Meeting Minutes

Teacher Education Program
CCASA – Committee on Curriculum, Admissions, Standings and Appeals
Tuesday, October 27th, 2015
10:30am -12:00pm – TEO Meeting Room

Present: Kedrick James (Chair), Guofang Li, Jessica La Rochelle, Leslie Roman, John Yamamoto, Meredith Fenton, Shawna Faber, Sandra Scott, Bette Shippam

Regrets: Wendy Carr

1. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda

Moved by Shawna
Carried

2. Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes from last CCASA meeting (October 15, 2015)

Moved by Sandra
Carried

3. Update to CAT 2 changes – September 29, 2015

John provided feedback from Matthew Murray in Senate regarding Middle Years and Dual Degree changes.

- Middle Years

First, Senate was concerned that the proposed changes to admission requirements were not stated on a viable timeline. They suggested an implementation date of September 2017 would be more realistic, as the proposed implementation of September 2016 does not allow enough notice, especially since the application window for students looking to enroll in the program for the 2016-17 academic year has already opened.

Second, Senate pointed out an error in the UBC Calendar in which the 12 month option for Elementary was removed but was present in the French program.

Third, Senate wanted the Admissions prerequisites to be put back into its original form instead of a secondary website.
Finally, for the changes that remove the Middle Years option from the UBC Calendar, it was advised that a statement be included in the appropriate section indicating the removal of the option, and that only students currently enrolled in this option would be eligible to continue with this program.

**Action:** Students interested in middle years education will go through advising and apply to the Elementary program. Applicants who qualify for the Elementary option and/or express interest in teaching children in the middle years (Grades 6 to 8) will be advised that there will be a cohort within the Elementary option with a focus on Middle Years (distinct cohort and practicum placements in middle years schools).

**Action:** The 12 month Middle Years option will be taken off of the UBC Calendar entirely (with the exception of the aforementioned statement).

- **Dual Degree**

  Kedrick explained that Senate thought the calendar language was ambiguous and needed to be more specific regarding dual degree changes. More specifically, Senate also noted the inconsistency in program titles and descriptions.

  **Action:** The language of the calendar will be changed to be more consistent. References to the fall semester will be changed to the phrase, Winter Term 1. Similarly, references to Term 2 will be revised to read Winter Term 2.

  **Action:** The titles for the Dual Degree offerings in the UBC Calendar will be amended to mirror the degree descriptions stated on student transcripts.

4. **CAT 1 – Addition of Psychology as a teachable subject area (John)**

  **Action:** The change will be effective 2016 Winter Term 1. As the changes to the UBC Calendar may not be processed for some time, admission to this teachable subject area will be evaluated through admission advisors.

  Shawna added that she can create a methods course by mid-January to include in the March UBC Calendar. Kedrick added that this can be offered in the summer. By June/July, this will be communicated to the students.

  *Moved by Sandra, Seconded by Guofang
  Carried
  Unanimously passed*
5. CAT 1/2 – ECED Program/ECED 422 and 423 Changes

To be discussed at the next meeting (November 10).

*Meeting adjourned by Shawna, Seconded by Sandra
Carried*

6. Next meeting date: Tuesday November 10, 2015