#### McGILL UNIVERSITY SENATE



# Report of the Academic Policy Committee D13-34

# 452<sup>nd</sup> REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE TO SENATE

on APC meeting held on 12th December 2013

# 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) -

# 1. School of Continuing Studies

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting (24 cr.) - Appendix A

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed a proposal from the School of Continuing Studies for the creation of a Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting. The 24-credit Graduate Certificate, which will be offered on a part-time basis through the School of Continuing Studies, will replace the existing Graduate Diploma in Public Accountancy (CA program – offered by the Desautels Faculty of Management) and the Graduate Certificate in Accounting Practice (CGA program – offered by the School of Continuing Studies). The new single professional accounting designation, the CPA, was created as a result of the amalgamation of three professional orders into the new *Ordre des comptables professionnels agréés du Québec (OCPAQ)*. Submission to CREPUQ's *Commission d'évaluation des projets de programmes (CEP)* and to the *ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Science, de la Recherche et de la Technologie (MESRST)* for evaluation and approval is not required.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

#### 2. Desautels Faculty of Management

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting (24 cr.) - Appendix B

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed a proposal from the Desautels Faculty of Management for the creation of a Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting. The 24-credit Certificate, which will be offered on a full-time basis in the Desautels Faculty of Management, will replace the existing Graduate Diploma in Public Accountancy (CA program – offered by the Desautels Faculty of Management) and the Graduate Certificate in Accounting Practice (CGA program – offered by the School of Continuing Studies). The new single professional accounting designation, the CPA, was created as a result of the amalgamation of three professional orders into the new *Ordre des comptables professionnels agréés du Québec (OCPAQ)*. Submission to CREPUQ's *Commission d'évaluation des projets de programmes (CEP)* and to the *ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur*, *de la Science*, *de la Recherche et de la Technologie (MESRST)* for evaluation and approval is not required.

APC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting.

- (B) ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ISSUES / POLICIES / GOVERNANCE/AWARDS none
- (C) CREATION OF NEW UNITS / NAME CHANGES / REPORTING CHANGES none
- (D) CHANGES IN DEGREE DESIGNATION none
- **(D) INTER-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS** 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

Student mobility partnership – Shantou University, Shantou, Guangdong Province, China

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed and approved a proposal that McGill University enter into a student mobility partnership with Shantou University, China. Founded in 1981, Shantou University was co-developed by China's Ministry of Education, the People's Government of the Guangdong Province and the Li Ka Shing Foundation (LKSF). It is the only public university in the world that is continually supported by a private foundation. In 2010, McGill's Faculty of Law and the Shantou University Law School launched a joint initiative which brought together students and professors from both institutions. The overall purpose of the Shantou/McGill Summer Law Program, held in 2010 and 2011, was to prepare students for legal practice in a globalizing economy by exposing Chinese students to Canadian legal culture and Canadian Students to Chinese legal culture. Given this highly successful collaboration, the mutually-enriching partnership is now being extended. In July 2013, McGill University and the Li Ka Shing Foundation signed an Agreement which will allow for a donation from the Li Ka Shing Foundation to establish the Li Ka Shing Initiative for Innovation in Legal Education, the Li Ka Shing Program in International Business, and the Li Ka Shing Liberal Arts Exchange Initiative, to be funded for a period of five years, in order to build the foundation for a durable and mutuallyenriching relationship between Shantou and McGill. The Faculty of Law, the Faculty of Arts and the Desautels Faculty of Management have evaluated and reviewed the programs offered by Shantou University and are satisfied that their objectives are consistent with their own and that the partnership will be well-received and the mobility initiatives will be of interest to McGill students.

# (C) OTHER

## 1. Joint Doctoral Degrees

Joint Doctoral Degrees with Université Paris-Sud XI

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed and approved a Memorandum of Agreement for a Joint Doctoral Degree/Cotutelle McGill University and Université Paris-Sud XI, proposed by the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS), for a student in the Faculty of Law.

Joint Doctoral Degrees with the University of Edinburgh

At a meeting on12th December 2013, APC reviewed and approved a Memorandum of Agreement proposed by the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS) for a student seeking a Joint Doctoral Degree between McGill University and the University of Edinburgh.

# 2. Approval Paths for New and Revised Courses and Teaching Programs

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC approved revisions to the Approval Paths for New and Revised Courses and Teaching Programs that reflect a change in the sequence relating to the evaluation of proposals for new graduate programs and major revisions of graduate programs. As of January 2014, faculties will submit such proposals directly to the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS) for review and approval, instead of submitting them first to the APC Subcommittee of Courses and Teaching Programs (SCTP). SCTP's review and approval will follow that of CGPS. This change of sequence will result in a more efficient and faster approval process.

# 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

Schulich School of Music

## **B.Mus; Music; Jazz; Faculty Program** (123 cr.)

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed and approved the B.Mus. Faculty Program in Music – Jazz. The program was designed to accommodate students who are trained as jazz musicians and who are interested in a pattern of specialization not provided in the established major programs, or who are interested in combining studies in music with studies in other disciplines.

Faculty of Science

## **B.Sc**; **Biology**; **Quantitative Biology**; **Honours** (74-79 cr.)

At a meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013, APC reviewed and approved the B.Sc.; Biology; Quantitative Biology Honours which is designed for students with a deep interest in Biology who wish to gain a strong grounding in physical sciences and their applications to biological questions. Its two streams, a Theoretical Ecology and Evolutionary Biology stream and a Physical Biology stream, provide a balance of theory and experimental components and a research component that will provide a solid preparation for graduate training.

- ii. Major revisions 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 14<sup>th</sup> November 2013:

Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

B.Eng (Bioresource); Bioresource Engineering; Major (113 cr.)

B.Eng (Bioresource); Bioresource Engineering, Professional Agrology; Major (113 cr.)

B.Sc. (NutrSc); Nutrition; Food Function and Safety; Major (90 cr.)

B.Sc. (NutrSc); Nutrition; Health and Disease; Major (90 cr.)

B.Sc (NutrSc); Nutrition; Sports Nutrition; Major (90 cr.) B.Sc (NutrSc); Nutrition; Nutritional Biochemistry (90 cr.)

# Faculty of Arts

M.Sc (Applied); Couple and Family Therapy; Non-Thesis (60 cr.)

#### Faculty of Medicine

Graduate Certificate; Theory in Neonatalogy (15 cr.)

B.Sc (Rehabilitation Science); Physical Therapy; Major (90 cr.)

Graduate Certificate, Chronic Pain Management (15 cr.)

B.N; Integrated (93 cr.) B.Sc (N); (139 or 140 cr.)

## Faculty of Science

B.Sc; Education for Science Students; Minor (18 cr.) M.Sc; Earth and Planetary Sciences; Thesis (45 cr.)

PhD; Earth and Planetary Sciences

PhD; Earth and Planetary Sciences; Environment

## ii. Program retirements - none

#### 2. Courses

## a) New Courses:

Reported as having been approved by SCTP on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013: 6

Desautels Faculty of Management: 6

Reported as having been approved by SCTP on 14th November 2013:16

Faculty of Arts: 12 Faculty of Medicine: 2 Schulich School of Music: 2

## b) Course Revisions:

Reported as having been approved by SCTP on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013: 5

Faculty of Arts: 2;

Desautels Faculty of Management: 4;

Reported as having been approved by SCTP on 14th November 2013: 29

Faculty of Arts: 13
Faculty of Engineering: 1

Desautels Faculty of Management: 1

Faculty of Medicine: 7 Schulich School of Music: 3 Faculty of Science: 4

#### c) Course retirements:

Reported as having been retired by SCTP on 14th November 2013: 6

Faculty of Arts: 1

Faculty of Engineering: 1 Schulich School of Music: 3

Faculty of Science: 1

# (B) OTHER - none