

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND
SENATE

The regular meeting of Senate was held on May 10, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. via Webex.

95. PRESENT

Dr. M. Steele, Dr. C. Andersen, Dr. T. Adey, Dr. K. Anderson, Dr. D. Behm, Dr. N. Bose, Mr. P. Brett, Ms. L. Browne, Dr. P. Banahene Adjei, Dr. S. Bugden, Dr. K. Bulmer, Dr. N. Catto, Dr. A. Clarke, Dr. A. Craig Dr. A. Cunsolo, Dr. R. Croll, Dr. G. Cox, Mr. C. Couturier, Dr. O. Dobre, Dr. I. Dostaler, Mr. E. Durnford, Mr. D. Duda, Dr. J. Etienne, Dr. T. Fridgen, Dr. J. Flynn, Dr. G. Galway, Dr. A. Gaudine, Dr. S. Ganz, Dr. G. George, Dr. J. Hawboldt, Dr. E. Haven, Dr. R. Haynes, Dr. D. Hardy Cox, Dr. M. Haghiri, Dr. M. Hunter, Dr. K. Hodgkinson, Dr. J. Hawbolt, Dr. P. Issahaku, Dr. K. Jacobson, Dr. D. Keeping, Dr. E. Kendall, Dr. D. Kelly, Dr. C. Kozak, Dr. J. Lokash, Dr. S. MacDonald, Dr. M. Marshall, Dr. E. Merschrod, Dr. D. Mullings, Dr. S. Neilsen, Dr. D. O'Keefe, Dr. S. O'Neill, Dr. D. Peters, Dr. A. Pike, Dr. I. Percy, Dr. M. Piercey-Normore, Ms. J. Porter, Dr. J. Pridham, Dr. C. Purchase, Dr. C. Schiller, Ms. H. Skanes, Dr. A. Sullivan Dr. R. Shea, Dr. K. Snelgrove, Mr. D. Sorensen, Dr. M. Stordy, Mr. P. Sullivan, Dr. I. Sutherland, Dr. L. Twells, Dr. G. Watson, Ms. C. Walsh, Dr. J. Westcott, Dr. A. Warren, E. Pittman, Ms. I. Ojeda, Mr. J. Chowdhury, Mr. M. Chowdhury, S. Shetty, S. Jain,

PRESENT BY INVITATION

Ms. Michelle Snow, Interim Secretary of Senate

Dr. Shannon Sullivan, Chair of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The President, Dr. K. Anderson, Dr. A. Bittner, Ms. P. Dyke, Dr. D. Kelly, Ms. T. Noseworthy, Dr. J. Pridham, Dr. C. Schiller

96. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

It was moved by Dr. Sutherland, seconded by Dr. George and carried to adopt the agenda.

97. MINUTES

It was moved by Dr. George, and seconded by Dr. Marshall and carried that the Minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2022 be taken and read as confirmed.

Dr. Hunter, Dr. Merschrod and Dr. Schiller abstained from voting.

98. REMARKS FROM THE DEPUTY CHAIR

Dr. M. Steele noted that President Timmons sent her regrets for not being able to join today's Senate meeting and that she would chair the meeting in her absence. Dr. Steele then provided opening remarks including updates on the following items:

- University Planning and Budget Committee meeting to review budgets
- Auditor General Review
- The dates for the upcoming convocation celebrations were noted-Grenfell Campus Convocation on May 19 and St. John's Campus Convocation May 30 through June 3, including the installation of President Timmons, and the
- Dr. Paul Bahahene Adjei as been appointed as Interim Associate Vice-President, (Indigenous Research) along with an extension as Interim Dean of Social Work
- Dr. Gerald Galway, extended as interim Dean of Education

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Dr. Haghiri, seconded by Dr. George and carried that the consent agenda be approved as follows:

99. Report of the Academic Council on the School of Graduate Studies

99.1 Page 726, 2021-2022 University Calendar under the heading 40.35 Scientific Computing under the sub-heading 40.35.4 Courses insert the new courses as follows:

“40.35 Scientific Computing

- www.mun.ca/sgs/contacts/sgscontacts.php
- www.mun.ca/science
- www.mun.ca/become/graduate/apply/app_deadlines.php

40.35.4 Courses

- **Scientific Computing**
 - 6910 Matrix Computations and Applications or COMP 6732 Matrix Computations (*credit may be obtained for only one CMSC 6910 and COMP 6732*)
 - 6920 Scientific Programming
 - 6930 Algorithms for Distributed and Shared Memory Computers
 - 6950 Computer Based Tools and Applications (*credit may be obtained for only one of CMSC 6950 and the former CMSC 6940*)
 - **7000-7009 Selected Topics in Scientific Computing...**

Page 662, 2021-2022 University Calendar under the heading 28.10.4 Courses insert the following new course:

“28.10.4 Courses

A selection of the following graduate courses...

- 6980-6998 Special Topics in Computer Science (*excluding 6983*)

- **6983 Advanced Interaction techniques**
- 6999 Master's Project"

School of Graduate Studies (cont'd)

Page 700, 2021-2022 University Calendar under the heading 40.8.2 Courses, insert the following new course:

"40.8.2 Courses

A selection of the following graduate courses ...

- 6980-6998 Special Topics in Computer Science (*excluding 6983*)
- **6983 Advanced Interaction techniques"**

Page 662, 2021-2022 University Calendar, under the heading 28.10.4 Other Regulations insert new "Clause 4" as follows:

"28.10.4 Other Regulations ...

4. Students must obtain a grade of at least 65% in all program courses to receive credit for the course towards their program requirements. For the thesis route, the General Regulations for Evaluation of Graduate Students of the University Calendar applies. For non-thesis routes, any student who fails to receive 65% or more in a course must repeat the course in the case of required courses or must either repeat or replace the course with another program course in the case of other courses. Only two such repetitions/replacements shall be permitted in the student's program. Should a grade of less than 65% be obtained in a repeated or replacement course, the student shall be required to withdraw from the program."
100. Members of Senate received a memo from the Senate Committee on Elections, Committees and Bylaws with a listing of Constituency vacancies for the upcoming 2022-2023 Calendar year.

REGULAR AGENDA

101. Report of the Academic Council of the School of Graduate Studies

101.1 Marine Studies (Aquaculture) Graduate Diploma

Senate received and reviewed background information pertaining to the proposed new program Marine Studies (Aquaculture) Graduate Diploma. Dr. Warren introduced Dr. Jillian Westcott who briefed Senators on the proposed new program.

After a discussion it was moved by Dr. Warren and seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried that Senate approved the Marine Studies (Aquaculture) Graduate Diploma as outlined below and as provided in the background documentation.

Page 641, 2021-2022 University Calendar under the heading 22 Regulations Governing the Degree of Master of Marine Studies and the Graduate Diploma in Marine Studies (Fisheries Resource Management) insert the following new program:

“22.X Graduate Diploma in Marine Studies (Aquaculture)”

The Graduate Diploma in Marine Studies (Aquaculture) provides students with the education, training and management level skills required to participate in aquaculture development and production.

22.X.1 Admission Requirements

Admission to the program is on a limited and competitive basis.

1. To be considered for admission to the program an applicant will normally possess a relevant second class or better undergraduate degree from an institution recognized by the Senate.
2. Up to two seats per year are reserved for applicants of Indigenous ancestry who have met the admission requirements but are not in the top ranked candidates. Applicants wishing to be considered under this Clause must check the appropriate space provided on the application form and provide documentation of Indigenous ancestry.
3. In exceptional cases, applicants who have not completed an undergraduate degree may be considered for admission. Preference will be given to those who have at least 10 years of relevant professional experience and have successfully completed several years of post-secondary studies. Applicants who do not meet normal admission requirements shall be required to complete, with a high level of achievement, certain undergraduate courses before being considered for admission.

22.X.2 Program of Study

The program is offered at the Marine Institute Campus and requires successful completion of 21 credit hours of course work that includes a 12-week internship:

- AQRS 6060 Current Topics in Aquaculture

- AQRS 6061 Finfish Aquaculture
- AQRS 6062 Shellfish Aquaculture
- AQRS 6063 Aquatic Animal Health
- AQRS 6064 Fish Nutrition and Feeding Practice
- AQRS 6065 Aquaculture Engineering Technology and Systems Operation
- AQRS 6101 Internship

22.X.3 Evaluation

Students for the Graduate Diploma in Marine Studies (Aquaculture) must obtain a grade of 'B' or better in all program courses. Students must complete and receive a pass (P) in the Internship.”

MODIFICATIONS TO MMS CALENDAR REGULATIONS (ADMINISTRATION SECTION ONLY)

22 Regulations Governing the Degree of Master of Marine Studies and Graduate Diplomas in Marine Studies

- www.mun.ca/sgs/contacts/sgscontacts.php
- www.mi.mun.ca
- www.mun.ca/become/graduate/apply/app_deadlines.php

The degree of Master of Marine Studies (M.M.S.) is offered in Fisheries Resource Management (FRM) and in Marine Spatial Planning and Management (MSPM). There are also Graduate Diplomas in Marine Studies (Fisheries Resource Management) and in Marine Studies (Aquaculture).

The Fisheries Resource Management, the Marine Spatial Planning and Management, and the Aquaculture program areas will be administered by Academic Directors appointed by the Associate Vice-President (Marine Institute), Academic and Student Affairs, together with Academic Advisory Committees.

Academic Advisory Committees for each program area will be appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies on recommendation of the Associate Vice-President (Marine Institute), Academic and Student Affairs. Each of these committees will normally consist of the Academic Director as Chair, three members from the Marine Institute and two members from other academic units of the University. Appointments are normally for a period of three (3) years.

For the Fisheries Resource Management programs, a Technical Advisory Committee consisting of a cross-section of members with professional expertise related to the fishery, will provide regular feedback on program content, instruction, and future direction of the Program.

For the Marine Spatial Planning and Management program, a Technical Advisory Committee, consisting of a cross-section of members with professional expertise related to the ocean/marine sector, will provide regular feedback on program content, instruction, and future direction of the Program.

For the Aquaculture program, a Technical Advisory Committee, consisting of a cross-section of members with professional expertise related to aquaculture, will provide regular feedback on program content, instruction, and future direction of the Program.

Members of these Technical Advisory Committees will be appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies on recommendation of the Associate Vice-President (Marine Institute), Academic and Student Affairs. The Academic Director will be an ex-officio member and Chair of the Technical Advisory Committee. Normally all appointments will be for a period of three (3) years.

102. IN CAMERA MEETING- CONFIDENTIAL

Senate moved into a closed session for this item of business in accordance with **Section IV.E.2 SENATE MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES** of the Handbook of Senate By-Laws and Procedures which reads:

Matters of a confidential nature, including honorary degrees, shall be discussed in a closed session; observers are not permitted to attend closed sessions.

The President noted that the Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonial will be held in an In-Camera session and requested that all non-Senators disconnect from Webex.

The names of two candidates recommended by the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonial were presented to the Senate for awarding of the title Professor Emeritus. Members were given the opportunity to discuss the merits of each candidate before voting. Upon voting by an e-poll, each candidate was approved by at least two-thirds majority vote. The names of both candidates will now be forwarded onto the Board of Regents for consideration.

103. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned to adjourn the meeting was by Dr. K. Hodgkinson and seconded by Ms. A. Sullivan. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

CHAIR

SECRETARY