



## GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

*Report to Academic Council*  
at its meeting of October 17, 2017

### FOR ACTION

**1. Master of Health Sciences – field name change**

The Graduate Studies Committee recommends:

*That Academic Council approve the field name change in the MHSc program from “Community Health” to “Community, Public and Population Health.”*

The field name change is being proposed as it: (i) Better complements the undergraduate program and is a more natural transition for students wishing to pursue graduate studies in the FHS; (ii) The three terms are more representative of the nature of health research and practice in Canada and abroad; and (iii) Is more inclusive and representative of the diverse expertise and research interests in the Faculty. The full proposal is attached.

### FOR INFORMATION

**1. Master of Health Sciences - Change in admission requirements**

The committee approved removing the requirement to submit course descriptions. In addition, the requirement to contact potential supervisors prior to applying to the program and to note this on the application was added.

**2. Master of Health Sciences – New Research Seminar Course**

The committee approved a new research seminar course for the Master of Health Sciences program. Students will be required to attend at least 70% of seminars