

#### CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

*Report to Academic Council* at its meeting of Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

# FOR ACTION

## 1. Centre for Institutional Quality Enhancement

### a. Cyclical Program Review Final Assessment 18-Month Follow-Up Report

The Curriculum and Program Review Committee recommends: That Academic Council approve the 18-Month Follow-Up report of the undergraduate program review for the Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science.

### Rationale

In accordance with UOIT's Quality Assurance Framework, the Committee reviewed the report, recommendations, and outcomes for the program that underwent a cyclical review to ensure that it meets provincial quality assurance requirements and to support the programs ongoing rigour and coherence. The attached provides an overview of the work completed to date based on the agreed-upon implementation plan.

Each review involves an examination, by both program faculty and staff and external reviewers, of the program's goals and requirements, its curriculum content, structure, modes of delivery, and assessment of student learning, and its use of available resources to support the program. Their work has generated a valuable set of documents that reflect a great deal of care and attention to the ongoing development and refinement of the program that best meets the needs of students and best represents the current state of the field of study. The Committee commends all Faculty and staff who contributed to this program review for their important input into the process.

## 2. Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science

#### a. Major Program Modification - Minor Program in Health Physics

The Curriculum and Program Review Committee recommends: That Academic Council approve the Minor program in Health Physics.

#### Rationale

Having noted that some engineering programs have existing courses that could be combined to meet the requirements for a Minor program, the Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science proposed a new Minor program in Health Physics. The Minor is intended to increase student demand for programs within the Faculty and is designed to meet market demand for this important component in the nuclear engineering workplace. This program will be available to students within FESNS as well as FEAS and Science.

#### FOR INFORMATION

### 1. Office of the Registrar

#### a. Indigenous Admissions Practice

CPRC approved an extension to the admissions practices, providing for special consideration for self-identified indigenous students. The practice mirrors that currently in place for students with disabilities and is similar to practices and policies at other top universities in Ontario and Canada more generally. This will enable UOIT to meet its obligations to close the enrolment gap noted in the Truth and Reconciliation recommendations. Students who self-identify as indigenous and meet the minimum 70% standard, but who do not have the competitive average for the academic year will have their files reviewed by the Admissions office, the Dean's office, and the UOIT Indigenous Education and Cultural Services office.

## 2. Faculty of Social Science and Humanities

# a. Bachelor of Arts - Minor Program Adjustment: Pathways Programs

CPRC approved the change to existing BA Bridge programs in Criminology and Justice, Forensic Psychology, Legal studies, Communication and Digital Media Studies, and Political Science to 2+2 Advanced Entry programs. The removal of the bridge requirement will allow qualified college graduates to complete the BA in two years, rather than two and a half years.