

GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE AND CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE JOINT REPORT

Report to Academic Council at its meeting of January 19, 2016

FOR ACTION

1. Program Review - Final Assessment Report 2013-2014

The Graduate Studies and Curriculum and Program Review Committees recommend:

That Academic Council approve the Program Review – Final Assessment Report for 2013-2014.

Rationale

Each year programs that are either at the Response to External Reviewer Report or 18-Month Follow-Up stage of the program review process are required to submit a summary report. The Final Assessment Report is a compilation of all the programs that have created action plans based on recommendations, as well programs that are providing a progress report on those action plans. In 2013-14, there were four programs that created action plans based on recommendations (Bachelor of Information Technology, Bachelor of Science in Physics, Bachelor of Health Sciences, and Master of Science/Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science), and three programs that provided a progress report (Bachelor of Allied Health Sciences, Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Engineering and Management in Electrical Engineering, Bachelor of Engineering and Management in Software Engineering). Quality Council requires that each institution submit a Program Review – Final Assessment Report and make it available on its website.

Continuing Education Program Policy (formerly known as the Non-Degree Programs, Diplomas and Certificates Policy)

The Graduate Studies and Curriculum and Program Review Committees recommend:

That Academic Council recommends the revised Continuing Education Program policy, as presented, for approval by the Board of Governors.

Rationale

The committees recommend the removal of diploma programs from the policy as they are considered degree level programs. The policy will apply to all continuing education programs which include certificates, short courses, workshops, and other non-degree non-credit programs. Undergraduate and Graduate diplomas are currently governed by the Quality Assurance Handbook and will continue to follow the outlined processes and procedures.