

Participants:

Rob-Roy Douglas (Faculty At Large) *Chair
Brandon Mackinnon (Faculty At Large) *Vice-Chair
Mark Andaya (Student)
Morteza Ghadirian (Faculty At Large)
Kathy Handley (Administration)
Tara Hyland-Russell (Administration)
Josh Klassen (Faculty At Large)
Rosemarie Lee (Student)
Bruce McKay (Faculty At Large)
Howard Moody (Faculty At Large)
Lisa Morin (Staff)
Faisal Rashid (Faculty At Large)
Marissa Thola (Faculty At Large)
Lindsay Tiemer (Acting as proxy for Registrar)
Mike Gilbert (Board Representative)
Audra Holloway (Recording)

Absent: Heather Cobbett Lynette Forrest Darren Giersch
Ramanpreet Kaur Josephine Mata Warren Stokes
Todd Bondaroff

Guest(s): Nicole Dahlen Paula Avender Karen Liska
Erika Reimer

Territorial Acknowledgement:

Northern Lights College expresses gratitude for the First Nations people of the Cree, Dene, Dane-zaa, Kaska, Saulteau, Tse'khene, Tahltan and Tlinglit for sharing their territory with us.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. Adoption of Minutes, January 25, 2023

23.02.01 M/S –THOLA/HANDLEY

Motion: *THAT the minutes of January 25, 2023 be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED

3. Action List

Education Council Process Flowchart – nothing to report.

A. Holloway to update the timelines listed for the Policy Committee policies.

Decision Item(s)

4. Revised PNUR 099

N. Dahlen explained that the revision was simply that the course outline prerequisites were revised to allow for a student to be concurrently registered in BIOL 050 or Biology 12 and PNUR 099. She added that this would allow increased access for both high school students and mature learners.

B. Mackinnon asked if the PNUR instructors felt that a student could be successful in PNUR 099 while also taking BIOL 050 at the same time. N. Dahlen answered that she met with the instructor/chair and discussed the pros and cons. They felt that while the workload may be heavy, the courses are similar and would complement each other.

M. Thola asked about what would happen if the PNUR 099 student fails the co-requisite BIOL 050 or Biology 12 and passes PNUR 099. T. Hyland-Russell asked if there were any transfer agreements with PNUR 099, as it may cause transfer problems if the student fails BIOL 050/Biology 12 and passes PNUR 099. N. Dahlen answered that there currently were active transfer agreements for PNUR 099 and that the impact could be further investigated.

M. Gilbert asked about PNUR 099 and dual credit students. He asked whether dual credit students receive high school credit as a Board approved Biology course option. As taking it in addition to a full schedule may impact their ability to successfully complete all courses. L. Tiemer answered that she would have to take this question away and investigate it further.

L. Tiemer asked for further clarification regarding the grade requirements for a prerequisite, but not requiring one for a co-requisites. She added that that it was regarding how the revised pre- or co-requisite statement was currently written. N. Dahlen answered that they had simply moved the statement from the prerequisite spot into the pre- or co-requisite spot. She added that they could rewrite it for clarification.

Education Council decision to table this submission to allow for investigation into questions raised and bring it to a future meeting.

23.02.02 M/S –THOLA/GHADIRIAN

~~Motion: THAT the Education Council approves the revised Course Outline PNUR 099, effective May 2023.~~

Motion: THAT the Education Council postpones the motion for the submission for the revised Course Outline PNUR 099 to the March 22, 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

5. Revised ECE Diploma

N. Dahlen explained that in the Program Guide the English admissions requirement was updated to a C+ (from a C) as the department felt that it was negatively impacting students. She added that Language Arts 12 was removed to align with the EA program as well.

B. Mackinnon asked if the change would have any effect on the student's eligibility for a Canada Student Loan. K. Liska explained that the eligibility of the program for a Canada Student Loan was currently under review with the Registrar's department. B. Mackinnon asked about the French grade admission requirement. K. Liska explained that there were no concerns reported by Éducacentre regarding the current French grade. She added that the French language students were required to take a French test with a minimum passing grade of 60%.

L. Tiemer asked about the effective date of September 2023 and the transition plan for the students that were currently admitted to the program. N. Dahlen explained that anyone that would apply with a 'C' would be looked at in a case-by-case basis. T. Hyland-Russell asked if the students would be 'grandfathered' in under whatever the admission requirements were at time of application. K. Liska explained that this would be the case for both the Spring and Fall intakes.

23.02.03 M/S –THOLA/GHADIRIAN

Motion: *THAT the Education Council approves the revised program information and completion guide for the Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care, effective September 2023 as presented.*

CARRIED

6. Revised EA Certificate and Diploma & HDEC 105

N. Dahlen explained that the submission consisted of:

- 1) Changed language in English requirement along with altering the documentation required for admission.
- 2) Changed required courses area in Diploma Program Guide to include HDEC 105 as an alternate to FNST 100.
- 3) New course HDEC 105 which is FNST 100 without an invigilated exam.

N. Dahlen further explained the new course outline HDEC 105. The course would have the same learning outcomes as FNST 100 but, be instructed in a decolonized fashion in that for evaluation purposes there would not be exams and would instead have assignments/reports. She added that the course had been offered on a trial basis for a year, in addition to the original FNST 100.

J. Klassen asked if the new course HDEC 105 would be considered more of a project-based learning style. The ECE chairs answered 'yes'.

B. Mackinnon asked if the two courses would be considered equivalent. K. Liska answered that from the EA perspective, an EA instructor would say absolutely. She added that the current UNAS FNST instructors did not feel it was equivalent and subsequently was why the HDEC 105 course was originally created.

R. Douglas stated that as an undergraduate course FNST 100 could possibly lose its transferability without an invigilated exam. K. Handley answered that she currently was looking into examples of other institutions that do not have invigilated assignments or exams in their first-year courses.

From discussion – points to be looked into/discussed prior to next submission to Education Council:

- course transferability of HDEC 105 to other institutions (like SFU)
- would HDEC 105 be recognized as 'equivalent' to FNST 100 (would it satisfy graduation requirements for other programs)
- if a student took both FNST 100 & HDEC 105 – would they get credit for both
- should the new course have a FNST rubric (and not HDEC)

23.02.04 M/S –THOLA/GHADIRIAN

~~Motion: THAT the Education Council approves the new Course Outline HDEC 105 and the revised Program Information and Completion Guide for the Diploma in Education Assistant and the Certificate in Education Assistant, effective September 2023.~~

Motion: THAT the Education Council postpones the motion for the submission for the new Course Outline HDEC 105 and the revised Program Information and Completion Guide for the Diploma in Education Assistant and the Certificate in Education Assistant to the March 22, 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

7. Revised ECE/EA Outlines

N. Dahlen explained that the submission was to update the course outlines onto the new template, move the co-requisites into the correct space, and update the language used throughout to reflect current practice.

B. Mackinnon noted the following errors:

ECEC 200 – Course Title ‘2 or II’ – N. Dahlen confirmed that it was ‘II’

ECED 109A – Incorrect Total Hours calculation – corrected.

ECED 111 – Incorrect Total Hours calculation – corrected.

ECED 203A – Course Title ‘Infant or Infants’ – N. Dahlen confirmed that it was ‘Infant’

ECED 208

- Course Title ‘Toddler or Toddlers’ – N. Dahlen confirmed that it was ‘Toddlers’

- Incorrect Total Hours calculation – corrected.

ECED 210 – Incorrect Total Hours calculation – corrected.

HDEC 101 – Course Title ‘1 or I’ – N. Dahlen confirmed that it was ‘I’

23.02.05 M/S –THOLA/RASHID

Motion: THAT the Education Council approves the revised Course Outlines (as amended):

- ECEC 100 ECED 101 EDAS 141A HDEC 100
- ECEC 200 ECED 109A EDAS 142A HDEC 101
- ECEC 201 ECED 110 EDAS 143 HDEC 102
- ECEC 202 ECED 111 EDAS 144 HDEC 103
- ECEC 203 ECED 150 EDAS 145 HDEC 104
- ECED 203A EDAS 146 HDEC 121
- ECED 207 EDAS 148
- ECED 208 EDAS 152
- ECED 210 EDAS 153
- ECED 215 EDAS 240
- EDAS 241
- EDAS 242
- EDAS 243
- EDAS 244

CARRIED

8. In Camera: Honorary Associate of Arts Degree Nomination 2023

23.02.06 M/S –MCKAY/TIEMER

Motion: THAT the Education Council moves to endorse and recommend to the College Board of Governors that the candidate be awarded an Honorary Associate of Arts Degree for 2023.

CARRIED

Subcommittee Standing Reports

9. Education Policy Committee

A. Holloway reported that the group met on February 15th and were currently finalizing the DRAFT of the Evaluating Students policy. They are also currently working on the Withdrawal policy and are waiting for feedback from stakeholders on the Academic Integrity policy.

10. Curriculum Committee

R. Douglas reported that the group met on both February 2nd and February 8th to review the documents for the meeting.

11. Admissions and Standards Committee

A. Holloway reported that the group met on January 26th and that the meeting for February 23rd had been cancelled. She explained that the group continues to review/revise the NLC Admissions policy.

Information/Discussion

12. Continuing Education

At the request of the department, A. Holloway presented the new Continuing Education Course Outlines, as the department was busy with a workshop.

CE HW127 Pregnancy and Childbirth Prep Series

CE AC87 Spanish Language: Conversation Basics Level 2

Notes: R. Douglas welcomed new members T. Hyland-Russell and R. Lee and thanked M. Thola, H. Cobbett and J. Klassen for their contributions through their term on Education Council. Nominations for Education Council representatives are now open and will close on March 3rd at 4pm.

Adjournment – 2:40 p.m.

Next Meeting – March 22, 2023

These notes are not officially approved until initialed by the Chairperson. They could be subject to amendment.