



456th REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE TO SENATE
On APC meeting held on April 28th 2014

I. TO BE APPROVED BY SENATE

(A) NEW TEACHING PROGRAMS REQUIRING SENATE APPROVAL (approvals of new minors and options added to existing programs and major revisions to programs are reported in Section IV.A.1.a. for information)

School of Continuing Studies

- Professional Development Certificate; Aviation Management Consulting (29 – 30.5 CEUs) – *Appendix A*

At a meeting on 28th April 2014, APC reviewed and approved a proposal from the School of Continuing Studies for the creation of a Professional Development Certificate in Aviation Management Consulting. This Program is aimed at individuals who wish to pursue a career either as independent consultants or within a major consulting firm, or wish to fulfill the educational requirements for the Certified Management Consultant (CMC) professional designation.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Professional Development Certificate; Aviation Management Consulting.

- Professional Development Certificate; Digital Content and Community Management (22.5 CEUs) – *Appendix B*

At a meeting on 28th April 2014, APC reviewed and approved a proposal from the School of Continuing Studies for the creation of a Professional Development Certificate in Digital Content and Community Management. The growth of digital media has created the need for professionals capable of managing an organization's relationship with the on-line communities, for marketing, crisis management, communication or public relations purposes. This program will provide professionals with the necessary skills to effectively represent their companies or brands in social media.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Professional Development Certificate; Digital Content and Community Management.

- Professional Development Certificate; Management Consulting (23.5 CEUs) – *Appendix C*

At a meeting on 28th April 2014, APC reviewed and approved a proposal from the School of Continuing Studies for the creation of a Professional Development Certificate in Management Consulting. The demand for management consulting services is constantly growing. This program is aimed at professionals who have gained substantial experience and expertise and wish to embark on a consulting career, independently or for a consulting firm. It also fulfills

the educational requirements for the Certified Management Consultant (CMC) professional designation.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Professional Development Certificate; Management Consulting.

(B) ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ISSUES / POLICIES / GOVERNANCE/AWARDS

Graduate Postdoctoral Studies: recommendations on graduate supervision – Appendix D

In an effort to improve supervision, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies is proposing to amend the Guidelines and Regulations for Academic Units on Graduate Student Advising and Supervision, to include mandatory supervisory committees and supervisory orientations for new graduate students, new supervisors, and professors who have not recently supervised.

APC recommends that Senate endorse the Recommendations on Graduate Supervision.

(C) CREATION OF NEW UNITS / NAME CHANGES / REPORTING CHANGES

McGill University Structural Biology Centre – Appendix E

At a meeting on 20th March 2014, APC reviewed and approved the proposal for the creation of a McGill Structural Biology Centre, which will bring together researchers from multiple faculties and help raise the profile of their projects. It will also promote the interdisciplinary training of students. In accordance with the policy on research centres, the Structural Biology Centre will be entirely self-funded.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the creation of a McGill Structural Biology Centre.

School of Information Studies – Appendix F

At a meeting on 28th April 2014, APC reviewed and approved the relocation of the School of Information Studies from the Faculty of Education to the Faculty of Arts. The School of Information Studies was placed under the umbrella of the Faculty of Education in 1996, following the dismantlement of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research. Since then, the nature of SIS and its programs of studies and research have changed, and the discipline is an increasingly multidisciplinary field that shares many attributes, features and methodologies with social sciences and humanities. There is a real attraction for the SIS to develop new training programs and joint research projects with several departments of the Faculty of Arts. The integration of SIS in the Faculty of Arts will also facilitate student recruitment and provide a better experience for the students by giving them access to courses and programs in a variety of disciplines. It should also be noted that the Faculty of Arts also houses the School of Social Work and that the Faculty's administration is therefore familiar with the nature of a school status and its needs especially concerning the accreditation of its programs.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the relocation of the School of Information Studies from the Faculty of Education to the Faculty of Arts, as well as its subsequent change of designation (from School of Information Studies, Faculty of Education to School of Information Studies, Faculty of Arts)

(D) CHANGES IN DEGREE DESIGNATION - none

(E) INTER-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS – none

(F) OTHER – none

II. TO BE ENDORSED BY SENATE – see item IB

III. APPROVED BY APC IN THE NAME OF SENATE

(A) DEFINITIONS – none

(B) STUDENT EXCHANGE PARTNERSHIPS / CONTRACTS / INTERUNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS - none

(C) OTHER - none

IV. FOR THE INFORMATION OF SENATE

A) APPROVAL OF COURSES AND TEACHING PROGRAMS

1. Programs

a) APC approvals (new options/concentrations and major revisions to existing programs)

i. New concentrations/options within existing programs - *none*

ii. Major revisions of existing programs - *none*

b) APC Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs (SCTP) approvals (Summary reports: <http://www.mcgill.ca/sctp/documents/>)

i. Moderate and minor program revisions – *none*

ii. Program retirements - *none*

2. Courses

a) New Courses - *none*

b) Course Revisions - *none*

c) Course retirement - *none*

(B) OTHER - none