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of the University of Victoria

Meeting of Senate  
January 5, 2024

## MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on January 5, 2024 at 3:33p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, Jamie Cassels Centre, Room A180.

Robin Hicks, Acting Chair on behalf of the President, call the meeting to order.

### 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R. Hicks acknowledged an item was received after the Senate deadline

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

a. President's Report

There was none.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

A Senator expressed their disappointment and concern with the President's decision not to include the submitted motion, given the impact on students to meet academic accommodations equitably and fairly. The Senator noted that other institutions offered evening and weekend accommodation, which was part of the university's legal obligation

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. Request for Change to Admission Requirements to MA/MEd programs

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requirements would be made on a case-by-





Motion: (J.Salinas/N. Sukhdoo)

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve the proposal to change the name of the Health Terminology Standards Graduate Certificate program in the School of Health Information Science to Health Terminology and Interoperability Standards Graduate Certificate, as described in the document "Health Terminology Standards Graduate Certificate".

CARRIED

- iv. Proposal to establish a Professional Specialization Certificate in Intellectual and Cultural

- vii. Proposal to extend the Approved Centre Status for the Pacific Institute of Climate Solutions (PICS)

E. AdjinnTetty introduced the proposal.

A member of Senate asked a question as to why this extension was for 12 months as opposed to the last extension for 18 months. E. AdjinnTetty explained that the committee agreed that a 12 month extension for IESVic would not be long enough to conduct a thorough review. Lisa Kalynchuk, Vice President Research and Innovation, confirmed that 12 months was sufficient to conduct a review for PICS as a new director was already in place.

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b. Faculty of Graduate Studies

i. Faculty of Graduate Studies Constitution and Bylaws

The role of Chair was temporarily passed to Elizabeth Croft, Vice President Academic and Provost.

E. Croft introduced the proposal.

R. Hicks provided members of Senate with a presentation. He highlighted the differences between the Faculty Council and the Graduate Executive Committee and outlined the significant changes proposed to the faculty's constitution and bylaws.

In response to a question about the exclusion of teaching stream faculty from the membership during previous faculty updates, R. Hicks replied that the faculty was at the beginning stages of reviewing this matter.

Another member of Senate suggested running a parallel program approval process with the line unit and the Graduate Executive Committee to reduce time further

Motion: (R. Hicks/J. Salinas)

That Senate approve the revised Constitution and Bylaws for the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

CARRIED

R. Hicks resumed the role of Chair.

8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

a. Office of the Vice President Academic and Provost Update

E. Croft began her update by welcoming Michael Prince, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Human and Social Development.



Association. This group would develop recommendations to the Provost on addressing challenges arising from increased student accommodation requests and faculty workload

E. Croft also reported on the working group to review and renew policy AC1205, Academic Accommodation and Students with Disabilities. She noted that the Accessibility Committee has been reconstituted to help with consultation across campus

E. Croft added that the Associate Vice President Academic Programs intends to bring a draft Digital Learning Plan to Senate for consultation. She noted that the plan outlines the goal and strategies to help equip students, staff and faculty with the required skills for responsible and ethical engagement in digital spaces.

Regarding the mid-term pilot Senate approved last month, Senator Mark Laidlaw remarked that the Universal Design inspired plan to offer a 1.5 time multiple (173 (3 Tw 0.3013(s)--(u)2.3 (ll.3 (t)-3 (rat)7u(d)2.2 ( e)7

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Name	In Attendance	Regrets		Position
Adjin-Tettey, Elizabeth	X		Associate Vice President Academic Programs	By Invitation
Aikau, Hokulani	X		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Andersen, Carrie Andreotti, Vane 113.88i5F	X		University Secretary	Secretary of Senate
Campbell, Erin	X		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
Clarke, JoAnne	X		Dean, Division of Continuing Studies	Ex officio
Croft, Elizabeth	X		Vice President Academic and Provost	Ex officio
Curran, Deborah	X		Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Diether, Kelly	X		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Dunsdon, Jim	X		Associate Vice President Student Affairs	By Invitation
Eagle, Chris Empringham, Kyle	X		Faculty of Science Student Senator	Elected by the faculty members

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA  
Effective January 1, 2024

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a)

Chancellor: Marion Buller (31/12/24)  
 President and Vice-Chancellor: Kevin Hall  
 Vice-President Academic and Provost: Elizabeth Croft  
 Vice-President Research and Innovation: Lisa Kalynchuk  
 Dean of Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Asita Bhappu  
 Dean of Education: Vanessa Arcotti  
 Dean of Engineering: Mina Hoorfar  
 Dean of Continuing Studies: JoAnne Clarke  
 Dean of Fine Arts: Allana Lindgren  
 Dean of Graduate Studies: Robin Hicks (Vice-Chair)  
 Dean of Humanities: Annalee Lepp  
 Acting Dean of HSD: Michael Prince  
 Dean of Law: Freya Kodar  
 Dean of Science: Peter Loock  
 Dean of Social Sciences: Lois Harder  
 University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS (continued)

Anastasia Mallidou (HSD)	(30/6/26)
Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (ENGR)	(30/6/25)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES

- Section 35(2) (g) - Faculty Members

	Lynne Marks (30/6/24)	
AW:	Deborah Curran (30/6/25)	
	Andrew Newcomb (30/6/26)	
SCIE:	Mark Laidlaw (30/6/26)	
	Travis Martin (30/6/26)	
SOSC:	Rob Hancock (30/6/24)	
	CindyAnn Rose Redwood (30/6/26)	

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- Sections 35 (2) (g)

Erin Campbell (FINE)	(30/6/26)
Chris Eagle (SCIE)	(30/6/26)
Sean Hier (SOSC)	(30/6/24)
Sara Humphreys (HUM)	(30/6/26)
Li-Shih Huang (HUM)	(30/6/24)
Donna Jeffrey (HSD)	(30/6/24)
Yasmine Kandil (FINE)	(30/6/26)
Erin Kelly (HUM)	(30/6/24)