

**Okanagan College Education Council Agenda
Meeting of Thursday, October 5, 2023 4:00pm
S 103B – Student Services Boardroom – Kelowna Campus
Motions for Education Council Meeting**

Appendix 2

Motion: “That Education Council adopts the agenda for the October 5, 2023 meeting as presented.”

Appendix 3.1

Approval of the minutes from the September 14, 2023 Education Council meeting

Motion: “That Education Council approves the minutes from September 14, 2023 meeting as presented.”

Appendix 5.1

Schedules

5.1. 2024 - 2025 Academic schedule

Motion: “That Education Council approves the 2024 – 2025 Academic Schedule as presented.”

Fall 2023 schedule

That Education Council approves that the Fall 2023 academic schedule is extended so that instructional activity that would have been held on Monday, October 2nd, can be rescheduled, if needed, to Friday, December 8, 2023.

5.2 Curriculum recommended by CPRC - S/T

5.2 a. Motion: “That Education Council approves the program revision: Bachelor of Computer Information Systems Degree as recommended by the CPRC – S/T.”

Proposal Rationale

The Department wants to remove CMNS 112 and CMNS 122 from the BCIS program because:

- CMNS 112/122 and CMNS 113/123 bear almost no similarity except in the most basic sense (i.e. universal best practices of professional/workplace writing).
- CMNS 113/123 are targeted at CIS students specifically and therefore focus on professional communication skills necessary for professional success in IT (i.e. not just a focus on technical documents but also the important skill of knowing how to translate technical information into language accessible to a lay audience. This is especially important since many COSC students begin their careers as support technicians.)
- CMNS 113/123 have learning outcomes that set them up for success in COSC courses that have a communication component (i.e. COSC 126 that has a focus on documentation and includes a final presentation; The COSC 205 and 224 has said previously that she noticed an improvement in student success after the course project in CMNS 123 was revised to align with the communication outcomes in COSC 126.)
- COSC students are introduced to IEEE in CMNS 123; the only overlap between CMNS 122 & CMNS 123 is learning how to research and use sources, but CMNS 122 focuses on APA, not IEEE. CMNS 112/122 are meant for business students, so examples and assignments are based on this premise; the content covered in CMNS 113/123 is tailored to students entering careers in IT (i.e. sample documents always have a technical component).

- Students don't learn how to write resumes/cover letters in CMNS 112/122.

5.2 b. Motion: "That Education Council approves the course revision: STAT 443 Time Series Analysis and Forecasting as recommended by the CPRC – S/T."

Proposal Rationale

The proposed changes reflect the discontinuation of STAT 240.

5.3 c. Motion: "That Education Council approves the program revision: Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Data Analytics and Economics as recommended by the CPRC – S/T."

Proposal Rationale

STAT 240 has been retired and replaced with DSCI 420. We are updating the required courses in the program to reflect this change.

Appendix 8 In camera session

Motion: "That Education Council moves in camera."

Appendix 8.1

8.1 Special Meeting Debrief

Appendix 8.2

Motion: "That Education Council approves the minutes of June 8, 2023 Education Council Special meeting as presented."

Appendix 8.3

Motion: "That Education Council approves the minutes of June 15, 2023 Education Council Special meeting as presented."

Appendix 8.4

Motion: "That Education Council approves the minutes of June 22, 2023 Education Council Special meeting as presented."

Appendix 8.5

Motion: "That Education Council approves the minutes of September 15, 2023 Operations Committee meeting as presented."

Motion: "That Education Council moves out of camera."