

386<sup>th</sup> REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE  
TO SENATE

**I. TO BE APPROVED BY SENATE**

**(A) NEW TEACHING PROGRAMS**

1) Faculty of Education

**- Ph.D. in Information Studies** (Appendix A)

At a meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 APPC reviewed a proposal by the Graduate School of Library and Information Studies and the Faculty of Education for a Ph.D. program in Information Studies. This new degree program focuses on four areas of doctoral research; this distinguishes it from other programs elsewhere and creates opportunities for advanced study of information from multiple perspectives. This new degree program approved by SCTP on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2006 and CGPS on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2006. It requires evaluation by CREPUQ's *Commission d'évaluation des programmes* and approval by the *ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport* (MELSQ).

APPC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

*be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed Ph.D. in Information Studies*

2) Desautels Faculty of Management

**- B.Com.; Major Concentration in Mathematics for Management Students** (Appendix B)

At a meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2006 APPC reviewed a proposal by the Desautels Faculty of Management for a new 39-credit program that was created because of changing needs within the Faculty and changes in the Management core. The credit weight was justified to APPC's satisfaction. Approval by the MELSQ is not required.

APPC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

*be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed B.Com.; Major Concentration in Mathematics for Management Students*

**- B.Com.; Major Concentration in Statistics for Management Students** (Appendix C)

At a meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2006 APPC reviewed a proposal by the Desautels Faculty of Management for a 39-credit program that was created because of changing needs within the Faculty and changes in the Management core. The credit weight was justified to APPC's satisfaction. Approval by the MELSQ is not required.

APPC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

*be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed B. Com; Concentration in Statistics for Management Students,.*

**- EMBA – Executive Master's in Business Administration** (Appendix D)

At a meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 APPC reviewed a proposal by the Desautels Faculty of Management for a self-funded, joint program with H.E.C.-Université de Montréal. This program is designed to meet the development needs of experienced managers who are currently in, or destined for, senior management positions. Different models of management are presented. This new self-funded, joint program was approved by SCTP on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2006. The Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies [CGPS] approved this proposal on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2006 with concerns that were expressed to APPC:

- (a) Currently 60 credits to complete the regular MBA versus 45 credits to complete EMBA
- (b) On transcript, degree is identical to MBA. It should be distinct.

- (c) Thirty percent (30%) of the final mark is assigned to participation; must establish clear indicators of what constitutes participation and how the different components of the mark are graded.
- (d) There was considerable opposition to the admission criteria allowing for possible acceptance to the EMBA program without an undergraduate degree.
- (e) The diploma will have two seals rather than one diploma from one or the other University being awarded.

Approval by the MELSQ is not required.

APPC therefore recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

*be it resolved that Senate approve the proposed joint Executive MBA with H.E.C.-Université de Montréal for five years, as per the agreement with H.E.C., subject to a review after two-and-a-half years.*

APPC further recommends that Senate approve the following resolution:

*be it resolved that Senate approve the granting of McGill diplomas bearing two seals, that of McGill University and that of Université de Montréal, to graduates of the joint Executive Master's of Business Administration.*

**(B) CHANGE IN DEPARTMENT NAME AND MERGERS**

None.

**(C) CHANGE IN DEGREE DESIGNATION**

None.

**(D) ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ISSUES / POLICIES / GOVERNANCE**

McGill Supervisory Guidelines and Regulations for doctoral and master's thesis students (Appendix E)

Council on Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS)

**(E) CREATION OF NEW UNITS / INTER-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS**

None.

**II. APPROVED IN THE NAME OF SENATE**

**(A) Student Exchange Agreements (approved by APPC)**

**- Nanyang Technological University**

On 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 APPC approved a student exchange agreement with Nanyang Technological University. Nanyang University, created in 1955 from donated funds, was the first Chinese-language university created in Southeast Asia. It merged with the University of Singapore in 1980, resulting in the National University of Singapore. With the merger, the Nanyang University grounds were taken over by a new technical institute, the Nanyang Technological Institute (NTI) in 1981. In 1991 the NTI was upgraded to university status as Singapore's second English-medium university, the Nanyang technological University (NTU). In 2006, NTU achieved autonomous status. Nanyang Technological University has four colleges (Engineering, Science, Business, Humanities and Arts) comprising twelve schools. A 13<sup>th</sup> (autonomous) school, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies that will be inaugurated in 2007, will have as an important component the Institute of Defence and strategic Studies, long recognised as a world authority on terrorism. Singapore's only teacher-training institute, the National Institute of Education, is also an autonomous institute of NTU. McGill's Faculty of Education entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with NTU's National Institute of Education in 2005. In 2006-07, NTU had 19,114 undergraduates and 8538 graduates. Student exchange partners in Canada include McMaster University, Queen's University, University of Alberta, University of British Columbia, University of New Brunswick, University of Toronto, University of Victoria, University of Waterloo and University of Western Ontario. The National University of Singapore, a U21 member, is McGill University's only other student exchange partner in Singapore.

**(B) Program Revisions**

None.

**(C) Other issues**

None

**III. FOR THE INFORMATION OF SENATE**

**(A) NEW COURSES** (approved by APPC's Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2006)

1) Faculty of Arts

POLI 638 Global Health & Social Policy (3 cr.)

2) Faculty of Medicine

EPIB 638 Global Health & Social Policy (3 cr.)

**(B) COURSE REVISIONS**

**NONE.**

**(C) Retirements**

**1) Programs**

None

**2) Courses**

None

Total number of program retirements reported: 0  
Total number of course/term retirements reported: 0

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