Meeting Minutes

Teacher Education Program
TEAC - Teacher Education Advisory Committee
Tuesday, March 22, 2022
Virtual meeting
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Attendees: Marianne McTavish (Chair/TEO), John Yamamoto (TEO), Shawna Faber (ECPS), Scott Goble (EDCP), Kedrick James (LLED), Dustin Louie (NITEP), Anne Phelan (Centre for Study of Teacher Education), Jason Ellis (EDST), Wendy Klassen (OSE)

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. Office of Indigenous Education Updates

Dr. Louie updated the committee that the timetable for the Bella Coola cohort for the upcoming academic year has been drafted. Funding, placements, and modality of course delivery are still being finalized. The summer term will be split into two terms (1A and 1B) to make sure that students can focus on one course at a time and seasonal rounds are taken into consideration. To ensure students' academic success in the program, a two-week course in the summer before the program starts (focusing on writing, citations and research skills) will be introduced. Currently, there are 9 students enrolled for the professional year and additional space in the cohort is available. A new program manager will be hired to help students prepare for the year. Next year, the hope is to expand the program by opening another centre in Northern BC in order to attract more applicants. There is a language specialization program running in the community, offered by the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology (NVIT). Indigenous-focused courses are in demand in the field.

3. Proactive approaches to Student Academic Misconduct

It was suggested that a better way to approach student academic misconduct is to cultivate a culture of academic integrity from the beginning. Dr. Carolina Palacios, who has been researching this topic, can help with our Faculty's academic integrity process.

The Provost's Office appointed Dr. Ainsley Rouse as the Academic Integrity Senior Manager to work on campus-wide academic integrity processes and procedures. Dr.

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Mark Edwards has been recently appointed as the Dean's designate to investigate academic misconduct cases for the Faculty of Education.

4. Discussion of Pilot Program continued

Dr. Wendy Klassen presented on the 16-month generalist Bachelor of Education program offered at the Okanagan School of Education. The program incorporates the core themes of Insitu, Scholar-Practitioner, Inquiry and Re-Imagine Education (INSPIRE). The program is composed of 60 credits of coursework and 25 total weeks of practicum. The coursework is organized into five blocks. A pedagogical stance conversation takes place between the students and their instructors/mentor teachers at the end of each block.

Comparing with other institutions, UBC's philosophical stance and strong focus on the disciplines make us distinct from other programs. TEAC representatives will discuss pilot program ideas at the department level and bring them back to the next TEAC meeting.

5. Approval of previous minutes - February 15

The minutes of February 15 will be reviewed at the next meeting.

6. September Orientation

The Orientation in September will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 19, 2022