

**Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee  
January 29, 2025 at 3pm – 5pm  
University Boardroom A341**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Peter Choate	GFC Academic Staff Member, CHAIR
Phil Warsaba	Vice-President, Students, VICE-CHAIR
Evan Cortens	Dean, Faculty of Continuing Education & Extension
David Clemis	Academic Director, Liberal Education
Stephen Price	Dean Representative
Rob Boschman	Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Arts)
Reza Chowdhury	Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Business, Communication Studies & Aviation)
Nadine Van Wyk	Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Health, Community and Education)
Sarah Hewitt	Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (Science and Technology)
Cari Merkley	Academic Staff Member - Faculty Curriculum Committee (University Library)
Adam Cave	Chair of a Faculty Curriculum Committee
Ilf Dharshi	Student Representative
Matthew Noel	Student Representative
<u>Resources</u>	
Gaye Warthe	Faculty Curriculum Committee Chair
Nicole Cross	Designate for University Registrar
Cheryl Melatdoost	Academic Quality Assurance Coordinator
Sheena Dyer	Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY
<u>Guest</u>	
Karim Dharamsi	Vice-Provost, Academic

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:02PM.

**1. Approval of Agenda**

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** the Agenda for the January 29, 2025 Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee meeting be approved.

***Motion carried***

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**2.1. Minutes from November 27, 2024**

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** the Minutes of the November 27, 2024 Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee meeting be approved.

***Motion carried***

2.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

2.2.1. Midwifery, B.Mid.:

a) GNED Exemption Request

The original submission was reviewed November 27, 2024 and the motion was postponed in order to receive additional information. Additional supporting documentation for context and background information was provided in the meeting package.

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** APCC recommends forwarding the GNED Exemption Request for the Bachelor of Midwifery to the General Faculties Council for a GNED Cluster 3 exemption.

Discussion:

- An amendment to the submission was explained that the request is for a GNED Cluster 3 exemption and not a Cluster 1 exemption.
- Concern was raised about reducing the number of General Education options for Midwifery students for a required core course given the importance of General Education for students at Mount Royal.
- Discussion ensued on whether or not this change still supports the General Education model for Midwifery students, while having a curriculum that meets accreditation requirements, and how this pathway is the best solution at this time.
- The rationale for this pathway presented in the meeting package was reiterated.

***Motion carried (2 opposed; 1 abstained)***

b) Curriculum: Major Program Change – Midwifery, B.Mid. (*motion tabled Nov. 27/24*)

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of the Major Program Change – Midwifery, B.Mid, as amended.

Discussion:

- The submission will be amended for a GNED Cluster 3 exemption.

***Motion carried (2 opposed)***

It was commented that for future submissions with accreditation requirements, models used at other institutions could be referenced developing a proposal.

**3. Curriculum**

3.1. Major Program Change – Broadcast Media Studies, BCMM

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of the Major Program Change – Broadcast Media Studies, BCMM.

***Motion carried***

It was agreed to group the following proposals together by the type of change.

3.2. Major Program Change – Bachelor of Social Work and 3.7. Major Program Change – Social Work, Diploma

**Moved and seconded:**

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of:

- Major Program Change – Bachelor of Social Work
- Major Program Change – Social Work, Diploma

Discussion:

- In response to questions, it was clarified that Admissions requested and is consistent with previous adjustments.
- It was suggested to assess the impact of this change in two years.

**Motion carried**

## 3.3. Major Program Change – Bridge to Canadian Nursing, BCN

**Moved and seconded:**

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of the Major Program Change – Bridge to Canadian Nursing, BCN, as amended.

Discussion:

- In response to a question, it was explained that the program will make adjustments accordingly if there are changes in the marketplace that increases application pressure.
- An editorial suggestion was made to consistently use the wording “domestically trained nurses” throughout the submission:

**Moved and seconded:**

**THAT** the submission be amended to change the wording from “Canadian nurses” to “domestically trained nurses”.

**Motion carried****Main Motion carried, as amended**

## 3.4. Major Program Change – Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership, BHPE and 3.8. Major Program Change – Sport and Recreation Management, BHPE

**Moved and seconded:**

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of:

- Major Program Change – Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership, BHPE
- Major Program Change – Sport and Recreation Management, BHPE

**Motion carried**

## 3.5. Major Program Change – Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership, BHPE (Honours), 3.6. Major Program Change – Physical Literacy, BHPE (Honours), and 3.9. Major Program Change – Sport and Recreation Management, BHPE (Honours)

**Moved and seconded:**

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to General Faculties Council the approval of:

- Major Program Change – Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership, BHPE (Honours)
- Major Program Change – Physical Literacy, BHPE (Honours)
- Major Program Change – Sport and Recreation Management, BHPE (Honours)

Discussion:

- In response to a question, it was clarified that this change is for alignment with other Honours programs.

***Motion carried***

3.10. GNED-Prefix New Course – GNED 1302

***Moved and seconded:***

**THAT** the Academic Programs and Curriculum Committee recommends to the Registrar the approval of the GNED-Prefix New Course – GNED 1302.

***Motion carried***

**4. Committee Chair Report**

4.1. Committee Chair Updates

4.1.1. Update re: Major Program Change – Bachelor of Education – Elementary (motion defeated by GFC – Jan. 17/25)

The Chair provided an update on the January 17, 2025 GFC meeting, where concerns were raised about the minimum B grade requirement to progress for two courses that would be impacted by the RTWP in the submission to GFC that was amended after APCC, and the motion to approve the submission was defeated. Subsequent discussions with the program and members of APCC took place before the APCC meeting where it was proposed to revise the submission to apply the RTWP to the the practicum courses only.

The process for resubmitting to GFC to address their concerns and to make the changes for the next academic year was discussed. A suggestion was also made that the program undertake an evaluation of the minimum B grade requirement for those two courses to rationalize that specific progression requirement, as it is unique to this program only.

It was agreed that because the new revision was the same as the one that went through the initial 15-day consultation, the revised Bachelor of Education – Elementary submission will come to APCC “For Information” before it is submitted to GFC for decision. Timelines confirmed by P. Warsaba and N. Cross would allow for implementation in Fall 2025, pending GFC approval.

4.2. Copy of the previous Committee Chair’s Report to GFC  
Provided for information.

**5. Faculty Council Approved Curriculum**

Provided for information.

**6. New Business**

There was no new business.

**7. Adjournment 4:13PM**