

Report No. 3494

MEMORANDUM

To: Executive Committee of Faculty Council (February 9, 2016)

Faculty Council (February 29, 2016)

From: Professor Graeme Norval

Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Date: February 8, 2016

Re: Revised Proposed Session Dates for the Summer 2016 Session

REPORT CLASSIFICATION

This is a major policy matter that will be considered by the Executive Committee for endorsing and forwarding to Faculty Council for vote as a regular motion (requiring a simple majority of members present and voting to carry).

BACKGROUND

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee is responsible for determining the Faculty's session dates through consultation with the colleges and residences, as well as with the University holiday schedule. The curriculum model requires 12.8 weeks of term. Recently, the Faculty of Arts and Science adjusted their Summer 2016 dates, which has major implications on University add/drop dates and refund schedules.

REVISED PROPOSED APSC SESSION DATES FOR SUMMER 2016

May/June Term

Engineering Minor courses
Classes start May 2, 2016
Classes end June 17, 2016
Exam period June 20-24, 2016
Total of 34 instructional days (equivalent to a 13.6 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

First Year T-Program courses Classes start May 9, 2016 Classes end June 23, 2016 Exam period June 24-29, 2016 Total of 33 instructional days (equivalent to a 13.2 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

July/August Term

Engineering Minor courses Classes start June 27, 2016 Classes end August 15, 2016 Exam period August 16-19, 2016

Total of 34 instruction days (equivalent to 13.6 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

PROCESS AND CONSULTATION

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee is composed of representatives from each undergraduate program; the Vice-Dean, Undergraduate Studies; the Chair, First Year; the Associate Dean, Cross-Disciplinary Programs; and the Registrar's Office. The Committee meets regularly, and reviews changes to the curriculum.

PROGRAM

All programs are involved in these changes, and the impact on students in the various programs has been considered.

PROPOSAL/MOTION

That the revised APSC session dates for Summer 2016, as set out in Report 3494, be approved.