 bursary is offered by UBC Dentistry to a dental student who demonstrates financial need, with preference that the student be enrolled in the Pediatric Dental Program. The bursary is in honour of Professor Emeriti Dr. Doug Johnston, whose extraordinary dedication to teaching and research has been instrumental in the continued success and mission of UBC Dentistry. The award is adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

**Prem KALIA Memorial Bursary** – A $1,000 bursary is offered by Ramni Daisy Kalia in memory of her father, Prem Kalia. Born in India in 1935, Mr. Kalia dedicated his life to giving back to the community. After receiving advanced education in science, he pursued a career in health education through the World Health Organization. He and his wife, Ramesh, had three children. They immigrated to Canada in 1994. Mr. Kalia spent his retirement in Vancouver, and passed away in 2011. The family always supported those who were less fortunate and made charitable donations to health and education. The bursary is awarded to a deserving student in any discipline, faculty or year of study, who is in financial need. The award is adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

**Norah MANSELL Music Scholarship** – Scholarships totalling $16,450 have been endowed by the Estate of Norah Mansell. The scholarships are available to deserving students enrolled in the School of Music. Music was an important part of Ms. Mansell’s life as she was a member of the Bach Choir and Cantata Singers during her lifetime. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Music and, in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

**MILLER Thomson Foundation Entrance Scholarship** - Eight entrance scholarships of $3,000 each are offered by the Miller Thomson Foundation to an outstanding student entering the University directly from high school with high academic standing who demonstrates leadership or a commitment to service. To be considered, candidates must be either Canadian citizens or permanent residents and may be entering any undergraduate program within the University. Awards are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2013/14 Winter Session)

**Ronnie MILLER Graduate Scholarship in Personalized Medicine** – A $10,000 scholarship is offered jointly by Rx&D and Roche to an outstanding graduate student in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology who excels in the field of personalized medicine. This award has been established in honour of Mr. Ronnie Miller, past Chairman of the Rx&D Board of Directors (2010) and President & CEO, Hoffmann-La Roche Limited. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)
Charles NESBITT Memorial Bursary in Mechanical Engineering – Bursaries totalling $5,000 have been funded by the Charles Frederick Nesbitt Trust for students in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Charles Frederick Nesbitt graduated from UBC in 1950 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Mr. Nesbitt passed away on April 1, 2010 in Long Beach, California. Awards are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

RANDOM House/Hazlitt Award in Creative Writing – Awards totalling $10,000 are offered by Random House of Canada for students in any year of study pursuing a Bachelor of Fine Arts or Master of Fine Arts degree in the Creative Writing Program. The awards are made on the recommendation of Creative Writing Program faculty members in the Faculty of Arts and, in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

SANDERSON Family Service Award in Arts - A $1,000 service award is offered by UBC alumnus Aaron Sanderson (BA ‘09, MA ‘12) for a student in the Faculty of Arts of the UBC Point Grey Campus who demonstrates academic achievement, leadership and service to create a better community. Recommendations are made by the Faculty of Arts. (First Award Available in the 2013/14 Winter Session)

Dr. John Leonard SNYDER Memorial Chemistry Bursary – Bursaries totalling $1,000 have been endowed by the Estate of Dr. John Leonard Snyder. The bursaries are offered to students in the Department of Chemistry. Dr. Snyder was born in Vancouver and obtained both his Bachelor of Arts (Chemistry) and his Master of Science (Chemistry) at UBC. Awards are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

Brian TSUJI Graduating Award in Law – A $1,000 academic award is offered to the student who has contributed the most to student affairs during their three years at law school. Recommendation is made by the Faculty of Law. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

UBC Law Student Emergency Award - The UBC Law Student Emergency Award has been established to assist students in the J.D. program who are faced with an unexpected financial challenge of a serious nature which impacts their well-being and/or their ability to continue in the program. The student must demonstrate that all other possible sources of support have been explored before an application is considered. All requests are determined on a case-by-case basis. Awards are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

John Douglas WATERFIELD Bursary in Dentistry - A $1,000 bursary is offered by UBC Dentistry to a DMD candidate who demonstrates financial need. The bursary is in honour of Professor Emeriti Dr. Doug Waterfield, whose extraordinary dedication to teaching and research has been instrumental in the continued success and mission of UBC Dentistry. The award is adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First Award Available in the 2012/2013 Winter Session)

Elliot WEISGARBER Memorial Scholarship in Music – Scholarships totaling $1,000 are offered by the Estate of Bethiah Caroline Weisgarber. Mrs. Weisgarber was the widow of Elliot Weisgarber, UBC music professor from 1960 to 1984 well-known as a composer and as the founder of the School of Music’s ethnomusicology program. The Weisgarbers were active members of the Vancouver classical music community for 40 years. The scholarships are available to deserving School of Music
students with preference first to those studying clarinet (Mr. Weisgarber’s principal instrument), and secondly to those studying other woodwind instruments. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Music, and in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First Award Available in the 2013/2014 Winter Session)

Previously-Approved Awards with Changes in Terms or Funding Source:

#150 – Malcolm T. McEachern Vancouver Coastal Health Prize: Two prizes of $1,000 each are awarded by the Vancouver Coastal Health Prize to honour Malcolm T McEachern and to encourage leadership in health administration. As a physician, administrator and public health official, Dr. McEachern had one major goal: to provide better quality care for the patient through increased efficiency of hospital administration. The prizes are awarded to full-time students in the Health Administration program who demonstrate the best management skills and innovation in hospital efficiency. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Population and Public Health, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

How amended: Increase in award value, change in donor name, change in criteria by removing summer clerkship requirement, and change in adjudicating department/school.

#4416 – Arthur Whitehead Memorial Science One Achievement Scholarship: A $1,000 scholarship has been endowed in memory of Arthur Whitehead for outstanding students entering the Science One Program. The award is made on the recommendation of the Science One teaching team in consultation with the Director of the Science One Program.

How Amended: Included the word “Achievement” in the title.

#1270 - Chinese Railroad Workers Commemorative Scholarship in Chinese Canadian History: A $1,500 scholarship is provided by the Foundation to Commemorate the Chinese Railroad Workers in Canada to a graduate student in the Department of History. Students must be either Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents of Canada. Preference will be given to students who are focusing their research on the contributions of the Chinese community in building the Canadian railroad. The scholarship is made on the recommendation of the Department of History in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

How amended: inserted “Chinese Canadian” in the title, and included the preference that the award goes to students who are focusing their research on the contributions of the Chinese community in building the Canadian railroad.