

## **SENATE MEETING OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

October 28, 2020  
3:30 – 5:30 PM  
Zoom Only

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**Present:** J. Allen, B. Annear (Secretary of Senate), A. Aravind, J. Bankole, R. Budde, J. Chen (non-voting), A. Constantin, M. Dale, B. Deo, D. Desai, T. Fuson (non-voting), D. Gilchrist, B. Greenall, M. Greenwood I. Hartley, L. Haslett, C. Ho Youngusband, D. Huber, P. Jackson, H. Kazemian, G. Keeler, E. Korkmaz, K. Lewis, A. Mitchell, C. Onabola, A. Palmer, A. Parent (Recording Secretary), L. Parent (Vice-Chair), G. Payne (Chair), S. Rader (non-voting), B. Owen, L. Roldan-Flores (non-voting), A. Schinkel, A. Smith (non-voting), C. Smith (non-voting), A. Sommerfeld (non-voting), K. Stathers, T. Tannert, T. Tribe (non-voting), L. Troc, M. Wels-Lopez, C. Whalen, R. Wheate, J. Wimmers-Klick, S. Zogas

**Regrets:** C. Hofsink, T. Klassen-Ross, B. McGill, M. Peterson, L. Roodenburg, P. Winwood (non-voting)

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The meeting commenced at 3:31 p.m.

The Chair noted one Faculty Senator vacancy for the Faculty of Human and Health Sciences.

A Call for Nominations will be going out for Faculty vacancies on the Search Committees for the Dean, Faculty of Environment and the University Librarian.

### **1.0 Acknowledgement of Territory**

The Chair acknowledged that the Senate meeting was on the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh.

### **2.0 S-202010.01 Approval of the Agenda**

Kazemian

That the agenda for the October 28, 2020 Open Session of Senate be approved as presented.

CARRIED

### **3.0 Presentation – Conversation: The Future of UNBC Post COVID-19**

**Payne**

The President discussed the importance of beginning the conversations regarding the future on UNBC Post COVID-19 and where higher education is going. How can we capitalize on our strengths and where do we see the University going? He welcomed discussion from the floor.

- Do we have a way to find out what credentials the world wants our students to have?
- Important to look at the 'smaller bites' and think about discipline specific and associate degrees
- Should the university be offering more hybrid programs and/or online programs to the regions and beyond?
- Should there be a broader consultation on this subject, in the form of a survey to capture opinions of students, faculty and other stake holders?
- We need to look at how the professional world is changing and how we can adapt to meet the needs.

The President indicated that he would like these discussions to continue at a program and faculty level and would refer the matter to SCAAF to hold a special meeting of SCAAF to continue the dialogue.

#### **4.0 Approval of the Minutes**

##### **S-2020010.02**

##### **Approval of the Minutes**

Nyce

That the Minutes for the September 23, 2020 Public Session of Senate be approved as presented.

CARRIED

#### **5.0 Business Arising**

None.

#### **6.0 President's Report**

**Payne**

The President provided an update on COVID-19 and the work being done to keep the campus community safe as more individuals return on-site. He asked all to remain vigilant during the second wave.

The President reported on the UNBC Regional Strategy Sessions that were held earlier in the month and highlighted the importance of our regional campuses and communities to our mission and mandates as well as our future moving forward.

The President reported that the Governance Review has been completed and a meeting will be held next week to look at the recommendations from budget perspectives. Recommendations will then move forward to Senate and the Board of Governors for review.

The President reported that both the President's Task Force on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion the Students' Roundtable on Confronting Racism at UNBC are continuing to meet and plan some 'next steps.

#### **7.0 Report of the Provost**

**Dale**

The Provost reported that he will be resuming the normal cycle of program reviews in 2021.

##### **7.1 Academic Re-Structuring**

Orientation sessions are being planned for the Deans-elect. Sessions will include both internal and external sessions.

#### **8.0 Report of the Registrar**

**Annear**

The Registrar reported that the exam schedule has gone out and there have been no requests for face to face exams.

The Registrar reported that fifteen UNBC members are participating in the ACRAAO (American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers) online conference on Strategic Enrolment Management.

#### **9.0 Question Period**

##### **9.1 Written questions submitted in advance**

- 9.1.1.1 Given that UNBC students are working digitally for the foreseeable future, what kind of technology supports are available to students on weekends? Is there a way to improve pre-existing supports to make these services more accessible? (*Senator Parent*)

*This question is in response to a student issue that occurred over the weekend. At student's account was deactivated by the University in error, leaving the student without access to their email or Blackboard. Fortunately, the student involved was able to reach someone late in the afternoon on Sunday to help address this, but this was very troubling for the student due to the fact that few tech support and registrar staff work on the weekends. The only reason the issue was addressed was because a staff member stopped by their office to pick something up, and happened to see the student's calls and emails.*

The Provost reported that the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology does have Student Tech Trouble Shooters available on the weekend. The particular problem for this student would not have been solved by them. The CIO, indicated that they could offer virtual services on the weekend if there is a need.

Senator Parent indicated that she would like to see IT services expanded for students during weekends, specifically with regards to account access given that they are relying on online access for their studies.

## **9.2 Questions from the floor**

Senator Deo asked if further comment could be made on the article about UNBC that was in the Prince George Citizen last week. The President indicated that he had read the article but the matter is a human resources and legal matter and he is unable to comment on it at this time.

## **10.0 Approval of Motions on the Consent Agenda**

**Payne**

### **S-2020010.03**

#### **Approval of Motions on the Consent Agenda**

Schinkel

That the motions on the consent agenda, except for those removed for placement on the regular agenda, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

## **11.0 Committee Reports**

### **11.1 Senate Committee on Academic Appeals**

No report.

### **11.2 Senate Committee on Academic Affairs**

**Dale**

### **For Approval Items:**

Executive Summary – Psychology was included in the meeting package.

S-202010.04 – were carried as an omnibus motion.

### **S-202010.04**

#### **New Program Approval – Masters of Arts in Counselling Psychology**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new Master of Arts in Counselling Psychology be approved as proposed.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

### **S-202010.05**

#### **New Program Approval – Masters of Arts in Counselling Psychology**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the proposed creation of the Masters of Arts (MA) in Counselling Psychology within the Department of Psychology be approved as proposed.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.06**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 701**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 701-3 Research Design and Methodology be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course is an introduction to the paradigms of research inquiry, the formulation of research questions, the consideration of ethical issues, the principal types and methods of research, the preparation of research proposals, and the reporting of research results. Students are encouraged to and assisted with utilize this course to develop either a thesis or project proposal that satisfies the research requirement of the degree program.

**Prerequisites:** Restricted to Counselling students or permission of instructor

**Prerequisites with concurrency:** None

**Co-requisites:** None

**Preclusions:** EDUC 601-3

**S-202010.07**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 710**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 710-4 Qualitative Analysis be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course provides an introduction to the conceptual underpinnings of qualitative research and qualitative data analysis methods, including case study, discourse analysis, grounded theory, action research, phenomenology, narrative inquiry and ethnography. The course includes a lab in which students learn hand coding and analysis and are introduced to the use of qualitative analysis software.

**Prerequisites:** PSCYC 701-3

**Prerequisites with concurrency:** PSCYC 701-3; Restricted to Counselling students or permission of instructor

**Co-requisites:** None

**Preclusions:** EDUC 610-4

**S-202010.08**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 711**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 711-3 Counselling Theory be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course is an examination of the theoretical foundations of counselling. Topics reviewed include analytic, behavioural, cognitive, existential, person-centered, gestalt, feminist, and postmodern therapies, including mindfulness, eye-movement desensitization and reprocessing (EMDR), trauma-informed therapy, acceptance and commitment theory (ACT), and relational theory.

**Prerequisites:** Restricted to Counselling students or permission of instructor

**Prerequisites with concurrency (taken prior or simultaneously):** None

**Co-requisites (must be taken simultaneously):** None

**Preclusions:** EDUC 711 Counselling Theory

**S-202010.09 New Course Approval – PSYC 713**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 713-3 Counselling Skills be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course explores the theory and practice of interpersonal communication and helping skills in counselling. It provides opportunity within the classroom setting to practice and receive feedback on basic helping and communications skills.

**Prerequisites (taken prior):** This course is restricted to Counselling or DISM students, or by permission of the instructor.

**Prerequisites with concurrency (taken prior or simultaneously):** None

**Co-requisites (must be taken simultaneously):** None

**Preclusions:** EDUC 613-3

**S-202010.10**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 714**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 714-3 Group Counselling Processes be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course addresses the theory and practice of group counselling. Opportunities are provided to participate in and conduct group sessions.

**Prerequisites (taken prior):** PSYC 613-3. Restricted to Counselling students or permission of instructor

**Preclusions:** EDUC 714-3

**S-202010.11**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 715**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 715-3 Career Counselling be approved as follows.  
Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021  
CARRIED

This course is an evaluative survey of the theories and practices employed by counsellors to facilitate career decision making in schools and community agency settings.

**Prerequisites (taken prior):** Graduate

**Preclusions:** EDUC 715-3

**S-202010.12**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 716**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 716-3 Clinical Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

This course is an examination of specific areas of clinical counselling such as behavior disorders, mental health concerns, learning disabilities, mood disorders, anxiety disorders, and personality disorders.

**Prerequisites (taken prior):** Graduate

**Preclusions:** EDUC 716-3

**S-202010.13**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 717**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 717-3 Ethics in Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.14**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 718**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 718-3 Family Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.15**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 719**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 719-6 Counselling Practicum be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.16**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 721**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 721-3 Advanced Counselling Skills be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.17**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 722**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 722-3 Counselling for Aboriginal/Indigenous Peoples be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.18**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 723**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 723-3 Trauma Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.19**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 724**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 724-3 Child and Youth Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.20**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 727**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 727-3 Assessment in Counselling be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.21**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 792**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 792-3 Special Topics be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.22**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 793**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 793-3 Directed Reading be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.23**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 797**

Ho Younghusband

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 797-3 Comprehensive Examination be approved as follows.

Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021

CARRIED

**S-202010.24 New Course Approval – PSYC 798**

Ho Younghusband  
That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 798-6 Counselling Project be approved as follows.  
Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021  
CARRIED

**S-202010.25**

**New Course Approval – PSYC 799**

Ho Younghusband  
That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the new course PSYC 799-9 Counselling Thesis be approved as follows.  
Proposed semester of first offering: September 2021  
CARRIED

Library Forms for new Program and Courses were included in the meeting package.

**S-202010.26**

**Change(s) to Course Description – NURS**

Schinkel  
That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the change to the course description for NURS 455-(6, 8) Foundations in Emergency and Trauma Nursing, on page 254 of the 2019/2020 PDF undergraduate calendar, be approved as proposed.  
**Effective Date:** September 2020  
CARRIED

**S-202010.27**

**Change(s) to Program Requirements – Joint Major in Anthropology and Geography**

Ho Younghusband  
That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs, the change to the curriculum requirements to the Joint Major in Anthropology and Geography, with the addition of ANTH 102-3, A World of Discovery and ANTH 217-3, Language and Culture as required courses to the lower-division courses, on page 59 2019/2020 PDF undergraduate calendar, be approved as proposed.  
**Effective Date:** September 2020  
CARRIED

**11.3 Steering Committee of Senate**

**Payne**

**S-202010.28**

**Change(s) to the Senate Handbook**

Lewis  
That, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee of Senate, the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs Subcommittee for Animal Care and Use be removed from the Senate Handbook.  
**Effective Date:** Upon the approval of Senate  
CARRIED

**S-202010.29**

**Change(s) to the Senate Handbook**

Lewis  
That, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee of Senate, the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs Subcommittee for Biohazards be removed from the SCAAF Terms of Reference in the Senate Handbook.  
**Effective Date:** Upon the approval of Senate  
CARRIED

**S-202010.30**

**Change(s) to the Senate Handbook**

Ho Younghusband



That, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee of Senate, the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs Terms of Reference and Membership be approved as proposed.

Effective Date: Upon the approval of Senate  
CARRIED

**S-202010.31**

**Change(s) to the Senate Handbook**

Palmer

That, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee of Senate, the change(s) to the Senate Handbook be approved as proposed.

Effective Date: Upon the approval of Senate  
CARRIED

**11.4 Senate Committee on Nominations**

**For Approval Items:**

**S-202010.32**

**Recommendation of Senate Committee Members to Senate**

Palmer

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Nominations, and barring further nominations from the floor of Senate, the following candidates, who have met all eligibility requirements to serve on Senate committees as indicated, be appointed as proposed.

Effective date: October 28, 2020

**Senate Committee on Curriculum and Calendar**

Student Senator (08/31/2021)

Lydia Troc

Faculty Senator (03/31/2023)

Alina Constantin

Faculty Member (03/31/2021)

Christine Ho Younghusband

CARRIED

A list of vacancies was included in the meeting package.

**11.5 Senate Committee on Curriculum and Calendar**

**Annear**

No report.

**11.6 Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees**

**Annear**

No report.

**11.7 Senate Committee on First Nations and Aboriginal Peoples**

**Dale**

Dr. Henry Harder, Vice Provost Indigenous Initiatives will be chairing this committee.

**11.8 Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special Forms of Recognition**

**Payne**

**For Approval Items:**

Regular

**S-202010.33 IC**

**Approval of the Honorary Degree Recognition Option 2021**

Palmer

That, on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Special Recognition, the two existing 2020 Honorary Degree recipients be recognized at the upcoming 2021 Convocation, and an additional two new Honorary Degree recipients for 2021 also be acknowledged. The style of recognition during the 2021 Convocation will be condensed, as an additional Honorary Degree recognition event will be held thereafter.

Effective Date: Upon the approval of Senate.

CARRIED

**11.9 Senate Committee on Scholarships and Bursaries**

**Annear**

**For Information Items:**

**SCSB20200826.03**

**New Terms and Conditions Anytime Fitness**

That the new Terms and Conditions Anytime Fitness Prince George Award be approved.

Effective Date: 2020-2021 Academic Year

**SCSB20200923.03**

**UNBC Scholars – Course Load**

That for the 2020-2021 Academic Year, the course load required for UNBC Scholars remain at 24 credit hours for the Academic Year; however, students may complete within three semesters.

**Effective Date:** 2020-2021 Academic Year

**11.10 Senate Committee on University Budget**

**12.0 Information**

**13.0 Other Business**

**14.0 S-202010.34**

**Move to the Closed Session**

Roodenburg

That the meeting move to Close Session.

CARRIED

**15.0 S-202010.43**

**Adjournment**

Palmer

That the Senate meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.