

Curriculum and Programs Committee  
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences  
Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 2:00 p.m.  
(Room AA5014 & Via Webex)

A meeting of the Curriculum and Programs Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, was held Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in room AA-5014 and via Webex. K. Simonsen chaired the meeting. A list of attendees is attached.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

(Moved/Seconded: D. Wharram/P. Dold) Carried.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

-Minutes of April 18, 2023 were approved as presented. (Moved/Second: D. Wharram/P. Basabose) Carried.

-Minutes of May 16, 2023 were approved as presented. (Moved/Second: N. Catto/S. Thorne)  
1 Abstention: N. Lyssenko. Carried

3. Business Arising

Regarding the iBA, P. Dold met with L. Ashworth who is interested in being on any subcommittee for the iBA, and he is also interested in reviving and conducting the program for international study abroad, (which stalled due to COVID). P. Dold noted this may be an opportunity for iBA to take advantage of his interest. L. Ashworth is also willing to help with regard to criteria for international study courses. Going forward, anyone interested can let P. Dold know or contact L. Ashworth directly. R. Newhook indicated someone from Co-op Office will be interested. C. Mather and N. Lyssenko indicated their interest for the subcommittee as well.

4. Update from Interim Associate Dean (N. Catto)

N. Catto continued his presentation on data gathered for CPC. Meeting in May covered iBA and LS Requirement. Dr. Catto began this session with information on English 1020/1021. Dr. Catto indicated again this does not provide solutions, but is a data exercise to help HSS make future decisions to help improve programming. Discussion followed with the following items noted:

- ENGL 1020/1021 are intended for ESL intermediate students who are not equipped for 1090.
- English Dept indicated these should be located elsewhere
- Grenfell EAL is taught online, but also in person through Grenfell, but entrance requirements are low
- Dr. Catto did speak with those who have taught these courses, and online would work well
- Indications are these are not serving students well as they currently stand
- Can restrictions be put in place to prevent students from registering (i.e. students with more than 30 credit hours; an anti-requisite)
- Most are not HSS students
- There is a stigma attached to 1020/1021
- Some advisors are not advising students on what the proper course for them would be
- 1020 is supposed to help students be better and more proficient in English for the remainder of their program
- Students do need to take an English CRW, and a second in any discipline. These should be done in 1<sup>st</sup> year to help students become better readers, writers, more critical in reading, writing, and thinking
- Maybe make these a pre-requisite for 3000-4000 level courses
- P. Dold to organize a meeting of the Language Study subcommittee

5. CPC By-laws/Terms of Reference Discussion

By-laws for CPC were reviewed and the following items were noted for amendment to present as a motion for 1<sup>st</sup> Faculty Council in the Fall:

-3(b) – remove line item completely, as this has not been part of our process, and it adds another layer which is not required. All proposals go through various stages already before reaching CPC or Faculty Council.

-3(e) - Membership – there had been a suggestion that the committee should be smaller. All members agreed to leave membership as is. It was stated that all departments should have an opportunity to send a representative for the committee.

-3(e) – last sentence of first item - update wording to include “Co-Chairs”, to read “At Least one or more of these members shall be elected as Chair/Co-Chairs.”

-3 (f) – Update wording to include “Co-Chairs”, to read “Meetings shall be convened by the Secretary at the direction of the Chair/Co-Chairs’.

-3(h) - Reconsider Quorum, which is currently 50% of voting members, including the Chair. Change to “seven (7) voting members, plus the Chair”.

6. New Business

-It was stated that the CRW subcommittee needs to meet, and P. Dold will organize a meeting time.

-It was asked if departments are still interested in teaching the current offerings, and stated that some fundamental questions need to be asked and answered. The subcommittees of both CRW & Language Studies must start work on review, with the help of all the information N. Catto has presented.

-K. Simonsen stated it is not anticipated a CPC meeting will be required in the summer and wished everyone a safe summer season.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, September, 19, 2023 at 2 p.m.**

**List of Attendees:**

Kathryn Simonsen, Classics, Co-Chair  
Nikita Lyssenko, Economics (Webex)  
Sarah Thorne, English  
Jillian Gould, Folklore  
Charles Mather, Geography (Webex)  
Sebastien Rossignol, History (Webex)  
Douglas Wharram, Linguistics  
Phillipe Basabose, MLLC (Webex)  
Peter Trnka, Philosophy (Webex)  
Patricia Dold, Religious Studies, Co-Chair  
Allyson Stokes, Sociology (Webex)  
Rebecca Newhook, Co-op Education  
Renee Shute, Academic Advisor  
Keif Godbout-Kinney, GSU Rep (Webex)  
Renee Skinner, Registrar's Office (Webex)  
Norm Catto, Dean's Office  
Rose Frew, Recording Secretary

**Regrets:**

Mario Blaser, Archaeology  
Jennifer Dyer, Gender Studies  
Sumangali Rajiva, Philosophy  
Wendy Mosdell-Wadman, English (Non-voting/Webex)

**Absent:**

Anthropology Rep  
Undergrad MUNSU Rep (Academic Term Completed)  
Political Science Rep