CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council

at its meeting of November 15th, 2016

FOR INFORMATION

1. Faculty of Health Sciences
   
   a. Bachelor of Health Science in Medical Laboratory Science – Minor Program Adjustment
      In 2014 a new diploma to degree pathway for graduates of Durham and Fleming colleges was approved. Included in the proposal was an admission requirement that candidates must provide documentation of successful completion of an approved comprehensive human anatomy and physiology course(s). An approved list was not established at that time, meaning that UOIT provides transfer credit notification on a case-by-case assessment basis only after the student is conditionally admitted and prospective students may learn too late that they do not meet this requirement.

      In an effort to increase the quality of the applicant pool and clarify the admissions process, the Faculty of Health Sciences, in cooperation with the Office of the Registrar, proposed to formally add the list of preapproved courses to the MLSC-Bridge admission requirements. This would allow UOIT to specifically advise potential students of their options during an early recruitment process and ensure the applicant pool is able to meet our admission requirements prior to the admission deadlines. The formalization of this list will not exclude students from applying with alternate courses (i.e. courses not on the approved list); those students will continue to be processed through the transfer credit process.

2. Faculty of Social Science and Humanities
   
   a. Bachelor of Arts in Forensic Psychology – Minor Program Adjustment
      The Faculty of Social Science and Humanities proposed the removal of PSYC3050U – Clinical Forensic Psychology and PSYC3820U – Psychology of Deviance from the list of course options for the Forensic Psychology minor. Both courses were recently changed to 4th year courses that are small seminar-style classes and are restricted to students majoring in Forensic Psychology. Having 4th year small seminar-style classes restricted to those majoring in Forensic Psychology greatly benefits students in the program as it allows them to participate in more in depth discussions, do extensive presentations, receive more one-on-one interaction with the professor, etc. Those minoring in Forensic Psychology will have sufficient selection when choosing their courses as 9 course options remain, of which they are only required to take 3.

   b. Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies – Minor Program Adjustment
      The Faculty of Social Science and Humanities proposed modifications to the Legal Studies program learning outcomes based on recommendations from the program review which took place in the fall of 2015. These revised outcomes were developed in June-July 2016. The revised learning outcomes are more reflective of the material being taught in the program and align well with the Degree Level Expectations. These learning outcomes will more clearly inform any future changes to the program and the outcomes for individual courses.