

Faculty Council of Humanities and Social Sciences Meeting

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

The regular meeting of the Faculty Council, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, was held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. in A1043 and via WebEx. A list of those present is appended.

1. Land Acknowledgement

Dr. Ailsa Craig provided the Land Acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge the territory in which we gather as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk, and the island of Newfoundland as the ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq and Beothuk. We would also like to recognize the Inuit of Nunatsiavut and NunatuKavut and the Innu of Nitassinan, and their ancestors, as the original people of Labrador. We strive for respectful relationships with all the peoples of this province as we search for collective healing and true reconciliation and honour this beautiful land together.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved and Seconded that the Agenda be approved (J. Dyer/P. Dold). Carried.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Moved and Seconded that the minutes of the November 1, 2021 meeting be approved (J. Dyer/P. Dold). C. Thorne noted that the Planning and Research Committee update was not added to the minutes. Dean's Office will follow-up with Dr. Thorne to update minutes. Carried.

4. Update from Chair, Curriculum and Programs Committee (2021-2022), (N. Catto), followed by motion(s) listed below:

- **Department of Archaeology**
 - Certificate in Indigenous Studies Fall 2021 updates (K. Simonsen; carried)
 - Diploma in Ancient Worlds-update 2021 (J. Dyer; carried)
- **Department of Classics**
 - Regulations 15.3.1 (K. Simonson; carried)
- **Department of Gender Studies**
 - Master of Gender Studies Guidelines (J. Dyer; carried)
- **Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures**
 - French 4656: Francophonie in Belgium and Switzerland (P. Basabose; carried)
- **Department of Religious Studies**
 - Amended and Deleted Courses (P. Dold; carried)
 - Regulation 15.17.4. (P. Dold; carried)
It was noted these changes were made because of depleted resources, namely the loss of faculty members.
- **Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**
 - Breadth of Knowledge requirement (K. Simonsen; carried)

5. Update from Chair, Planning and Research Committee (2021-2022), C. Thorne)

- Reminder of the George Story and Henrietta Harvey Distinguished Lectureships deadline of January 14th, 2022
- The Committee is reviewing the feedback received from the Equity Survey

6. Update from Acting Associate Dean, Curriculum and Programs (S. Hoff)

- Department Heads were emailed regarding expressing interest in delivering an off-campus field school or Harlow Program in Spring 2022 and Winter 2023
- CITL is revising its recommendations for syllabi statements and instructional continuity, and we will be circulating it and our own recommendations in the near future

7. Update from Associate Dean, Research (T. Allen)

- SITA applications are being reviewed and applicants will be notified soon.
- Research Week was November 22-26, 2021 – thank you to all who participated.
- Any upcoming early January grant deadlines needing review need to be brought to attention of Grants Facilitation Officers at hssresearchadmin@mun.ca or hssresearchgrants@mun.ca as soon as possible.
- SSHRC Insight Development Grant deadline is January 12, 2022.
- There were over 150 HSS research projects submitted in 2021.

8. Dean's Remarks

- Hiring Update: Negotiations are complete for our successful Indigenous Cluster hire candidate, and the appointment is in the last stages of being finalized. Dr. Daria Boltokova will be joining the Anthropology Department in January of 2022. The Provost has approved a recommendation for a tenure-track spousal appointment for Dr. Sean Gray, who was interviewed and strongly endorsed by the Department of Political Science. Dr. Gray starts in July 2022. Following consultation with the Heads, the position that HSS was approved to recruit for has been allocated to Economics in the area of applied econometrics.
- Dean's Office HR: The Intermediate Secretary position in the Dean's Office has been posted and interviews will be completed over the next few days. Suzanne Browne is welcomed to the Dean's Office. Suzanne will be working on finance in HSS.
- Strategic Planning for HSS: The university has passed a new strategic plan "Transforming our Horizons" and all faculties are tasked with implementing that plan, in part through creating/revising strategic plans at the faculty level that align with the five strategic themes of the University plan. HSS (along with all other faculties and schools) is expected to have a strategic plan in place by the end of the Winter semester.

9. Announcements, any other business, questions

- Reminder of the Winter Coffee Break on Tuesday, December 7th from 10 am. to 12 p.m.
- The second annual ComMUNity of Giving Charity Drive is on December 4, 2021 at the Arts and Administration building.

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

List of Attendees

Arn Keeling (Geography), Tana Allen (Dean's Office/Classics), Carrie Dyck (Linguistics), Courtney Loveless, David Hancock (HKR), Diane Tye (Folklore), Holly Everett (Folklore), Kate Lahey, Liam Swiss (Sociology), Lincoln Addison (Anthropology), Samantha Lehman (English), Sarah Kuehn (Archaeology), Sarah Thorne (English), Sebastien Rossignol (History), Stephan Curtis (History), Vaughan Grimes (Archaeology), Adrienne Peters (Sociology), Cory Thorne (Folklore), Jeff Howard (Classics), Jillian Gould (Folklore), Matthew Milner (Dean's Office/History), Luke Roman (Classics), Heather C. O'Brien (HSS), Dave Wilson (Science, Emma-Jean Thomson (Linguistics), Carol Lynne D'Arcangelis (Gender Studies), Meghan Forsyth (Music), Dominique Bregent-Heald (History), Maxim Sizov (Philosophy), Anne Thareau (MLLC), Julie Kavanagh (Co-op), Sarah Martin (Political Science), Sharon Roseman (Anthropology), Norm Catto (Geography), Kathryn Simonsen (Classics), Eric Richards (Classics), Stephanie Dohey (English), Shannon Hoff (Dean's Office/Philosophy), Lisa-Jo van den Scott (Sociology), Arthur Sullivan (Philosophy), Pat Dold (Religious Studies), Jennifer Dyer (Gender Studies), Ken Hopkins (Dean's Office), Karin Thomeier (Digital Learning Centre), Philippe Basabose (MLLC), Ailsa Craig (Dean's Office/Sociology)

Regrets

Sonja Boon (Gender Studies), Jennifer Lokash (English), Andrea Keating (Dean's Office), and Renee Shute (Dean's Office)