



CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council
at its meeting of February 14, 2012

FOR ACTION

1. Bachelor of Health Sciences in Medical Laboratory Science – Change in Sessional Dates in the Fourth Year

The Curriculum and Program Review Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the change in sessional dates in the fourth year of the Bachelor of Health Science in Medical Laboratory Science Program.

The Faculty of Health Sciences has put forward a proposal to extend the term for students in the fourth year of the BSc in Medical Laboratory Science to 16 weeks per semester to allow sufficient time for students to prepare for and participate in the practicum component of the program, to harmonize the curriculum with its clinical affiliates, and to ensure that both the academic requirements and the practical competencies can be achieved within the final year of study. This means that students will start their studies at the fourth year two weeks prior to the first day of classes in the Fall term, and begin the Winter term on the first date that the university re-opens. Students will be advised of the specific term dates prior to the start of their fourth year. A detailed description of the proposed change and rationale for it is provided in Appendix B.

FOR INFORMATION

2. Changes to courses and program requirements

The Committee notes for information the following changes that have been made to undergraduate courses and program requirements for implementation in 2011-12:

- a) Bachelor of Arts in Communication – Changes in course sequencing, and core requirement option, and addition of required course
- b) Bachelor of Engineering – Changes to course prerequisites, sequencing and contact hours