

MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY  
MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

December 3, 2019, 4:00 p.m.  
Windsor Grand Room

Present: P. Berry, A. Beverley, B. Blakney, C. Brett (Secretary), O. Corrigan, J. Devine, S. Doyle, J. Dryden, B. Evans, A. Fancy, N. Farooqi, C. Forstall, S. Garrett, A. Grant, D. Hamilton, L-D, Hamilton, K. Hele, D. Hornidge, R. Inglis, C. Ionescu, D. Keeping, L. Kern, R. Lapp, M. Lee, D. Lieske, M. Litvak, K. Meade, J. Mullen, A. Nurse, L. Ricker, J. Rogers, S. Runge, E. Steuter, E. Stregger, E. Titarenko, J. Tomes, S. Unger, J. Vickery, N. Vogan, K. Wilock, W. Wilson

Regrets: F. Black, JP. Boudreau, A. Cockshutt, E. Edson, J. Holton, J. Ollerhead, J. Rogers, V. St. Pierre, W. Wilson

Observers: A. Christie, L. Hawthorne, C. Maston, T. Reiffenstein, K. Steeves, R. Walker

01.12.03 Land Acknowledgement

C. Brett read the land acknowledgement.

02.12.03 Election of Chair *pro tem* and Approval of the Agenda

In the absence of JP. Boudreau and J. Ollerhead, C. Brett called for nominations for a Chair *pro tem*. M. Litvak nominated A. Nurse to chair the meeting. There were no further nominations.

A. Nurse then assumed the Chair.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/C. Ionescu): that Senate adopt the Agenda as circulated, with the**

A. Nurse invited Senators to a town hall meeting on December 11 regarding the searches for a new Provost and a new Dean of Arts. He also invited everyone to the University Holiday Social on December 13

06.12.03 Report from the University Planning Committee

Senate received the report as circulated (appended to these minutes), without comments or questions.

07.12.03 Report from the Academic Matters Committee

N. Farooqi and S. Garrett gave the report (appended to these minutes), which consisted for the following motions.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/S. Unger): that Senate approve the changes to Academic Regulation 10.9.2 regarding the Deans' List as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3, 2019.**

**Motion Carried**  
(1 nay vote)

**Motion (N. Farooqi/K. Wilock): that Senate approve the changes to Academic Regulation 10.10.4 regarding the Honours**

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D. Lieske commented that it is usual to specify a complete course code for a new course, rather than to denote the final three digits by XXX, as is done in this proposal. S. Garrett replied that the decision on the final numbers will be made once the course sequencing is finalized.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/S. Doyle): that Senate approve the addition of a major in Women's and Gender Studies, the addition an honours in Women's and Gender studies, the addition of courses in Women's and Gender Studies, and associated changes in course descriptions, all as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**

**Motion Carried**

S. Garrett noted that current regulations allow for after-the-fact credit if a student can arrange for a 4951 course on the subject.

E. Titarenko asked if other universities had similar arrangements for applying for credit at the end of a learning experience. K. Steeves responding that this is sometimes true of co-op programs. The current proposal, she noted, was an attempt to adapt that kind of thinking to the Mount Allison context. E. Titarenko also asked whether the current proposal is motivated by student recruitment. K. Meade answered that the proposal seeks to give credit wherever appropriate learning outcomes have been achieved, as determined by the assessment of faculty.

J. Tomes noted that the proposal appears to treat after-the-fact application as equivalent to pre-experience application.

J. Devine responded to the discussion by noting that fleeting opportunities would be best dealt with by an expedited process rather than applying upon completion of an experience.

N. Farooqi noted that the proposed changes could be improved by adding guidelines specific to the after-the-fact application for credit and by considering an expedited process for unexpected opportunities.

Senators also engaged in a discussion aimed at clarifying current practice and regulations.

A. Nurse suggested that the motion be withdrawn. N. Farooqi did so, noting that the committee would reconsider the issue in light of the comments of Senators.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/J. Vickery): that Senate approve the changes to the Bachelor of Science with Aviation program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3 (effective under the January publication of the 2019-2020 calendar).**

**Motion Carried**

S. Garrett noted that the proposed changes make program requirements align with flight training requirements, and make these requirements clearer to students.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/R. Lapp): that Senate approve the changes to the Bachelor of Commerce with Aviation with the Moncton Flight College program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3 (effective under the January publication of the 2019-2020 calendar).**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion (N. Farooqi/S. Unger): that Senate approve the changes to Academic Regulations 11.2.2 and 11.3.2 concerning distribution requirements as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3 (effective under the January publication of the 2019-2020 calendar).**

**Motion Carried**

S. Unger commented that students are in favour of the changes, noting that they find the current system cumbersome and difficult to plan for. J. Dryden asked why courses with the designations ARTS, SOSC, and SCIE are not included in the courses available for distribution credit. S.

excluded from distribution. A. Fancy asked whether there would be any issues in transition to the proposed system. S. Garrett answered that students may graduate under the regulations of any calendar in effect during their time at the university, so current students are not compelled to use the proposed system. K. Hele noted that courses in Indigenous Studies are included in two distribution categories and asked that they be treated in the same way as courses in Visual and case.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/E. Steuter): that Senate approve the changes to the Sociology program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion (N. Farooqi/D. Lieske): that Senate approve the changes to the Geography and Environment program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**

**Motion Carried**

D. Lieske highlighted the changes, which include the creation of an Indigenous Environmental Science Minor and the creation of a Environment and Social Justice stream in the Environmental Studies Major.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/L. Ricker): that Senate approve the changes to the Mathematics and Computer Science program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**

**Motion Carried**

S. Garrett noted that MATH 1311 is a new course and that the proposed changes add it to the options under the Science Core.

**Motion (N. Farooqi/L-D. Hamilton): that Senate approve the changes to the Psychology program as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion (N. Farooqi/S. Garrett): that Senate approve the changes to Academic Regulation 10.10.2 concerning academic residency requirements as outlined in the Report to Senate, December 3.**academic re3C50 M. Gi.41 Td.43 Td#54wBT/TT-co13 (e)4 kw10 612 74wBT/to the  
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D. Lieske and K. Meade then thanked the committee for work in compiling such an extensive