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Probation Policy Change

Please note, changes have been made to the Probation and Termination Policy within the section, Academic Notice, Probation and Suspension:

1. Academic Notice, Probation and Suspension Policy

The following policy shall apply to all students registered in an academic or professional degree, diploma or certificate program and enrolled in a minimum of three courses per semester. This policy only applies to the Fall and Winter semesters. It does not apply to the Summer sessions.

Notice

Students are placed on academic notice after earning a semester grade average below 55%. Academic notice will not be indicated on the student transcripts.

Students on academic notice will be advised of their academic status and provided with information about services for academic support.

Academic Probation

Students are placed on academic probation after earning a semester grade average below 55% in two consecutive semesters. Academic probation will be indicated on student transcripts. Students on academic probation will be required to withdraw from academic and professional classes for one semester.

Students on academic probation will be notified of their academic status and provided with information about services for academic support.

Subject to Dean approval, a student may be reinstated with conditions and allowed to register in a limited number of academic and/or professional classes for the following semester. Appeals for reinstatement must be submitted by the student to their Program Dean or designate no later than the first Friday of the semester during which academic probation is to commence. If reinstated, the Dean shall inform the Registrar's Office of the conditions of the reinstatement. Students who are reinstated are returned to good academic standing upon earning a semester grade average of 55% or higher.

Students should be aware that academic probation can affect their eligibility for some awards and bursaries.

Suspension

Students will be subject to academic suspension after earning a semester grade average below 55% in three consecutive semesters. Students will not be permitted to register in academic and/or professional courses for 12 consecutive months following the notification of suspension.

Academic suspensions may be reconsidered by both the Program Dean and Registrar upon student request. Appeals for reinstatement must be submitted by the student to their Program Dean or designate no later than the first Friday of the semester during which academic probation is to commence.

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Education Council News

Below is a brief update on items approved at Education Council in June. Please view the *Items Approved* or *Minutes* for details.

New Program

Drupal Web Developer Certificate

Students will gain the necessary skills to begin a career as a web developer utilizing the Drupal content management platform. Proposed date of implementation is September 2017.

Program Revision

Commercial Aviation Diploma

The admission requirement of holding a Canadian Private Pilots Licence will be eliminated. Proposed date of implementation is September 2017.

New Courses

- DRUP 100 - Introduction to Drupal Development
- DRUP 110 - GUI Usage
- DRUP 120 - Website Theming
- DRUP 130 - Website Development Project
- DRUP 140 - Modules and Hooks
- DRUP 150 - Developing Custom Modules
- DRUP 160 - Building E-Commerce Financial Transactions
- DRUP 180 - Drupal Community Project
- BUAD 432 - Selected Topics: tourism and Hospitality
- BUAD 438 - Selected Topics: Marketing
- BUAD 439 - Selected Topics: Management
- BUAD 468 - Selected Topics: Financial Services

- BUAD 469 - Selected Topics: Advanced Accounting
- BUAD 479 - Selected Topics: Human Resources
- AVIA 104 - Introduction to Aviation Theory
- AVIA 105 - Aviation Language Proficiency
- AVIA 106 - Pilot Skills Lab 1
- AVIA 107 - Pilot Skills Lab 2
- HIST 230 - Warfare and Terrorism Since 1945
- ECON 231 - Introduction to Behavioural Economics

Course Revisions

- AVIA 112 - Navigation and Air Regulations I
- AVIA 113 - Meteorology I
- AVIA 114 - Flight and Aircraft Systems I
- AVIA 115 - Flight Lab I
- AVIA 122 - Navigation and Air Regulations II
- AVIA 123 - Meteorology II
- AVIA 124 - Flight and Aircraft Systems II
- AVIA 125 - Flight Lab II
- AVIA 212 - Advanced Flight Operations I
- AVIA 213 - Instrument Procedures
- AVIA 214 - Advanced Avionics
- AVIA 215 - Flight Lab III
- AVIA 222 - Advanced Flight Operations II
- AVIA 225 - Flight Lab IV
- AVIA 226 - Human Factors
- AVIA 227 - Aviation Skills
- ECON 115 - Principles of Microeconomics
- ECON 125 - Principles of Macroeconomics
- SOCI 213 - Sex, Gender and Society
- SOCI 217 - Consumer Society

- SOCI 250 - Crime and Society
- SOCI 260 - Youth, Crime and Deviance
- SOCI 295 - Current Topics in Sociology

The next regular Education Council meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2017.

Details of EdCo approvals can be found at: www.okanagan.bc.ca/edco.

Please note that all new programs and all program changes require Board approval.

June 2017

- 21** Student Summer Solstice Party
- 23** Classes and final exams end for Summer Session I
- 26** Last day for submission of final grades for Summer Session I
- 27** Vernon Convocation
- 28** Summer Commencement (Kelowna)
- 29** Summer Convocation (Kelowna)

July 2017

- 1** Canada Day
- 3** Canada Day additional statutory holiday (College closed)
- 4** Classes begin for Summer Session II
- 5** Registration Begins
- 7** Last day to receive a refund for course drop, register for a Summer Session II course
- 21** Last day to submit a grade appeal for Summer Session I
- 25** Student Summer BBQ

OC/BCIT Mining Collaborative

Students in the Okanagan region who are interested in a career in mining now have an opportunity to begin their studies closer to home!

A new Collaborative Mining Engineering and Technology Diploma/Degree program offers students a local and alternative pathway into Mineral Exploration and Mining Technology or Mining and Resource Engineering programs at British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT).

Students can begin their studies toward a technology diploma or engineering degree at Okanagan College and then transfer to the full program at BCIT. For further details on this exciting partnership program, visit okanagan.bc.ca/mining.



Staff Updates



The Registrar's Office is pleased to welcome Liana Swedahl to the team as the Recruitment and Events Coordinator, South Okanagan Similkameen. Liana was born and raised in Oliver, B.C. and moved to Vancouver to attend university where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree focusing on Communications and Publishing from Simon Fraser University. For the past 6 years Liana has been working in International Education at SFU mainly within the Beedie School of Business. Always wanting to move back home, Liana and her husband Jay decided to make the leap back and currently have their hands full renovating their 1960s home in Kaleden. Liana is very much looking forward to enjoying her first Okanagan summer in more than a decade and is very excited about her new role at Okanagan College in Penticton.

Also joining the office this month as a new Client Service Assistant is Jill L'Abbe. Born and raised in St Albert, AB, Jill has called the Okanagan home for the past 22 years. As an OC alumna, she has enjoyed working with staff, students and faculty as part of the Continuing Studies and Student Services departments and is looking forward to being part of the Registration and Admissions team!

Another change to note in the office, Judy Reid will be switching gears as she joins Sheri McKinley and Cynthia DeSerranno as part of the International Admissions team.

North Okanagan Recruitment News

Salmon Arm hosted a number of recruitment events during the month of May. On May 11, Grade 12 Students at Salmon Arm Secondary School (SAS) were treated to a slice of pizza - or two - courtesy of Okanagan College to congratulate them on completing their grad transitions!

The Salmon Arm campus hosted the annual Career Medley 90 on Friday, May 12. Grade 10 students were given the opportunity to interview professionals from the community. This event has always been popular with both students and mentors that participate!

Another 35 students from SAS attended an arts lecture by Professor Rod Watkins on May 23.

In total, there were more than 100 students visiting Okanagan College, Salmon Arm campus, from the high school during the month of May!

