

7.5 YEATES SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES (YSGS) REPORT TO SENATE: December 2, 2014

7.5.1 For Senate Approval: Ted Rogers School of Management (TRSM) Graduate Program Council motion to address recommendations from the Program Review (approved by Senate in May 2014) for the Masters of Business Administration in the Management of Technology and Innovation (MBA-MTI) and the Masters of Management Science in the Management of Technology and Innovation (MMSc-MTI)

Motion: *That Senate approve removing the Thesis Option (MB8900 and MT8900) from the MBA programs in the MBA program course calendar.*

Background: YSGS Council approved this motion at its November 10, 2014 meeting. MBA students will complete one of the existing Major Research Paper courses, which are three credits, and can be completed in one term. The thesis is currently a five-credit course, and the periodic program review team felt a thesis, if it is to be commensurate with similar programs, could not be credibly completed in one term.

This recommendation was also discussed in consultation sessions with TRSM faculty involved in the programs. MT8900 will remain as a course in the Masters of Science in Management (MSM) degree program (described in Item 7.5.2.1).

7.5.2 For Information: Ted Rogers School of Management (TRSM) Graduate Program Council motions to address recommendations from the Program Review (approved by Senate in May 2014) for the MBA in Management of Technology and Innovation (MBA-MTI) and the Masters of Management Science in the Management of Technology and Innovation (MMSc-MTI)

7.5.2.1 Name change from the Masters of Management Science in the Management of Technology and Innovation (MMSc) degree to Masters of Science in Management (MSM) degree, under the existing curriculum.

Background: YSGS Council approved this motion at its November 10, 2014 meeting. After consultation with TRSM faculty involved in the programs, the Deans of TRSM and YSGS, the Associate Dean of YSGS, and the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs of TRSM agreed on a preference for the new degree designation, which is common in other business schools.

7.5.2.2 The Masters of Science in Management degree (MSM) will be administered as a distinct masters program.

Background: YSGS Council approved this motion at its November 10, 2014 meeting.

The development plan submitted as part of the self-study report for the periodic program review identified and discussed the program changes required to enable this recommendation. This recommendation was also discussed in consultation sessions with TRSM faculty involved in the programs.

7.5.2.2 The administration of the two existing Masters of Business Administration (MBA) degrees (generalist MBA and specialist MBA in the Management of Technology and Innovation) will be combined under one program entitled MBA Programs.

Background: YSGS Council approved this motion at its November 10, 2014 meeting. After consultation with TRSM faculty involved in the programs, facilitated by the Deans of TRSM and YSGS, the Associate Dean of YSGS, and the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs of TRSM in the Winter 2014 term, the proposal is not to combine the two degrees, but to bring the existing degrees into one administrative structure. The two MBAs share 4 of 7 core courses, and all electives are cross-listed between the two degrees.

Submitted by:

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