



**499<sup>th</sup> REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE TO SENATE – Part B  
on the APC meeting held on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**I. TO BE APPROVED BY SENATE**

(A) NEW TEACHING PROGRAMS REQUIRING SENATE APPROVAL - *none*

(B) ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ISSUES / POLICIES / GOVERNANCE/AWARDS – *none*

(C) CREATION OF NEW UNITS / NAME CHANGES / REPORTING CHANGES - *none*

(D) CHANGES IN DEGREE DESIGNATION – *none*

(E) INTER-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS – *none*

(F) OTHER - *none*

**II. TO BE ENDORSED BY SENATE / PRESENTED TO SENATE FOR DISCUSSION – *none***

**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) ACADEMIC UNIT REVIEWS - *none*

B) APPROVAL OF COURSES AND TEACHING PROGRAMS

**1. Programs**

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

i. New 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

*Approved by SCTP on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and reported to APC on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

**Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences**

B.Sc.(Nutr.Sc.); Major in Dietetics (115 cr.)

**Faculty of Education**

B.Ed. in Kindergarten and Elementary Education (120 cr.)

B.Ed. in Teaching English as a Second Language – TESL Elementary and Secondary; Teaching Greek Language and Culture (120 cr.)

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**Faculty of Engineering**

B.Eng.; Major in Bioengineering (142-152 cr.)

B.Eng. Co-op in Software Engineering (141-147 cr.)

**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**

Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

M.Sc. in Bioresource Engineering; Environment (46 cr.)

M.Sc. in Plant Science; Environment (45 cr.)

M.Sc. in Plant Science; Bioinformatics (45 cr.)

M.Sc. in Plant Science; Neotropical Environment (45 cr.)

M.Sc. in Entomology; Neotropical Environment (45 cr.)

M.Sc. in Renewable Resources; Neotropical Environment (45 cr.)

Faculty of Arts

M.I.St.; Non-Thesis – Course work (48 cr.)

M.I.St.; Non-Thesis – Project (48 cr.)

Faculty of Education

M.A. in Educational Psychology; Learning Sciences (45 cr.)

Ph.D. in Educational Psychology; Learning Sciences (0 cr.)

Schulich School of Music

M.A. in Music; Musicology – Gender and Women’s Studies (45 cr.)

M.A. in Music; Theory – Gender and Women’s Studies (45 cr.)

Ph.D. in Music: Gender and Women’s Studies (0 cr.)

Faculty of Science

M.Sc. in Biology; Neotropical Environment (45 cr.)

**Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences**

B.Sc.(N.) (103 cr.)

**Schulich School of Music**

B.Mus.; Major in Early Music Performance (Voice) (126 cr.)

B.Mus.; Major in Early Music Performance (Baroque, Violin, Viola, Cello, Viola da Gamba, Flute, Recorder, Oboe, Organ, Harpsichord, and Early Brass Instruments) (125 cr.)

B.Mus.; Major in Performance (Orchestral Instruments) (125 cr.)

B.Mus.; Major in Performance (Organ and Guitar) (125 cr.)

B.Mus.; Major in Performance (Piano) (125 cr.)

B.Mus.; Major in Performance (Voice) (123 cr.)

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**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**

Desautels Faculty of Management

M.M. in Finance; Non-Thesis (45 cr.)

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**Faculty of Engineering**

B.Eng. in Chemical Engineering (143 cr.)

B.Eng. in Computer Engineering (133-137 cr.)

B.S.E. (136 – 140 cr.)

B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering (142 cr.)

B.Eng. Honours in Mechanical Engineering (142 cr.)

**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**

Faculty of Arts

M.A. in History (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; Development Studies (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; Gender and Women's Studies (45 cr.)

Ph.D. in Sociology (0 cr.)

Ph.D. in Sociology; Gender and Women's Studies (0 cr.)

Ph.D. in Sociology; Population Dynamics (0 cr.)

Desautels Faculty of Management

M.M. in Analytics; Non-Thesis (45 cr.)

**Faculty of Science**

B.Sc.; Honours in Microbiology and Immunology (72 cr.)

ii. Program Retirements

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**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**

Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

M.Sc. in Entomology; Environment (46 cr.)

M.Sc. in Renewable Resources; Environment (46 cr.)

Faculty of Arts

M.I.St.; Non-Thesis (48 cr.)

M.A. in History; Non-Thesis – Development Studies (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; European Studies (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; Non-Thesis (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; Non-Thesis – Gender and Women's Studies (45 cr.)

M.A. in History; Non-Thesis – European Studies (45 cr.)

School of Continuing Studies

Graduate Certificate in Legal Translation (15 cr.)

Graduate Diploma in Translation; English to French (30 cr.)

Graduate Diploma in Translation; French to English (30 cr.)

Graduate Diploma in Translation; Spanish to English (30 cr.)

Graduate Diploma in Translation; Spanish to French (30 cr.)

**Schulich School of Music**

B.Mus.; Major in Performance (Organ, Harpsichord, Guitar) (125 cr.)

**2. Courses**

a) New Courses

*Reported as having been approved by SCTP on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020: 7*

Faculty of Education: 1

Faculty of Engineering: 3

Faculty of Science: 3

*Reported as having been approved by SCTP on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020: 3*  
Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences: 2  
Desautels Faculty of Management: 1

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Faculty of Arts: 2  
Faculty of Engineering: 3  
Desautels Faculty of Management: 1  
Faculty of Science: 4

b) Course Revisions

*Reported as having been approved by SCTP on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020: 79*  
Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences: 2  
Faculty of Arts: 4  
School of Continuing Studies: 1  
Faculty of Dentistry: 3  
Faculty of Education: 19  
Faculty of Engineering: 1  
Desautels Faculty of Management: 40  
Faculty of Science: 9

*Reported as having been approved by SCTP on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020: 4*  
Faculty of Arts: 3  
Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences: 1

c) Course Retirements

*Reported as having been approved by SCTP on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020: 1*  
Faculty of Education: 1

## **C) OTHER**

APC was presented with a motion from four members of Senate to “extend the availability of the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) option for all courses in the Fall 2020 term, in a manner akin to that instituted at the end of the Winter 2020 term”. Senators Frizzle and Nystrom presented the motion to the committee, and a thorough discussion followed.

The committee recognized that the situation for the Fall 2020 term remains challenging for many students and instructors. However, APC committee members noted that:

-Unlike Winter 2020 where there was an interruption part way through the term, the context of class delivery was known well ahead of the start of the Fall 2020 term, and expectations were clear

-Extending the S/U option may have negative consequences for a students’ (C)GPA, some of which may not be fully appreciated at the time S/U is selected; this includes concerns about holding or receiving scholarships, or impacts on future academic pathways or careers

-Student success and wellbeing is of utmost importance, and there are many other ways Faculties and instructor have adapted their courses with this in mind

APC denied the motion.