

## Academic Council Meeting

May 10, 2022  
5:00 – 6:30 pm  
Microsoft Teams/ CELT 2-205

# Minutes

Time	Item	Action	Owner
5:00	<p><b>Attendees:</b> Corey Mushynsky, Dawn Witherspoon, Diane Van der Gucht, Emmeline Marie Sanson, Greg Eklics, Heather Kitteringham, Japleen Punia, Karrie Auger, Karyn Nickerson, Leeheon Koo, Leonce Rushubirwa, Lezlee Tuthill, Manna Liu, Marlene Phillips, Mayme Wong, Navjot Kaur, Rob Gurney, Saurabh Vashisht, Sandra Moore, Tanya Friesen, Tibetha Kemble</p> <p><i>Scribe: Rebecca Bock-Freeman</i></p> <p><b>WELCOME &amp; TREATY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</b></p> <p><b>Celebration for end of Winter Term 😊</b> <i>Members shared stories about experiences or students over the winter term, or stories of the beginning of Spring Term.</i></p>		
	<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>		
5:30	<p><b>1. Approval of the Agenda</b></p> <p><i>Motion to approve the agenda: Moved Manna Liu; Seconded Corey Mushynsky</i></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	<b>Decision</b>	Dr. Leonce Rushubirwa, Chair
5:35	<p><b>2. Approval of the Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March 8, 2022</li> </ul> <p><i>Motion to approve the minutes: Moved; Marlene Phillips; Seconded Manna Liu</i></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	<b>Decision</b>	Dr. Leonce Rushubirwa, Chair
5:40	<p><b>3. Brainstorming New Program Ideas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are your new program ideas?</li> <li>What skills do you see that are rising or will rise over the next 10 years?</li> <li>What criteria should we keep in mind when we develop a new program?</li> </ul> <p><i>The Program Development team hosted a conversation on new program ideas using Mural. Ideas submitted by the group included: Software Engineering, Vet Tech,</i></p>	<b>Discussion</b>	Jay Suathim, Program Development Manager; Angela Namocatcat, Academic Development Specialist

	<i>Cyber Security, Medical Lab Tech, Graphic Design &amp; Digital Marketing, Tourism, Urban Agriculture, EDI, Indigenous Storytelling, Project Management, Sustainability &amp; Climate Change.</i>		
6:05	<p><b>4. Update on Tuition and Fees – Advanced Education in Orthopaedics for LPNs Exceptional Tuition Increase</b></p> <p><i>Rebecca Bock-Freeman shared that the NorQuest College has been advised by Alberta Advanced Education that the proposed exceptional tuition increase for the Advanced Education in Orthopaedics for LPNs program will take 9-12 months to move through the ministerial approval process, and therefore not come into effect in the 2022-23 Academic Year. A maximum tuition increase of 10% will be applied to the program for this year.</i></p>	<b>Information</b>	Rebecca Bock-Freeman, Senior Executive Associate, VPA Office
6:15	<p><b>5. Follow Up/Next Steps on Group Discussion Question:</b> How can academic council support and drive change on anti-oppressive work/racism?</p> <p><i>Academic Council discussed how we could create a hub for students to enhance belonging and a sense of community. Ideas suggested included: a student lounge, inviting students and staff to events, scheduling classes to allow for college events (Zumba, music, BBQs) and friendly competitions.</i></p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Dawn Witherspoon will lead a future discussion on a statement from Academic Council on anti-racism.</p>	<b>Discussion</b>	Dr. Leonce Rushubirwa, Chair
6:33 pm	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>		