



CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council

at its meeting of March 21st, 2017

FOR ACTION

1. Office of the Registrar

a. Course Description Format Change

The Curriculum and Program Review Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the adoption of an institution-wide course description format that lists the credit hour and contact hours only, effective for the 2017-2018 Undergraduate Academic Calendar.

Rationale

In an effort to ensure consistency and accuracy of the Undergraduate Academic Calendar, the Office of the Registrar is proposing an institution-wide format for course descriptions. A course's instructional method can vary from section to section and from term to term. This causes inconsistencies and inaccuracies in the Academic Calendar. Students, staff, and faculty will continue to have the opportunity to view the instructional method by logging into MyCampus or using the UOIT Class Schedule Search prior to registration.

Instructional method is recorded in Banner based on the course and semester it was delivered, and can thus be tracked. This form of tracking began in 2013-14. A Data Request can be sent to the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis (OIRA) for historical instructional method information.

FOR INFORMATION

1. Office of the Associate Provost

a. Academic Calendar Nomenclature Alignment

It was noted that there are inconsistencies in the naming conventions used for Health Science programs. To ensure consistency, and to bring these programs into alignment with the names approved by the Ministry, effective immediately all programs with Health Science in the primary nomenclature will be pluralized. The programs are as follows:

- Bachelor of Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Allied Health Sciences

Further, as 'options' do not exist in UOIT approved nomenclature, the Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering – Energy Engineering "option" will be changed to "specialization" in the Academic Calendar. The Faculty and Centre for Institutional Quality Enhancement (CIQE) recognize that the program map for Energy Engineering exceeds the number of credit hours for a specialization. The Faculty will work to modify the program map, and present changes for implementation in the 2018-19 Academic Calendar.