

MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY
MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

October 15, 2019, 4:00 p.m.
Windsor Grand Room

Present: K. Bell, A. Beverley, F. Black, B. Blakney, JP. Boudreau (Chair), C. Brett (Secretary), A. Cannon, A. Cockshutt, O. Corrigan, J. Devine, S. Doyle, J. Dryden, E. Edson, B. Evans, A. Fancy, N. Farooqi, C. Forstall, S. Garrett, D. Hamilton, K. Hele, D. Hornidge, J. Holton, C. Ionescu, D. Keeping, L. Kern, M. Lee, D. Lieske, M. Litvak, K. Meade, A. Nurse, C. O'Connor, J. Ollerhead (Vice-Chair), G. Ouellette, L. Ricker, S. Runge, A. Solomon, V. St. Pierre, E. Steuter, E. Titarenko, J. Tomes, S. Unger, J. Vickery, N. Vogan, K. Willock, W. Wilson

Regrets: A. Grant, M. Lee, N. Vogan

01.10.15 Land Acknowledgement

JP. Boudreau reminded senators that the meeting is taking place on the unceded ancestral lands of the Mi'kmaw people. He then thanked everyone in the community for their efforts to incorporate Indigenous ways of knowing into their activities.

02.10.15 Approval of the Agenda

Motion (A. Cockshutt/A. Nurse): that Senate adopt the Agenda as circulated.

Motion Carried

03.10.15 Approval of the Senate Minutes of September 17, 2019

Motion (V. St. Pierre/S. Unger): that Senate adopt the Minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2019.

Motion Carried

04.10.15 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

05.10.15 Report from the Chair

JP. Boudreau announced that the Association of Atlantic Universities published enrollment numbers on October 15. Mount Allison has a total enrollment of 2167 students. Included in this total are 700 new students, 115 new visa (international) students, and 225 visa students. International enrollments now comprise 12 percent of Mount Allison's student body. Mount Allison's admissions average is 87.1%, while its first-to-second-year retention rate increased to 80% from 77% in the previous year.

The President acknowledged the work of the Admissions Office in planning the University Open House on October 18. K. Meade informed Senate that, as of the time of the meeting, 682 people had registered to attend.

JP. Boudreau congratulated the community on achieving a Number 1 in the MacLean's Rankings of primarily undergraduate universities.

The President thanked Indigenous Affairs Coordinator, Patty Musgrave-Quinn, for organizing the University Powwow. He also noted the collaboration with Université de Moncton on the Powwow and on the Culture and Language Symposium. He also noted the Red Dress vigil on October 1 and the unveiling of the stained glass work by Pauline Young, which can be seen in Tweedie Hall.

JP. Boudreau informed Senate that the university is in the final stages of hiring a consultant to lead the search for a new Provost and a new Dean of Arts. A call for faculty participation in the search for a Provost has been issued.

The President reported that meetings between New Brunswick's four university presidents and officials from the provincial Department of Post-secondary Education, Training, and Labour have resulted in a draft joint statement, which will be released shortly.

Away from campus, the President has been in Bermuda to finalize a pathway agreement and maintain contact with alumni. He will also embark on a donor engagement trip to Ontario.

Finally, JP. Boudreau thanked everyone who helped to organize special events and campus, drawing special attention to the following:

1. Sackville Refugee Response Coalition community meeting on October 15.
2. A Budget Town Hall on October 17
3. The Interdisciplinary Conversations session on October 17.
4. University Open House on October 18.
5. Mount Allison Model United Nations, October 18-20.
6. Maple League *Up for Debate*, October 25-27.
7. The Elevate conference on experiential learning, November 1-2.

0.6.10.15 Candidates for Degrees – October Graduation

Senate went *in camera* for the purpose of the purpose of considering candidates for degrees. Upon completing that task, it moved *ex camera*.

07.10.015 Fall Convocation

JP. Boudreau declared Convocation open. As Vice-Chancellor, he then conferred degrees *in absentia* to the candidates whom Senate had approved. JP. Boudreau then declared Convocation closed.

08.10.15 Strategic Planning Update

JP. Boudreau informed Senate that the Presidential Advisory Committee on Academic Program Development is at work studying current programs and looking for ways to move new ideas forward. The Academic Deans are striking working groups on programs in Museum and Curatorial Studies, Aviation, Health, and Data Science.

The President announced that the Department of Post-secondary Education, Training, and Labour has provided the university with funding for a new officer to help write and submit program proposals.

JP. Boudreau informed Senate that he will be holding open sessions on the Strategic Roadmap on October 22 and 24. He noted that he is also available to meet with departments on request.

J. Devine asked about the relationship between the new Presidential Advisory Committee and Senate's Academic Matters Committee. JP. Boudreau answered that any programs arising out of the work of the Advisory Committee would be submitted to Academic Matters for consideration and, if approved, presentation to Senate. A. Cockshutt added that the Advisory Committee is not a substitute for Academic Matters. In particular, there is no requirement that program changes go through the Advisory Committee.

09.10.15 Report from the University Planning Committee

J. Ollerhead reported that the committee has been meeting weekly to consider requests for long-term positions. The committee plans to meet during the week of October 21 to decide on its priorities. He said that he hopes to have decisions made by the end of October.

10.10.15 Report from the Academic Matters Committee

N. Farooqi gave the report (appended to these minutes), which consisted for the following motion.

Motion (N. Farooqi/J. Holton): that Senate approve the addition of the degree Bachelor of Commerce – Aviation with the Moncton Flight College as outlined in the Report to Senate, October 15, 2019

Motion Carried

JP. Boudreau noted that this motion stems from revisions requested by the MPHEC to a Senate-approved program. He noted that the Government of New Brunswick and the MPHEC have been in communication over a review of the MPHEC.

11.10.15 Report from the Committee on Committees

L. Ricker gave the report, which consisted of the following motion.

Motion: (L. Ricker /A. Nurse): that Senate acclaim the following nominees to the committees indicated for terms commencing immediately, and ending June 30, 2022.

- Academic Integrity Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member or librarian
Mohammad Ahmady

- Admissions and Readmissions Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member or librarian
Kirsty Bell
- Scholarships and Bursaries Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member or librarian
Nathan Johnson
- Teaching and Learning Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member from the Faculty of Arts
Robert Lapp
- Honorary Degrees Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member or librarian
Elizabeth Wells
- Senate Agenda Committee
VACANCY: 1 faculty member or librarian
James Devine

12.10.15 Report for Information

Senate received the following report (appended to these minutes). There were no questions or comments.

- a) the Academic Integrity Committee

13.10.15 Report from Faculty Council

Senate received the report (appended to these minutes). JP. Boudreau noted that the discussion was deeper than indicated by the summary given in the report.

14.10.15 Discover Mount Allison

A. Beverley announced that the Centre for Canadian Studies is organizing a trip to the Confederation Centre in Charlottetown on Friday, November 1 to attend a talk by Senator Murray Sinclair.

S. Runge noted that 55 high school musicians will visit Mount Allison from October 18 to October 20 to participate in the annual Mount Allison Honour Band weekend, with a concert conducted by James Kalyn on the final day.

F. Black announced that R-PEACE is hosting a conference on Engaging Spaces in Learning, October 25-26.

15.10.15 Other Business

There was no other business.

116.10.15 Adjournment

There being no further business or announcements, the meeting adjourned at 4:49 pm (V. St. Pierre).

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Brett
Secretary

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Appendices to the Minutes

- Report from the Academic Matters Committee
- Report from the Academic Integrity Committee
- Report from Faculty Council

ACADEMIC MATTERS COMMITTEE
Report to Senate, October 15, 2019

This report contains recommendations for changes to a new academic program effective under the 2020-2021 academic calendar:

- The addition of a Bachelor of Commerce – Aviation degree with Moncton Flight College.

Note: additions/changes are indicated in bold text, deletions are indicated with strikethrough.

- The Academic Matters Committee recommends the addition of the following program under the Bachelor of Commerce degree:

11.5.12 Commerce - Aviation ~~Management~~ offered in conjunction with Moncton Flight College

Commerce - Aviation is 120 credits earned as follows:

- 42 from the Commerce core requirements as follows:
 - 27 from COMM 1011, 1411, 2101, 2131, 2201, 2301, 3501, 4311, 4321
 - 6 from ECON 1001, 1011
 - 3 from Computer Science or Mathematics (excluding MATH 1011)
 - 6 from ECON 1701, 2701
 - OR MATH 2311, ECON 2701
 - OR MATH 2311, 2321
 - OR PSYC 2001, 2011
 - OR SOC 3301, 3311
 - OR WGST 3111, WGST 3121
 - OR COMM 3401, GENV 3701
- 12 from distribution courses comprised of 6 credits earned in Arts and Letters, and 6 credits earned in Humanities (11.5.3)
- 6 from GENS 1401, 2421
- 24 from Commerce electives, with at least 18 credits at the 3/4000 level including 3 credits from COMM **4381**- Business of Aviation
- 36 credits twelve of which are designated at the 3/4000 level as follows:
 - a. from Moncton Flight College through completing the requirements for flight training outlined in the Handbook for the Mount Allison Bachelor of Science (Aviation) including the Commercial Pilot Licence with Multi-engine and Instrument Flight Rules ratings, OR
 - b. from Moncton Flight College by transfer after completion of the Diploma in Aviation Technology (Pilot), OR
 - c. from Confederation College by transfer after completion of the Aviation Flight Management Diploma

Note 1: the regulation requiring a Minor is waived for students pursuing a Bachelor of Commerce - Aviation ~~Management~~

Note 2: Consultation with the Program Advisor for Aviation must occur before the student's second year of study.

Other calendar entries affected: Change section numbers for ~~11.5.12~~ **11.5.13** Major from Other Disciplines and ~~11.5.13~~ **11.5.14** Transferring to Commerce

Rationale: Since 2008, MtA's Faculty of Science has offered an interdisciplinary B.Sc. with a Major in Aviation. Starting with just two students, the program has grown year over year. In 2017, total enrollment for the program increased to more than 65 students (in years one through four).

This high-growth, high-profile program has brought the Faculty of Science increased recognition, along with a new population of particularly motivated students. By attracting Aviation students with an interest in business studies, we could boost enrollment in Commerce while enhancing the RJCBS brand. A Bachelor of Commerce - Aviation would strengthen our identity as a business program that uses experiential learning to develop future leaders and would likely elevate our profile on campus, build our reputation in leadership development, and grow our enrollment.

Below are some specific reasons for developing this program:

- **Support from university administration.** The university administration has responded positively to the idea of an aviation option for the Commerce degree because such an offering would promote interdisciplinarity as well as experiential learning.
- **Existing program management.** Bob Rosebrugh, who coordinates the B.Sc. Major in Aviation, or his successor, would also coordinate the Bachelor of Commerce - Aviation. The administrative burden for the Commerce department or the RJCBS would be minimal.
- **Opportunity to grow teaching resources—without affecting existing courses.** Initially, a sessional instructor would be hired to teach a course in Business of Aviation and any additional specialized courses we choose to offer. Over time, growth in enrollment through the Aviation option could enable us to hire a permanent part-time or full-time faculty member, who could perhaps contribute to other aspects of our degree program as well.

Offering an Aviation option would NOT significantly affect existing teaching loads or alter the content of individual courses.

- **World-class flight training partner.** Through the B.Sc. program, MtA has established a strong relationship with Moncton Flight College, which is one of the oldest and most well-respected flight schools in the country. MFC, which attracts students from around the world (especially China), enjoys working with (and hiring) MtA students. According to Bob Rosebrugh, the flight school is keen to expand its intake from our campus and could likely accommodate 25-30 students.
- **Simple program design.** A Bachelor of Commerce - Aviation would require students to take a core of existing Commerce credits, along with credits from math, economics, and computer science. To begin, the Commerce offerings would include just one specialized aviation course (Business of Aviation), but more specialty courses could be added over time.



Academic Integrity Committee

Report to Senate for 2018-19

Members:

Academic Dean delegated by Provost as the Academic Integrity Officer (Chair):

- Nauman Farooqi

Two faculty or librarians, elected by the Senate:

- Terrence Craig (Jan 01, 2018 – 30 June, 2020) - Due or Dr. Craig's retirement, a replacement to be appointed soon
- Leslie Kern (2018-2021)

One alternate faculty or librarian, elected by the Senate:

- Andrea Beverley (2018-2021)

Two students, elected by the Senate:

- Brandon Blakney
- Kailey Wilock

One alternate student, elected by the Senate:

- Samuel Unger

A total of twenty-nine cases were submitted to the Academic Integrity Officer during the 2018-19 academic year, pertaining to 18/SS, 18/FA, and 19/WI terms.

- 27 cases were reported under 10.6.2 (a) dealing with plagiarism
- 2 cases were reported under 10.6.2 (b) dealing with submitting work for which academic credit has been received or which was reported for academic credit for another course without the written permission of the instructor/s.
- 13 cases reported under 10.6.2 (d) dealing with copying someone else's work on assignments, or exams.
- 2 case was reported under 10.6.2 (e) dealing with use of unauthorized aid or assistance in tests or exams.
- 2 cases were reported under 10.6.2 (k) dealing with knowingly helping someone else engage in academically dishonest behavior.
- 1 case was reported under 10.6.2 (l) dealing with submitting false information or false medical documentation or misrepresenting personal circumstances to postpone or gain an advantage for any academic work.
- 2 cases were reported under 10.6.2 (In dealing with falsifying lab reports.

Sanctions imposed by instructors included:

- Reduced grade on assignment/lab
- Zero on the assignment/exam
- Zero on the paper
- Rewrite for the paper/assignment
- Failure in the course

One student was placed on disciplinary probation due to academic misconduct (due to a second report filed against the student). Two students appealed the report of academic misconduct. Both appeals were denied after hearings scheduled by the AIO with the faculty members reporting the misconduct and involved students.

The committee met once during the academic year (September 19). The committee reviewed the draft report prepared for submission to Senate as well as discussed the overall functioning of the Academic Integrity Policy.

Respectfully submitted.

Nauman Farooqi

Academic Integrity Officer
Dated: September 19, 2019

Faculty Council Report to Senate
15 October 2019

At its 1 October 2019 meeting, which achieved quorum, Faculty Council members discussed ways that faculty members could be better supported in their teaching and research, particularly when these areas cross faculties and disciplines. The discussion alighted upon the dean's role and how this position could better support faculty in light of its administrative burdens and areas where programme growth would be enhanced by the presence of a dean, for instance in commerce. The dean of Arts observed that the present decanal system is not working well in the Faculty of Arts and expressed his wish to revisit this topic and to undertake broader consultation at the departmental level.

The Ad-Hoc Committee on Faculty Council's purpose and mission shared their findings and commented on possible ways that the university's by-laws should be updated. A lively discussion ensued and resulted in general agreement that Faculty Council should update the by-laws' language so that they are gender inclusive, accurately reflect present practices and policies in place at the institution, and incorporate revisions to how the body is chaired and how often it meets. A motion was passed requesting that the committee return to the November meeting of this body to present a report as well as a draft of the revised by-laws, after which a vote of the membership by ballot will ensue, with the aim of sending member-approved revisions to the by-laws to the February meeting of the Board of Regents for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Beck,
Secretary of Faculty Council