

CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council at its meeting of February 18, 2014

FOR APPROVAL

1. Bachelor of Arts in Community Development and Policy Studies – new minor

The Curriculum and Program Review Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the new minor in Community Development and Policy Studies.

Rationale

Community Development and Policy Studies underwent a major curriculum overhaul two years ago when the Community Development program was combined with the Public Policy program. During the consolidation of the program a minor was not created. The minor is being created now to correct this oversight. The detailed proposal is attached as Appendix A.

FOR INFORMATION

2. Program Reviews – Final Assessment Report for 2012-13

In accordance with UOIT's Quality Assurance Framework, the Committee reviewed the reports and recommendations for the following three programs that underwent a cyclical review to ensure that they meet provincial quality assurance requirements and to support their ongoing rigour and coherence:

- Bachelor of Allied Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering
- Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering

Each review involves an examination, by both program faculty and staff and outside 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 programs that best meet the needs of students and best represents the current state of each particular field of study. The Committee commends all Faculty and staff who contributed to these program reviews for their important input into the process.

Included in this report is also the 18 month follow-up report on the following program reviews:

- Bachelor of Education
- Bachelor of Science in Applied and Industrial Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science

The attached report provides an overview of the outcomes of the recommendations resulting from the program reviews, identifies particular strengths of the programs as well as opportunities for improvement and enhancements, and outlines the agreed-upon implementation plan. The detailed reports and recommendations may be reviewed in the Quality Assurance Office.