York University
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, December 7, 2022
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Hybrid

Agenda

1. Chair’s Remarks

2. Business arising from the minutes

3. Dean’s Remarks

4. Presentation: Research Data Management (RDM) Strategy, Open Access and Open Data Steering Committee


6. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee

7. Report of the Curriculum Committee

8. Report of the Graduate Committee

9. Senator’s Report

10. Other Business

Consent Agenda
Consent agenda items are deemed to be approved or received unless, prior to the start of the meeting, one or more Council members ask that they be dealt with as regular business.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of November 2, 2022

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Faculty of Health meetings support our mission to provide an innovative and supportive environment for learning, discovery and engagement. To ensure our common value of diversity is fully reflected, our events, publications and meetings make every effort to be accessible to all.

**2022-2023 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:**
- Wednesday, January 11, 2023
- Wednesday, February 1, 2023
- Wednesday, March 1, 2023
- Wednesday, April 5, 2023
- Wednesday, May 3, 2023

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, November 2, 2022
Hybrid Meeting – In Person and via ZOOM

Minutes


1. **Chair’s remarks**

   Chair A. Moore welcomed members and explained how the meeting would be conducted in a hybrid setting.

2. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

   There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. **Dean’s Remarks**

   Dean S. Murtha welcomed Council members. She began her remarks by discussing recruitment and enrolment and the fiscal importance of achieving enrolment targets. This year, Health programs saw a significant increase in 101 applications (e.g. direct entry from high-school) but struggled with 105 applications (e.g. transfer credit and international students). She has requested that Associate Dean M. Hamadeh work with each unit to develop a marketing strategy to attract more 105 applicants. The FW 2023-24 recruitment cycle has already begun, and she urged Council members to attend recruitment and conversion events when possible.

   She discussed a newly established teaching fellowship, “Distinguished Fellowships in Learning and Teaching Excellence” housed in the Faculty of Health which will be discussed during the Senator’s report.

   Lastly, Dean Murtha reminded Council members of the upcoming 2023 Congress events. She explained that during the weeklong event from May 27 to June 2, 2023 classes will be cancelled and a spring reading week will be held. There should be no competing events scheduled during this time. Additionally, there will be kickoff events held in January and volunteers will be needed
to support these events. She referred Council members to documentation that was posted to the Council website for review.

4. **Colleges at 2025 Presentation**

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh introduced the presentation. He also gave context regarding the Colleges Strategic Plan and outlined the student success programming offered by the Colleges. He acknowledged the achievements of Faculty of Health students in pan-university activities and awards including the Murray Ross Award, the Robert Tiffin Student Leadership Award, the Robert Everett Exceptional Leadership in Student Governance Award and York’s Top 30 Alumni Under 30 accolades.

He then called upon five student leaders and recent alumni to explain, using Alf Lizzio’s Five Senses of Student Success theory, how their personal experiences at York supported and enhanced their academic pursuits and fostered greater co-curricular involvement.

The full College report is available via the Council website.

5. **Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**

R. Bishop provided the report. In consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on Individual and Systemic Racism, the Executive & Planning Committee have finalized the composition and process for the EDID sub-committee. The EDID sub-committee information is available on the Council website and an email will be circulated shortly calling for expressions of interest for those interested in serving on this sub-committee.

There was a call for nominations for the following vacant Council positions: Vice Chair of Council, At-large member on the Executive and Planning Committee and At-large member on the Petitions Committee. Nominations and/or expressions of interest for the remaining Council vacancies can be made to Katie Hetherington via email.

6. **Report of the Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards**

M. Hamadeh provided the report.

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh motioned, seconded by Professor R. Robbio that Council approves the establishment of the Clinical Preparedness Permit Policy, effective Winter 2023. The motion carried.

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh motioned, seconded by M. Elsayed Elgobashy that Council approves the revisions to the Off-Track Requirement to Demonstrate Safe Practice Policy, effective Winter 2023. The motion carried.

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh motioned, seconded by D. Dyer Lawson that Council approves the revisions to the School of Nursing Social Media Policy, effective Winter 2023. The motion carried.

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh motioned, seconded by Professor S. Evans that Council approves the revisions to the School of Nursing Professional Behaviour Policy, effective Winter 2023.
7. Senator’s Report
Professor J. Conder provided the Senator’s report for the October 2022 Senate meeting. Full reports are located on the Senate website.

Highlights of the October Senate report included:
- New frameworks for York’s sustainability strategy
- Preliminary enrolment numbers for 2022-2023 and ongoing challenges impacting enrolment
- The APPRC report included:
  - a summary of budget consultations
  - report of the Strategic Research Plan
  - update on the Development of the Markham campus
  - the establishment of the “Distinguished Fellowships in Learning and Teaching Excellence” in the Faculty of Health. The fellowship will support the Faculty in responding to emerging opportunities for partnerships.
- The ASCP report:
  - Recommended the approval of the Disciplinary Certificate in Counselling and Mental Health in the Department of Psychology effective 2023-2024
  - sought Senate input on the new draft Academic Conduct Policy and Procedures and whether of not items required further exploration
- The Executive Committee:
  - continues to monitor pandemic disruptions
  - approved Senate Committee members nominated by Councils
  - held preliminary discussions about 2022-2023 priorities

8. Other Business
Council Chair, A. Moore announced that the Senate Tenure & Promotions Committee is still looking to fill vacancies for 2022-2023. Those interested in serving on the Senate T&P Committee may reach out to Kathy Thomas or Katie Hetherington.

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned.

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R. Bishop, Secretary
1. **Sub-Committee on EDID Update**
   The Executive & Planning Committee would like to notify Council that they are currently reviewing the Expressions of Interest from those interested in serving on the EDID sub-committee. The Executive & Planning Committee will provide Council with an update once the Sub-committee membership is confirmed.

2. **Call for Nominations**
   The Faculty of Health Executive and Planning Committee is seeking nominations for the following vacancies:
   - Vice-Chair of Council
   - At-large member of the Executive & Planning Committee
   - At-large member of the Petitions Committee

   a) **Vice-Chair of Council**
   Vice-Chair of Faculty of Health Council (two-year term, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2024 – first year serving as Vice-Chair, second year serving as Chair)
   
   At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of Council.

   Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

   b) **At-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (1 vacancy)**
   One at-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2024).

   At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the at-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee.

   Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

**Membership (Designated):**
Dean
Associate Deans
Chair, Department of Psychology
Chair, School of Health Policy & Management
Chair, School of Kinesiology & Health Science
Director, School of Nursing
Director, School of Global Health
College Heads, Calumet College & Stong College
Chair of Council
Vice-Chair of Council
Secretary of Council
‘At large’ Representatives (2)*
Student Representatives (2)

Continuing at-large member
Michael Rotondi, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

*The two members who are elected at-large by Council shall not be from the same School/Department.

c) At-large seat on Petitions Committee (1 vacancy)
One at-large seat on the Petitions Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2024).

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of at-large member of the Petitions Committee.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

Membership (Designated):
Associate Dean
Department of Psychology (2)
School of Health Policy & Management (2)
School of Kinesiology & Health Science (2)
School of Nursing (2)
Student Representatives (4)
‘At large’ Representative (2)*

Continuing at-large member:
Kristine Pedernal, School of Nursing
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ITEM FOR ACTION:

1. Department of Psychology

Change to Degree Requirement in BA and BSc Programs and Minor in Psychology • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves the removal of the minimum grade requirement of ‘C’ in HH/PSYC 1010 6.00 - Introduction to Psychology in the BA and BSc programs and minor in Psychology, set out as Appendix A, effective FW 2023-24.

Rationale:

We are proposing to remove the minimum grade of ‘C’ such that students who obtain a D or D+ in Introduction to Psychology will not be prohibited from taking additional courses and progressing in their psychology degrees. We believe students who pass PSYC 1010 will still have met at least to a minimum degree, the PLOs of ‘Define psychology and explain how it meets the criteria of science’ and ‘Recognize key concepts, methods, theories, and assumptions of psychology’ as well as ‘Describe the basic characteristics of the scientific method in psychology’ and ‘Discern the difference between personal views and scientific evidence’.

The primary rationale for this change is that we believe it unnecessarily disadvantages students who may already be disadvantaged. Not only are these students prevented from proceeding with obtaining their degree requirements, but they are left to retake the course often multiple times in order to progress. This adds undue financial burden to students in this position in our view. Moreover, during COVID, we waived the minimum C requirement and were able to conduct comparative analyses between student performance in PSYC 1010 and later performance on 2nd year required courses: Introduction to Research Methods, Introduction to Statistics, and Writing in Psychology. Results comparing performance between students who obtained a D/D+ in PSYC 1010 and students who obtained a C/C+ were not substantially different. Moreover, it was noted that many of the students who obtained a D/D+ in PSYC 1010 went on to perform appreciably better in their 2nd year courses. Lastly, we have a number of student support and success programs in place through Calumet College
(e.g., PASS; Peer Tutoring) and Learning Commons that were not in place when the minimum C requirement was instituted several decades ago.
ITEMS FOR INFORMATION (4):

The Graduate Committee would like to provide the following items for information to Faculty Council. The Graduate Committee has reviewed the following requests and approved the following items. The rationale has been included below and the full reports have been mounted to the Faculty Council website.

1. School of Nursing

Course Change Proposal • School of Nursing • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee approved a change to the admission requirement for the Master of Science in Nursing-Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program (MScN-PHCNP) as of Fall, 2023:

Admission to these two Masters programs no longer require applicants to be members of the Canadian Nurses Associate (CNA), and carrying liability protections with the Canadian Nurses Protective Society or Nurses Practitioner’s Association of Ontario.

Rationale:
The Executive Director of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario noted in Winter, 2022 that it was inappropriate and unfair to expect students to be members of the CNA and have liability insurance with the Canadian Nurses Protective Society or Nurses Practitioner’s Association of Ontario, when RANO offered similar services, as this was not a requirement of other similar programs in Ontario. This issue was discussed at the School of Nursing, Graduate Program Council, and Faculty of Health Graduate Committee, who agreed with the request.
2. School of Nursing

New Course Proposal • School of Nursing • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee approved the following course proposal “Data Analysis and Interpretation in Nursing and Health Care Research”, available for students within the Master of Science in Nursing-Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program (MScN-PHCNP).

Rationale:
Master’s prepared nurses require knowledge and skills to lead original research, investigate clinical problems, and implement evidence informed practices based on quantitative and qualitative research. This data analysis course will prepare MScN graduates to lead and participate in proposal development, data collection, analysis, interpretation, integration and dissemination, and will complement and expand on students’ knowledge gained in the Quantitative and Qualitative Research methods courses (GS/NURS 5200 and 5300).
3. School of Health Policy and Management

Program Change • School of Health Policy and Management • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee approved the following minor modification to the PhD in Critical Disability Studies (CDS) program: that the comprehensive exam requirement be changed from three papers and an oral exam, to two papers and an oral exam.

Rationale:
The proposed change is in response to recommendations from the 2020-21 CDS cyclical program review, continuing conversations at the CDS executive, and consultation with students. CDS remains committed to ensuring relevancy of the comprehensive requirement while addressing barriers to completion for doctoral students. This change will support timely graduation for PhD students, and remains aligned with program learning outcomes and supports for innovation in academic scholarship.
4. Department of Psychology

New Course Proposal • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee approved the following new course proposal: “Strategies for Data Management and Data Cleaning” (PSYC 6120), effective Fall, 2024.

Rationale:

A large proportion of research conducted in the Department of Psychology is quantitative in nature. Despite this, within graduate courses in the Department and Faculty at large, little attention is paid to the systematic assessment and process of data management. This course will fill a major gap in this area, by teaching graduate students how to manage data from the collection phase, through to the main analysis, in a manner that ensures that the data are trustworthy and appropriate for analysis. This course also reflects the priorities of federal graining agencies, to ensure data management plans describe how data is ‘collected, documented, formatted, protected and preserved.’