

**Agenda of the meeting Senate of the University of Prince Edward Island held on
Friday, November 21, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. at Alumni Hall in Room 102.**

#	Title	Lead/Support	Type	Time
1.	Call to Order, Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Opening Remark from Chair and Vice-Chair	W. Rodgers	Information	3:00
2.	Approval of Agenda <i>MOTION: That the agenda of Senate for October 24, 2025, be approved</i>	W. Rodgers	Decision	3:02
3.	Approval of minutes of October 24, 2025 <i>MOTION: That Senate approve the open minutes of October 24, 2025, as circulated.</i>	W. Rodgers	Decision	3:03
4.	Business Arising from the Minutes on October 24, 2025	W. Rodgers	Discussion	3:04
5.	Educational session - Roles and Responsibilities of Senate and Senators – University Act Primer	A) P. Robichaud B) P. Robichaud		3:05
6.	Senior Administration Reports a. President's Report b. Vice-President Academic and Research Report i) Update on process to develop that <i>Policy on the Sales of Course Materials</i> c. Vice-President People and Culture Report	a) W. Rodgers b) G. Naterer c) J. Ngobia	d) Information e) Information f) Information	3:35
7.	Question Period a. Questions and Answers Received from Placemats b. Questions Received in Advance c. Questions Received from the Floor	W. Rodgers	Discussion	4:00
8.	Reports from Standing Committees a. Senate Steering and Nominating Committee i) Senate Composition b. Academic Planning and Curriculum Committee c. Report of the Research Advisory Committee	a) W. Rodgers b) G. Naterer c) M. Sweeney-Nixon	a) Information b) Decision c) Information	4:20
9.	Report of the Board of Governors to Senate	M. A. McMahon	Information	4:50
10.	Shout outs	W. Rodgers	Discussion	4:55
11.	Adjournment <i>MOTION: That the Senate meeting be adjourned.</i>	W. Rodgers	Procedure	5:00

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Pascal Robichaud, Secretary of Senate

Minutes of the Academic Senate of the University of Prince Edward Island
Friday, October 24, 2025, 3:00 – 5:00pm
Alumni Hall and via Zoom

Present: A. Hsiao, A. Trowbridge, A. Weenie, A. Braithwaite, B. Linkletter, C. Campeanu, C. VanLeeuwen, D. Magbanua, E. Reid, G. Naterer, I. Bhalesha, J. T. McClure, J. Sentance, J. Ngobia, J. McIntyre, K. Mears, L. Paredes, M. v. Eccher, M. Clapson, M. Sweeney-Nixon, M. A. McMahon, M. Buote, M. Turnbull, N. Clark, N. Etkin, P. Drake, P. Bernard, P. Smith, R. Hoersting, R. Deziel, R-A Dalton, S. Cassidy, S. Myers, S. Lloyd, S. Hamilton, S. Kresta, T. Mady, T. Jackson, T. Walker, W. Rodgers, W. Montelpare, W. Whelan, Y. Rashchupkina.

Regrets: Andrea Bourque, D. Griffon, P. Foley

Secretariat: P. Robichaud, R. Anwar, G. Tsoi

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order, Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Opening Remarks from Chair and Vice-Chair

W. Rodgers called the meeting to order, welcome members at 3:03 pm and acknowledged the land.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: MOVED by W. Montelpare and SECONDED by A. Braithwaite that the agenda of Senate of October 24, 2025, be approved. CARRIED.

3. Minutes of September 26, 2025

MOTION : MOVED by J. Sentance and SECONDED by R. Deziel that the minutes of September 25, 2025, be approved. CARRIED.

Some needed corrections were noted, namely in the spelling of the name of some Senators and the name of the “Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Office.” The Secretary will make the necessary corrections and re-post the minutes.

4. Business Arising from Minutes of September 26, 2025

None

5. Senior Administration Reports
a. President’s Report

The budget planning process has started with the aim of providing from now on, despite per annum funding from the Government of PEI, a three-year budgetary projection, with communications going out to the University Community on October 24. The University is still challenged by declining international student enrollment and the resulting projected

three-million-dollar-per-year deficit. To face this challenge, the University must increase domestic enrollment, improve retention of students and look to revenue generation that is in line with our mission. There will also be need for expense constraints, while keeping the future of the University in mind. This is not a “doing more with less” situation. As our research output is strengthening overall, we need to provide the required research infrastructure going forward.

Our rank in the 2026 University Rankings has dropped. It is incumbent on us all to look to our institutional reputation.

Deloitte delivered a clear audit of the implementation of the Action Plan, which has generated cautious optimism with the University Community. There is still more to do, including the reconstruction of the University’s EDI office, which is well underway.

As the University moves forward to tackle challenges and opportunities, we must be consistent and deliberate in reviewing what we do. To do this, we must commit to the idea that this requires work and commitment from all of us.

The Board and Senate jointly partook in a Blanket Exercise to act out the harmful elements of the colonization of Canada as we commemorated through and reconciliation.

b. Vice-President Academic and Research Report

Vice President Naterer mentioned several recent research successes at the University in the form of major publications, research partnerships, new grants and research chairs. Nat

The University Community is invited to an Open House on October 25. This year’s event is of a greater scale, aimed at attracting more prospective students and their parents. Some 411 prospective students have signed up, with a substantial increase in off-Island attendees.

The decrease in enrollment of a couple of years ago is influencing our current enrollment as a smaller cohort moves through its cursus of studies at UPEI. This has resulted in a 14% decrease in enrollment year- over-year. In much the same manner as at other Canadian universities, international student enrollment is depressed due to a shift in Federal immigration policy. Although UPEI has done comparatively well with the Atlantic region, this remains a source of concern as we look to implement and new Strategic Enrolment Management plan.

With much feedback from students, the University has improved its Campus Life Program. Several assistants have been hired to support student activities including recreational events, social media presence, athletics, etc.

c. Vice-President People and Culture Report

Following presentation of the Action Plan Implementation Audit Report to Senate and the Board of Governors, the results of which are made available throughout the

University Community, the report was presented to the Government of PEI. Going forward, the activities developed to give effect to the Action Plan are woven the University's steady state. Planning for the audit for year 2 of the implementation of the Action Plan is already underway.

Efforts continue to clean up human resources data and to develop classifications for positions at the University, with over 140 classifications done since September 2024.

The University is consulting across relevant units on capacity and needs for restorative justice practices across UPEI.

6. Question Period

a. Questions and answers received from Placemats
None received

b. Questions Received in Advance
None received

c. Questions Received from the Floor

Q1: Who are we as a brand? What is the vision that we are putting out there? Are we an undergraduate institution or a graduate one? **A1:** The Strategic Plan of the University provides a vision that moves us away from the traditional model of a primarily undergraduate liberal arts university. We aim to refocus the mission on a more comprehensive model. The Strategic Plan includes a commitment to review our vision. The University has put out a new viewbook that we can all use to promote the University by putting out the tagline "Big future starts here". We can make that material available to Senators.

7. Reports from Standing Committee

a. Update on Committee Business

Vice President Naterer delivered an oral report on the work of various committees of Senate. There were no questions.

b. Senate Steering and Nominating Committee

President Rodgers directed members to the written report from SSNC and opened the floor to questions. There were none.

c. Academic Planning and Curriculum Committee

Vice President Naterer brings to Senate 38 recommendations from the *Academic Planning and Curriculum Committee*, to be resolved via an omnibus motion that reads :

MOTION: MOVED by G. Naterer and SECONDED by T. Jackson that Senate approve new course proposals, deletions and listings, changes to course titles, descriptions

and pre-requisites and Calendar entries as presented.

Senator Linkletter spoke to the motion and moved that recommendations 17 and 18 be removed from the omnibus motion and be debated as a separate motion.

MOTION: MOVED by B. Linkletter and SECONDED by W. Whelan that the main motion be split with recommendations 1 to 16 and 19 to 38 being one motion and recommendations 17 and 18 being another. CARRIED.

Debate on the motion to split the main motion centers around the impact of recommendations 17 and 18 on the delivery of courses as it would significantly constrain members of faculty. There is concern that the recommendation put undue restrictions on the delivery of courses to students. Student members spoke in favor of the recommendations, indicating that it is paramount that students know how they are performing in a course before the discontinuation date comes around. Vice President Naderer stresses that these provisions are student-oriented and aim to resolve an issue raised by many that arises where students go into their final exams having received no feedback on their academic performance in the course. The chosen time and deadlines provide opportunity for students to seek academic guidance to decide to continue or drop the course. This is a common provision in Canadian universities. Some Senators question the process through which this was developed and brought to Senate, pointing to lack of consultation with faculty. The VPAR indicates that this proposal was developed from feedback received through the Students' Union for some time and that work was done through the Registrar's Office to see what the best way would be to resolve the issue. The recommendation was endorsed unanimously by APCC, after several versions were considered by the Committee. Some Senators pointed to insufficient academic advising structure, which would be needed and should be a precursor to these provisions. Some spoke to the many exceptions in the provision, which, in their view, speaks to rules that would be difficult to implement. Others indicated that the proposed provisions should be in a different part of the Academic Regulations, under "grading". Further consideration of these provisions may need to be in the context of a revision to the discontinuation deadline.

Senator Linkletter moved that the motion dealing with recommendations 17 and 18 be tabled.

MOTION: MOVED by B. Linkletter and SECONDED by W. Whelan that the motion dealing with recommendations 17 and 18 be tabled and brought back for consideration at Senate in February. CARRIED

Debate on the motion to table centers on the need for greater consultation and the need to have a broader discussion about the discontinuation deadline. Some point to the need to consider the research literature on the link between early grading and retention, as these provisions are meant to improve retention.

d. Admissions and Degrees Committee

Vice President Naderer presents a report from the Admissions and Degrees Committee that bears a recommendation to include a mention of the major in undergraduate degree

parchments. The recommendation comes in the wake of the process to establish the Bachelor of Arts, Major in Indigenous Studies and the need for the degree parchment to be reflective of the nature of the awarded degree. As many other Canadian universities do include the major on degree parchments, it is felt that by not doing the same UPEI may be putting itself and its students at a disadvantage.

MOTION: MOVED by. G. Naterer and SECONDED by C. Campeanu, that UPEI includes the name of the major on graduation parchments. CARRIED

This motion comes into effect for the conferment of degrees in May 2025.

It is suggested that the University could look to add other mentions to the parchments. The VPAR agrees to continue discussions with the Committee with the intent to bring forward other recommendations to Senate and invites Senators to submit suggestions for the Committee's consideration.

8. Policies

a) Policy on the Sale of Course Materials

Vice President Naterer speaks to a policy meant to resolve issues of equity in course access by providing a more inclusive experience for students. He stresses that the Policy aligns with the University's values of access and fairness. Feedback received from the Senate was considered, and a broader consultation was carried out. The Policy comes to the Senate after a substantive review by a committee with broad representation. Although the Policy is under the authority of the Board of Governors, it is presented to the Senate for discussion.

Issues are raised regarding courses that are dependent on integrated materials, where the policy would be difficult to implement. Some computer-based systems require the participation of all students to work. Having some students opt out would be most problematic. The Policy could force a move to open access books and other means, which would put a lot of pressure on faculty to find alternate resources. There would need to look at support for this. It is mentioned that subject librarians may be able to help. Some mention that there is a growing issue of course materials going unsold, as students perceive their purchase as optional. The Policy could reinforce that perception.

Those who spoke in favor of the policy argued that the cost of course materials should not be a barrier to an education. The policy ensures that students are not limited in their learning options based on their ability to buy materials. There are many students who regularly skip buying textbooks because of cost. This policy helps balance the playing field between international and domestic students. When education is accessible, everyone wins.

The issue related to conflict of interest in the direct sale of self-produced course materials to students by members of faculty is not at issue or with the assignment of textbooks. The question of cost as a barrier to assessment is the key issue.

The VPAR will take the Policy back for further consideration and will bring it back to the Senate for discussion in November.

b) Policy on Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Vice President Naterer introduces the topic and speaks to the work of the Committee to develop the proposed policy and thanks all those involved in the process.

Dean Turnbull, Chair of the Committee, presents its recommendation and points out that the proposed policy is a complete rewrite that will replace the current policy.

MOTION: MOVED by M. Turnbull and SECONDED by N. Etkin, that the Policy on Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities be repealed and replaced and replaced. CARRIED

A concern is raised regarding the documentation required under the Policy considering the current state of the healthcare system in PEI which may be making the requirement of a diagnostic from a registered psychologist problematic. There is a suggestion that implementation of the Policy might be more effective if documentation could come from other health professionals. The Senate is informed that temporary accommodation can be granted internally while students seek further documentation. The University does not have the ability to assess the needs of students or the expertise to prescribe an accommodation. Most students who seek accommodation from the University come with documentation in hand. This may not be evident on reading the Policy and care should be given to inform members of the University Community. Turnbull reminds Senate that once the Policy is approved, procedures will be published and communicated widely within the Community. A set of guidelines for all members of the University Community, including faculty and students, are being prepared and should help inform everyone.

The question of the University's capacity to handle requests for accommodation is raised, with some Senators concerned that the University's capacity may be maxed out. Senate is informed that additional resources have been hired over the last few years. Although the growing number of cases is generating budgetary pressure, there is hope that the processes can be streamlined and made more efficient.

It is noted that the review period for the Policy is five years, which may be too long considering the rapidly evolving landscape. Senators are reminded that the review period is the latest that the Policy must be refreshed, but that it can come sooner if needed.

9. Senate Training Survey Results and Plan

One of the University's Commitment following the Governance Review is the development of a training plan for the Senate. P. Trainor describes for Senate the survey conducted to understand Senate's training needs and aspirations, with the results of the Survey shared with Senate as part of the meeting materials. From the results of the survey and with the collaboration of the University Secretary, a training plan was developed and presented to the Senate for approval.

MOTION: MOVED by M. Turnbull and SECONDED by T. Jackson that the Training Plan of Senate be approved. CARRIED

10. Transfer of Role of the Secretary of Senate

The Registrar speaks to a proposal reviewed by SSNC to transfer the role of Secretary of Senate from the Registrar to the University Secretary. With the creation of the new role of University Secretary at UPEI, the intent was that the incumbent would take over the governance support to Senate and SSNC.

MOTION: MOVED by A. Trowbridge and SECONDED by W. Montelpare that the Processes and Procedures of Senate be amended to transfer the responsibilities of the Secretary of Senate to the University Secretary. CARRIED.

11. Report of the Board of Governors to Senate

W. Montelpare speaks on activities of the Board of Governors since the last meeting of the Senate and directs members to a written report included in the meeting materials.

12. Shout Outs

- To Patti Wheatley, Charlene VanLeeuwen and Christina for putting together an EDI session for graduate supervisors (3 sessions) and students (one session).
- To the Department of Chemistry's Technicians who are on the ball to get all the teachings labs ready.
- To Senator Clark for successfully defending her PhD thesis on October 2.
- To Information Technology Support Services and Facilities Management for getting the Faculty of Medicine ready ahead of schedule and on budget.
- To Tim Walker and Facilities Management for streamlining the approval process for the use of rooms.

13. Adjournment

All business being concluded, the Chair adjourns the meeting at 4:58pm.

Pascal Robichaud,
University Secretary

Purpose: INFORMATION

Subject: **Confirming the role of the Associate Vice President, Students at Senate**

Prepared by: Greg Naterer, Vice President, Academic and Research, Pascal Robichaud, University Secretary

Prepared for: **Senate**

Date: November 5, 2025

ACTION

Confirmation of the inclusion of the Associate Vice President, Students in the composition of Senate.

BACKGROUND

Paragraph 22. (1) (c) of the University Act states that the *Director of Extension and Summer Sessions* (DESS) is an ex-officio member of Senate; a provision that is mirrored in the *Processes and Procedures of Senate* under subsection 3.1 e).

The role of DESS has been subsumed under the role of the Associate Vice President, Students (AVPS) for some time. As that role was previously combined with that of the University Registrar, the seat allocated to the DESS under the Act has remained vacant. With the roles of AVPS and University Registrar being now separate, the seat should be filled once more in compliance with the Act.

RECOMMENDATION

That notice be given to Senate on November 21 that the AVPS is now a Senator.

Senate Placemat questions from October 24, 2025

Note 1: With the revision of the policy on Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities, I hope that we will also see a plan for its full implementation, particularly on point 1.5 and the removal of physical barriers on our currently non-accessible campus.

Would be great to see names and roles and pronouns on name cards to help new senators.

Note 2: What are we doing to better align our programs for other professional degrees in the Maritimes?

What is UPEI known for? The Vet studies? Targeting sustainability? Implementing active learning techniques? Smaller classes with more one-on-one learning? How do we stand out verses from other Maritimes universities when we have limited research and funding supports?

Should a question be added to SOTS regarding timely feedback?

Note 3: What is the percentage loss of retention from years 1 to 2, 2 to 3 and 3 to 4?

On the reworking of motion #17, please provide quantitative evidence of the benefits of the change and evidence for the proportion grade to be reported.

I am also against a 100% final grade based on a single assessment. Especially in the undergraduate program.

Note 4: Criteria for Dean's List.

Is the 3.7 GPA requirement disadvantaging students who have a broad range of grades, e.g. students who have 80+ % course average but a GPA less than 3.7 (a result of the non-linear GPA scale). (Could analysis be done to see the impact on students).

In addition, the 30 semester hour requirement disadvantages UPEI co-op students as their work terms are P/F.



Committee Report to Senate

Committee Name: Senate Steering and Nominating Committee

Committee Meeting Date: 10/16/2025

Attendance: Wendy Rodgers, Kim Mears, Erin Ried, Andrea Trowbridge, Pam Trainor, Pascal Robichaud

Regrets: None

Senate Meeting Date: 10/24/2025

Items Discussed

- As the Policy on Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (PAASD) is being repealed and replaced with a new policy recommended by APPC, questions arose as to whether students would have access to the documentation required to be accommodated. The requirement of a certificate from a registered psychiatrist may be overly restrictive and cause some students to miss needed accommodations. The question is put to the proponent of the Policy with a request that they come prepared to discuss this issue.
- The Committee agreed to the recommendation that Majors be from now on, with the approval of Senate, reflected on undergraduate degree parchments.
- The Committee agreed with a recommendation from the Registrar and the University Secretary that the responsibilities of the Secretary of Senate be vested in the University Secretary and to the modifications to the Processes and Procedures of Senate to make it so.
- The Committee indicated a need for better coordination of activities to fill Senate committee complement. The established practice is to put out a call for nominations and, failing any candidacies, to proceed to a second call. If both calls are unsuccessful, the Committee reaches out to eligible members of the University Community to solicit their interest. There is also interest in improving the SharePoint site to be more interactive.
- It was noted that committees of Senate do not seem to be using the new SharePoint site. Members asked that the Secretary reach out to individuals

Report due to senate@upei.ca at least two weeks prior to Senate meeting

in support of Senate committees to ask that they store materials in the SharePoint site.

- Senate's training needs were discussed, with a focus on those elements to which the University has committed in response to the Governance Review. A plan had been drafted from a Senate Knowledge Scheme developed by the University Secretary. Pam Trainor prepared and presented the plan. Members asked that the possibility of recording training sessions and uploading them to the SharePoint site in a way that would respect Senators' privacy.
- The Committee indicated that it would be timely for the VPAR to report on the activities of some Senate special or Ad Hoc Committees.

Decisions Made

- The October 24, 2025, agenda of Senate was approved
- The Committee approved and recommended to Senate for approval a first Senate Training Plan.
- The Committee approved and recommended to Senate for approval the transfer of the responsibilities of the Secretary of Senate to the University Secretary.

Recommendations to Senate

- That Senate's Training Plan be approved
- That the responsibilities of Secretary of Senate be transferred to the University Secretary and that the Processes and Procedures of Senate be amended accordingly.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES**Motion #'s 1-5**

Summary of Motions
Degree Requirement Change

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2.	Course Deletion	UPEI 1010
3.	Cross-Listing Change	ENG 1010
4.	Calendar Entry Change	UPEI 1020
5.	Calendar Entry Change	UPEI 1030

CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 1

Revision is for a: **Academic Regulation Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Registrar's Office**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **Academic Regulation**

MOTION: To update Academic regulation #1 to reflect changes to degree requirement; removal of the requirement of one of UPEI-1010/20/30

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
1. Requirements for a Degree a) In programs where a GPA is calculated, a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 1.7 is required to graduate. b) In order to graduate with a major a student must receive a CGPA of at least 1.7 in the major subject requirements. c) For the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees — 120 semester hours of credit with a major subject in which at least 42 semester hours of credit are taken. Some programs may require more than 120 semester hours of credit. d) Minimum Number of 2000-4000 Level Courses – A minimum of 72 credits must be taken at the 2000-4000 level in any degree or diploma program. Exceptions may apply. e) Students in the Faculty of Arts may declare to the Registrar's Office their major area of study at any time up to the end of their second year (after completing 48-60 semester-hours of course work). Students in the Faculty of Science, students are required to declare a major by the beginning of their second year (after completing 21 to 45 semester hours of course work). Students can change their major at any time but are encouraged to speak to an academic advisor in the appropriate department before doing so. f) A candidate for a degree must complete at least one-half of the required course work at UPEI; normally, these will be the final 60 semester-hours of the degree. Exceptions may be made only with the permission of the Dean of the respective Faculty. g) In the last 60 semester-hours of work toward a UPEI degree, students will receive credit for no more than 12 semester-hours of study completed at another university; exceptions may be made only with the permission of the Dean of the respective Faculty or School. h) All students working toward an undergraduate degree will be required to take the following courses,	1. Requirements for a Degree a) In programs where a GPA is calculated, a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 1.7 is required to graduate. b) In order to graduate with a major a student must receive a CGPA of at least 1.7 in the major subject requirements. c) For the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees — 120 semester hours of credit with a major subject in which at least 42 semester hours of credit are taken. Some programs may require more than 120 semester hours of credit. d) Minimum Number of 2000-4000 Level Courses – A minimum of 72 credits must be taken at the 2000-4000 level in any degree or diploma program. Exceptions may apply. e) Students in the Faculty of Arts may declare to the Registrar's Office their major area of study at any time up to the end of their second year (after completing 48-60 semester-hours of course work). Students in the Faculty of Science, students are required to declare a major by the beginning of their second year (after completing 21 to 45 semester hours of course work). Students can change their major at any time but are encouraged to speak to an academic advisor in the appropriate department before doing so. f) A candidate for a degree must complete at least one-half of the required course work at UPEI; normally, these will be the final 60 semester-hours of the degree. Exceptions may be made only with the permission of the Dean of the respective Faculty. g) In the last 60 semester-hours of work toward a UPEI degree, students will receive credit for no more than 12 semester-hours of study completed at another university; exceptions may be made only with the permission of the Dean of the respective Faculty or School. h) All students working toward an undergraduate degree will be required to take the following courses, recommended to

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Motion # 1

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recommended to be taken within the first three semesters of registration, to fulfill graduation requirements: • IKE 1040 – Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island, • One of: ○ UPEI 1010 – Writing Studies: Engaging Writing, Rhetoric, and Communication; ○ UPEI 1020 – Inquiry Studies: Engaging Ideas and Cultural Contexts; or ○ UPEI 1030 – University Studies: Engaging University Contexts and Experience; • AND One Writing Intensive Course NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one of UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030. In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. i) Special regulations apply to Honours degrees (not available in all program areas). See the relevant academic department section of the online calendar for details. j) Second Undergraduate Degree Regulations – Students who have earned a first Bachelor-level degree may pursue a second Bachelor-level degree as long as no more than 18 semester-hours of study in the subject area of interest have been completed in the first degree, and as long as at least 60 semester hours of credit will be completed toward the second degree at UPEI. Exceptions will be made only with the permission of the respective Dean. k) Double-counting is the practice of having one course satisfy the requirements of two different and concurrent designations within one degree. The following limitations apply: In the case of a major and a minor, a maximum of six semester hours of credit can be double-counted. In the case of a double major, a maximum of nine semester hours of credit can be double-counted. Note: Although a course may be used to meet more than one requirement within a degree, credit is only counted once.	be taken within the first three semesters of registration, to fulfill graduation requirements: • IKE 1040 – Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island, • One of: ○ UPEI 1010 – Writing Studies: Engaging Writing, Rhetoric, and Communication; ○ UPEI 1020 – Inquiry Studies: Engaging Ideas and Cultural Contexts; or ○ UPEI 1030 – University Studies: Engaging University Contexts and Experience; • AND One Writing Intensive Course NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one of UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030. In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. i) Special regulations apply to Honours degrees (not available in all program areas). See the relevant academic department section of the online calendar for details. j) Second Undergraduate Degree Regulations – Students who have earned a first Bachelor-level degree may pursue a second Bachelor-level degree as long as no more than 18 semester-hours of study in the subject area of interest have been completed in the first degree, and as long as at least 60 semester hours of credit will be completed toward the second degree at UPEI. Exceptions will be made only with the permission of the respective Dean. k) Double-counting is the practice of having one course satisfy the requirements of two different and concurrent designations within one degree. The following limitations apply: In the case of a major and a minor, a maximum of six semester hours of credit can be double-counted. In the case of a double major, a maximum of nine semester hours of credit can be double-counted. Note: Although a course may be used to meet more than one requirement within a degree, credit is only counted once.

Rationale for Change: On the direction of recommendations developed by the task force mandated to review the undergraduate degree requirement of UPEI-1010/1020/1030. (Please see Briefing Note in the Appendix for additional context).

Effective Term: FALL 2026

CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 1

Implications for Other Programs: Impacts all undergraduate degree programs. For those programs with a defined (prescribed) requirement from this group of courses, no change will be made at this time, as that would be a curriculum change that needs to be directed at the program level. For programs that reflect the requirement of one of the three, edits will be made to remove that reference and only reflect an additional elective in cases where there is a course sequence that notes the specific course requirement.

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: It is recommended that this change be applied to all previous catalogue years at the time of implementation (Fall 2026).

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: n/a	n/a
Faculty/School Approval: n/a	n/a
Faculty Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 2

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts/English**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **English, which administers UPEI-1010/ENG-1010 on behalf of the University/Academic Regulation 1h-note.**

MOTION: Delete UPEI 1010.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
UPEI 1010 WRITING STUDIES – ENGAGING WRITING, RHETORIC, AND COMMUNICATION (See English 1010) NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean.	UPEI 1010 WRITING STUDIES – ENGAGING WRITING, RHETORIC, AND COMMUNICATION (See English 1010) NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG 1010, UPEI 1020 or UPEI 1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean.

Rationale for Change: The graduation requirement and regulation restricting students to taking only one University course is being deleted. The edit reflects that change.

Effective Term: FALL 2026

Implications for Other Programs: There should be no implication for other programs, for the change does not affect individual requirements related to the University courses.

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: Wendy Shilton, Coordinator of Writing Studies and John McIntyre, Chair of English	October 08 2025
Faculty/School Approval: : Arts Curriculum Cte./Arts CDCs	October 08 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Sharon Myers	October 08 2025

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Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 3

Revision is for a: **Cross-listing Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **English**

MOTION:To update the cross-listing in ENG-1010 to reflect the deletion of UPEI-1010

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
1010 ACADEMIC WRITING (Offered every semester) This course offers an introduction to university writing and rhetoric, aimed at the development of clear, critical thinking and an effective prose style. Cross-listed with UPEI 1010. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion (a passing grade) of the English Academic Program (EAP) program for those students enrolled in the EAP program. Three hours a week	1010 ACADEMIC WRITING (Offered every semester) This course offers an introduction to university writing and rhetoric, aimed at the development of clear, critical thinking and an effective prose style. Cross-listed with UPEI 1010. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion (a passing grade) of the English Academic Program (EAP) program for those students enrolled in the EAP program. Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: To reflect the deletion of UPEI-1010 because of the removal of the degree regulation requiring one of UPEI-1010/1020/1030. This change was initiated at APCC with the support of the Dean of Arts.

Effective Term: FALL 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval:	
Faculty/School Approval:	
Faculty Dean's Approval:	
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval:	
Received by Registrar's Office Darcy McCardle	November 4, 2025

CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 4

Revision is for a: **Calendar Entry Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **Arts, which administers UPEI-1020 on behalf of the University/Academic Regulation 1h-note.**

MOTION: That the calendar content for UPEI 1020 be approved as proposed.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
UPEI 1020 INQUIRY STUDIES – ENGAGING IDEAS AND CULTURAL CONTEXTS This course is for students who want to explore a broad array of issues and 'big' questions that are related to human culture and the natural world from a local to a global perspective. This course emphasizes and cultivates critical inquiry, writing and reading skills through an analysis of texts/topics of contemporary significance. NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. Three hours a week	UPEI 1020 INQUIRY STUDIES – ENGAGING IDEAS AND CULTURAL CONTEXTS This course is for students who want to explore a broad array of issues and 'big' questions that are related to human culture and the natural world from a local to a global perspective. This course emphasizes and cultivates critical inquiry, writing and reading skills through an analysis of texts/topics of contemporary significance. NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. <u>NOTE: Registration is restricted to students with first- or second-year standing, or by permission of the Dean.</u> Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: The graduation requirement and regulation restricting students to taking only one University course is being deleted. The edit reflects that change.

Effective Term: FALL 2026

Implications for Other Programs: There should be no implication for other programs, for the change does not affect individual requirements related to the University courses.

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: Ryan Drew, Coordinator	October 08 2025
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 4

Faculty/School Approval: Arts Curriculum Cte. /Arts CDCs	October 08 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Sharon Myers	October 08 2025
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 5

Revision is for a: **Calendar Entry Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **Arts, Arts, which administers UPEI-1030 on behalf of the University/Regulation 1h-note.**

MOTION: That the calendar content for UPEI 1030 be approved as proposed.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
UPEI 1030 UNIVERSITY STUDIES – ENGAGING UNIVERSITY CONTEXTS AND EXPERIENCE This is a course for students who seek a well-supported, strongly integrated adjustment to life and learning within the university environment. This course is designed to create a cohesive learning community for students, connecting them to each other and to their instructors in the classroom and beyond. The curriculum focuses on helping students to develop the attitudes, study strategies, and broad communication and research skills they will need to thrive throughout their post-secondary experience. NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. Three hours a week	UPEI 1030 UNIVERSITY STUDIES – ENGAGING UNIVERSITY CONTEXTS AND EXPERIENCE This is a course for students who seek a well-supported, strongly integrated adjustment to life and learning within the university environment. This course is designed to create a cohesive learning community for students, connecting them to each other and to their instructors in the classroom and beyond. The curriculum focuses on helping students to develop the attitudes, study strategies, and broad communication and research skills they will need to thrive throughout their post-secondary experience. NOTE: Credit will only be granted for one (1) of the UPEI First Year Experience courses (UPEI/ENG-1010, UPEI-1020 or UPEI-1030). In exceptional circumstances, permission to receive credit for more than one of these courses may be permitted by the Dean. <u>NOTE: Registration is restricted to students with first- or second-year standing, or by permission of the Dean.</u> Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: The graduation requirement and regulation restricting students to taking only one University course is being deleted. The edit reflects that change.

Effective Term: FALL 2026

Implications for Other Programs: There should be no implication for other programs, for the change does not affect individual requirements related to the University courses.

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 5

Authorization	Date:
Departmental Approval: Brenton Dickieson, Coordinator	October 08 2025.
Faculty/School Approval: Arts Curriculum Cte./Arts CDCs	October 08 2025..
Faculty Dean's Approval: Sharon Myers	October 08 2025..
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SUMMARY OF CHANGES FACULTY OF ARTS

Motion #'s 6-15

Summary of Motions

Faculty of Arts

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14.	Course Deletion	HIST 4420
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 6

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 3530 be removed from the course calendar.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3530 CANADA AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR This course will examine the underlying causes of the First World War, the experiences of those who fought overseas, and the impact of war on the work and lives of those on the home front. Although the course will consider the international context of war, particular attention will be paid to the Canadian experience of the First World War, including the conscription controversy, post-war commemoration, and the legacy of the First World War for Canadian identity, politics, and culture in the twentieth century. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week	3530 CANADA AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR This course will examine the underlying causes of the First World War, the experiences of those who fought overseas, and the impact of war on the work and lives of those on the home front. Although the course will consider the international context of war, particular attention will be paid to the Canadian experience of the First World War, including the conscription controversy, post-war commemoration, and the legacy of the First World War for Canadian identity, politics, and culture in the twentieth century. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course has not been offered in the last 5 years, and there is no student demand for it. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Faculty/School Approval: Arts Curriculum Committee	October 10, 2025
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Motion # 7

Revision is for a: **Cross-listing Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: Delete HIST 3780 as it will no longer be cross listed with ENG 3780

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3780 THE MEDIEVAL BOOK (See <u>English 3780</u>)	3780 THE MEDIEVAL BOOK (See <u>English 3780</u>)

Rationale for Change: This course was offered through the English department. This course has not been offered in the last 5 years.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Motion # 8

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 3910 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3910 THE UNITED STATES FROM 1900 THROUGH WORLD WAR II This course examines developments in American society and politics from the turn of the century through World War II. The course covers such topics as Populism, Progressivism, World War I, the “roaring 20s” and the “dirty 30s,” as well as World War II. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture: Three hours a week	3910 THE UNITED STATES FROM 1900 THROUGH WORLD WAR II This course examines developments in American society and politics from the turn of the century through World War II. The course covers such topics as Populism, Progressivism, World War I, the “roaring 20s” and the “dirty 30s,” as well as World War II. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course has not been offered in the last 5 years, and there is no student demand for it. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept’s offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

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Motion # 9

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 3920 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3920 THE UNITED STATES SINCE WORLD WAR II This course examines developments in American society and politics since World War II. The course covers such topics as the Cold War, anti-Communist crusades, the evolution of the American welfare state, the civil rights movement, the war in Vietnam, and competing visions of America's economic and political destiny. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture: Three hours a week	3920 THE UNITED STATES SINCE WORLD WAR II This course examines developments in American society and politics since World War II. The course covers such topics as the Cold War, anti-Communist crusades, the evolution of the American welfare state, the civil rights movement, the war in Vietnam, and competing visions of America's economic and political destiny. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course was last offered in 2022W. There is no student demand to continue this course. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Motion # 10

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 3930 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3930 THE AMERICAN MIND AND IMAGINATION: FROM THE PURITANS TO THE PROGRESSIVES This course examines the history of American thought from the Puritans to the Pragmatists. With an emphasis on religion, politics, and economics, it seeks to identify the principal forces, ideas, and traditions affecting the development of a distinctive American intellectual culture and heritage. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week	3930 THE AMERICAN MIND AND IMAGINATION: FROM THE PURITANS TO THE PROGRESSIVES This course examines the history of American thought from the Puritans to the Pragmatists. With an emphasis on religion, politics, and economics, it seeks to identify the principal forces, ideas, and traditions affecting the development of a distinctive American intellectual culture and heritage. PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course has not been offered in the last 5 years, and there is no student demand for it. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

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Motion # 11

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 3940 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3940 20th-CENTURY AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL HISTORY This course examines the history of American thought in the 20th century. It emphasizes religion, politics, and economics and includes an examination of major intellectuals from William James to Richard Rorty. It seeks to illuminate the principal forces, ideas, and traditions affecting the development of a distinctive American intellectual culture and heritage in what has been coined "America's Century." PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week	3940 20th-CENTURY AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL HISTORY This course examines the history of American thought in the 20th century. It emphasizes religion, politics, and economics and includes an examination of major intellectuals from William James to Richard Rorty. It seeks to illuminate the principal forces, ideas, and traditions affecting the development of a distinctive American intellectual culture and heritage in what has been coined "America's Century." PREREQUISITES: Second Year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Lecture/Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course has not been offered in the last 5 years, and there is no student demand for it. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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Motion # 12

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 4260 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
4260 A HISTORY OF THE CANADIAN WORKING CLASSES From fur trader, to factory hand, to fast-food worker, this seminar course explores the historical experiences of working men, women and children in Canada. Topics of study may include early forms of labour, such as slavery; the industrial revolution and its effects on working class families; the growth of scientific management in the workplace; and the dislocations posed by the Great Depression and the growth of industrial legality. Working class culture, organization and resistance are considered, as are certain ideas about workers, such as the respectable worker and the “breadwinner.” PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week	4260 A HISTORY OF THE CANADIAN WORKING CLASSES From fur trader, to factory hand, to fast food worker, this seminar course explores the historical experiences of working men, women and children in Canada. Topics of study may include early forms of labour, such as slavery; the industrial revolution and its effects on working class families; the growth of scientific management in the workplace; and the dislocations posed by the Great Depression and the growth of industrial legality. Working class culture, organization and resistance are considered, as are certain ideas about workers, such as the respectable worker and the “breadwinner.” PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course has not been offered in the last 5 years, and there is no student demand for it. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept’s offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Date:</u>
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Grad. Studies Dean’s Approval: n/a	n/a
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 13

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 4410 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
4410 UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD THROUGH WORLD WAR I This course examines the evolution of American foreign policy from the American Revolution through World War I. Topics include neutrality, the changing role of the United States in foreign relations, the interaction between domestic and foreign policy, American expansionism, and political, economic, and cultural relationships between the United States and other countries and peoples. PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week	4410 UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD THROUGH WORLD WAR I This course examines the evolution of American foreign policy from the American Revolution through World War I. Topics include neutrality, the changing role of the United States in foreign relations, the interaction between domestic and foreign policy, American expansionism, and political, economic, and cultural relationships between the United States and other countries and peoples. PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course was last offered in 2022F. There is no student demand to continue this course. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Motion # 14

Revision is for a: **Course Deletion**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That HIST 4420 be deleted.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
4420 UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY SINCE WORLD WAR I This course examines the evolution of American foreign policy from World War I through the end of the Cold War. Topics include the interwar years, the origins of World War II, post-war American hegemony, the Cold War, the New World Order, and political, economic, and cultural interaction between the United States and other countries and peoples. PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week	4420 UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY SINCE WORLD WAR I This course examines the evolution of American foreign policy from World War I through the end of the Cold War. Topics include the interwar years, the origins of World War II, post-war American hegemony, the Cold War, the New World Order, and political, economic, and cultural interaction between the United States and other countries and peoples. PREREQUISITES: Third year standing or above, or permission of the instructor Seminar: Three hours a week

Rationale for Change: This course was last offered in 2023W. There is no student demand to continue this course. It is not a prerequisite for any other of the dept's offerings.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: None

Authorization

Date:

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Faculty Dean's Approval: Sharon Myers Arts Curriculum Committee	October 10, 2025
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Motion # 15

Revision is for a: **Calendar Entry Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Arts**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **History**

MOTION: That the History Dept’s list of courses be updated as set out below.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
AREA COURSES The Department offers the following “streams”—Canadian, USA, British, European, Global, and Others: Canadian 1010 Canadian History—Pre-Confederation 1020 Canadian History—Post-Confederation 2310 The Atlantic Region 2320 The Atlantic Region 3250 Canadian Social History to World War I 3260 Canadian Social History since World War I 3310 History of Prince Edward Island— Pre-Confederation 3320 History of Prince Edward Island— Post-Confederation 3520 The History of Quebec and French Canada 3530 Canada and The First World War 3850 Women in 19th-Century Canada 3860 Women, the Law, and Civil Rights in 20th-Century Canada 4150 Canada Apologizes: Studies in Historical Apologies 4240 History of Canadian Nationalism and the Canadian Identity 4250 Childhood in Modern Canada 4260 A History of the Canadian Working Classes 4890 Postwar Prince Edward Island USA 2410 United States History—From the Colonial Period to Reconstruction 2420 United States History since Reconstruction 3330 Health Care and North American Society in Historical Perspective 3910 The United States from 1900 through World War II	AREA COURSES The Department offers the following “streams”—Canadian, <u>USA</u><u>American</u>, British, European, Global, and Others: Canadian 1010 Canadian History—Pre-Confederation 1020 Canadian History—Post-Confederation 2310 The Atlantic Region 2320 The Atlantic Region 3250 Canadian Social History to World War I 3260 Canadian Social History since World War I 3310 History of Prince Edward Island—<u>P</u>re-Confederation 3320 History of Prince Edward Island—<u>P</u>ost-Confederation 3520 The History of Quebec and French Canada 3530 Canada and The First World War 3850 Women in 19th-Century Canada 3860 Women, the Law, and Civil Rights in 20th-Century Canada 4150 Canada Apologizes: Studies in Historical Apologies 4240 History of Canadian Nationalism and the Canadian Identity 4250 Childhood in Modern Canada 4260 A History of the Canadian Working Classes 4890 Postwar Prince Edward Island <u>USA</u><u>American</u> 2410 United States History—From the Colonial Period to Reconstruction 2420 United States History since Reconstruction 3330 Health Care and North American Society in Historical Perspective 3910 The United States from 1900 through World War II

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	4910 Directed Studies 4920 Directed Studies 4970 Honours Tutorial in Historiography 4980 Honours Graduating Essay

Rationale for Change: This proposed update reflects the course changes submitted as part of this package and previously approved courses being added to the theme areas.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: None

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: Clarifies offerings for students

<i>Authorization</i>	<i>Date:</i>
Departmental Approval: Richard Raiswell	September 26, 2025
Faculty/School Approval: Arts Curriculum Committee	October 10, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Sharon Myers	October 10, 2025
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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18.	Course Description Change	IKE 3062
19.	Course Description Change	IKE 3065
20.	Course Description Change	IKE 3221
21.	Course Description Change	IKE 3410
22.	New Calendar Entry	To accept the Calendar Entry for IKERAS Bachelor of Arts with Major in Indigenous Studies as presented.

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Revision is for a: **Course Description Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To have the course description change approved for IKE 2046, Indigenous Literature.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
2046 INDIGENOUS LITERATURE This course will serve as an introductory survey to Indigenous literature on Turtle Island (what is now Canada, the US and Mexico). The work we study will span the period often called the Native Literary Renaissance, and the years immediately preceding this, from 1954 onwards. This was a time when work written by Indigenous writers reaches a main-stream non-Indigenous, non-academic audience. PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit	2046 INDIGENOUS LITERATURE This course will serve as an introductory survey to <u>Indigenous literature on Turtle Island (what is now Canada, the US and Mexico). is a survey of</u> <u>Indigenous literatures, written by Indigenous people. This course begins with a brief examination of the period commonly referred to as Native Literary Renaissance, followed by an exploration of modern literature from a variety of 21st century Indigenous authors. The</u> work we study will span the period often called the Native Literary Renaissance, and the years immediately preceding this, from 1954 onwards. This was a time when work written by Indigenous writers reaches a main-stream non-Indigenous, non-academic audience. The <u>course is designed to introduce storytelling rooted in Indigenous perspectives and traditions of a diverse array of First Nations, Métis and Inuit authorships. Students will analyze recent works which have reached a mainstream literary audience for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous readers, academic and non-academic readers alike, and why this is significant to Canadian society.</u> PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: This update reflects Indigenous literary focus significant to Canadian society. In addition, the course description requires change to broaden the scope of the survey (by removing a specific year/date); and to highlight contemporary works by First Nation, Métis and Inuit authors; as well as adding cultural traditions of storytelling as pedagogy.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: none

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Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none**Authorization****Date:**

Departmental Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty/School Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Dr. Angelina Weenie	August 14, 2025
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval:	n/a
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Motion # 17

Revision is for a: **Pre-requisite Addition/Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

Motion: To accept the course pre-requisite change as indicated for IKE 3056, Indigenous Peoples and Justice

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3056 INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND JUSTICE Students will be introduced to how colonialism perpetuates inequality of Indigenous peoples and results in their over-representation in the criminal justice system, now referred to as ‘the new residential schools in contemporary Canadian society’ and other unjust systems in Canada. Students will understand the systemic issues that prevent the fair and equitable treatment of Indigenous peoples despite measures that are intended to curb the rise of their incarceration. An examination of social justice and criminological theories will be of benefit to students interested in understanding inequities in larger systems beyond criminal justice, and potential pathways to end this disturbing reality. PREREQUISITES: IKE 2000, and IKE 2055 OR IKE 2800 Three semester hours of credit	3056 INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND JUSTICE Students will be introduced to how colonialism perpetuates inequality of Indigenous peoples and results in their over-representation in the criminal justice system, now referred to as ‘the new residential schools in contemporary Canadian society’ and other unjust systems in Canada. Students will understand the systemic issues that prevent the fair and equitable treatment of Indigenous peoples despite measures that are intended to curb the rise of their incarceration. An examination of social justice and criminological theories will be of benefit to students interested in understanding inequities in larger systems beyond criminal justice, and potential pathways to end this disturbing reality. PREREQUISITES: IKE 2000, and IKE 2055 OR IKE 2800 <u>IKE 1040 and one 2000-level IKE course</u> Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: The original course-specific pre-requisites will be replaced by UPEI’s compulsory IKE 1040 and one 2000-level IKE course completed prior to taking the course. This pre-requisite change will mean the course will be less restrictive and allow students greater access to this important course respecting Indigenous peoples and justice.

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Implications for Other Programs: none

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

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<i>Authorization</i>	<i>Date:</i>
Departmental Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty/School Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Dr. Angelina Weenie	August 14, 2025
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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Motion # 18

Revision is for a: **Course Description Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To approve the motion to change the course description for IKE 3062, Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3062 INTRODUCTION TO INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AND WORLDVIEWS This course introduces Indigenous ways of knowing through active participation. This course introduces students to an understanding of traditional ceremonies, worldview, creation stories and other narrative forms of knowing. By taking part in basic ceremonies and related practices, students will obtain knowledge of how Mi'kmaq people connect to each other, the land, other creatures and the world. This course will also explore certain ceremonies and teachings often referred to as "women's teachings" by reviewing literature and conducting research on teachings, ceremonies, and issues related to Indigenous women. PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit	3062 INTRODUCTION TO INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AND WORLDVIEWS This course introduces Indigenous ways of knowing through active participation. This course introduces sStudents <u>will be introduced</u> to an understanding of traditional ceremonies, worldview, creation stories and other narrative forms of knowing. By taking part in basic ceremonies and related practices, students will obtain knowledge of how <u>some Indigenous</u> Mi'kmaq people connect to each other, the land, other their creatures <u>relations</u> and the world. This course will also explore certain ceremonies and teachings often referred to as "women's teachings" by reviewing literature and conducting research on teachings, ceremonies, and issues related to some Indigenous women. PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: By revising this course description, IKERAS can respect and engage in inclusive gender and broader Indigenous knowledges and worldviews in shaping relations and relationality.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: none

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty/School Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Dr. Angelina Weenie	August 14, 2025

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Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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Motion # 19

Revision is for a: **Course Description Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To approve the course, **IKE 3065 Indigenous Health, Healing and Wellness** be reinstated with an updated course description.

Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry	Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly
3065 Indigenous Health, Healing, and Wellness Students will be introduced to the determinants of Indigenous peoples' health in Canada. Using both the anthropological and sociological lens, students will develop an understanding of approaches to health and healing that resonate with Indigenous peoples through readings and a collective exploration. Students will understand that health is one of the most significant issues that defines the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada. PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit	3065 Indigenous Health, Healing, and Wellness Students will be introduced to the determinants of Indigenous peoples' health in Canada. Using both the anthropological and sociological lens, students will develop an understanding of approaches to health and healing that resonate with Indigenous peoples through readings and a collective exploration. Students will understand that health is one of the most significant issues that defines the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada. <u>Students will be introduced to the determinants of Indigenous peoples' health in Canada. Using both the anthropological and sociological lens, students will develop an understanding of approaches to health and healing that resonate with Indigenous peoples through readings and a collective exploration. Students will understand that health is one of the most significant issues that defines the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada. Grounded in a post-colonial theory that examines historical and contemporary social, economic, legal, and political impacts of colonialism, students will be introduced to the determinants of Indigenous peoples' health in Canada, while cultivating a deeper understanding of the presence of coloniality in major institutions including health care, prisons, and the child welfare system. Students will further develop an understanding of approaches to health and healing that resonate with Indigenous peoples through the writings from Indigenous leaders, knowledge holders, artists, activists, clinicians, researchers, students, and youth while engaged in a collective examination of well-being from multiple perspectives. Students will be able to distill and articulate why health is one of the most significant issues that define the lives of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples in Canada while gaining practical insights and applied knowledge about combating coloniality and transforming systems in Canada through a decolonizing lens.</u> PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: This course is being reinstated with updates to the description. Due to logistics with regards to program need and delivery, NURS 3250 Toward Indigenous Health and Wellbeing has been created to meet the needs of the Nursing program. IKE 3065 is intended for IKE minor students, upcoming BA major students, and other students completing this course as an elective. IKE 3065 is well-subscribed and is intended to run in Winter, 2026.

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Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: none

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization Date:

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Motion # 20

Revision is for a: **Course Description Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To approve the course description as follows for IKE 3221, Mi'Kmaq Spiritualities

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3221 MI'KMAQ SPIRITUALITIES This course provides insight into L'nu cosmology by examining various Wabanaki'k Creation Stories, along with pan-Indigenous ceremonies, including smudging, fasting, pipe ceremonies, sharing circles, and sweat lodges, powwow drumming and dancing. It will examine hybrid Mi'Kmaq Catholicism and its modern-day manifestations. PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit	3221 MI'KMAQ SPIRITUALITIES This course provides insight into L'nu cosmology <u>spiritualities</u> by examining various Wabanaki'k <u>Mi'kmaq</u> Creation Stories, along with pan-Indigenous ceremonies, including smudging, fasting, pipe ceremonies, sharing circles, and sweat lodges, powwow drumming and dancing. It will <u>also examine evolution and modern-day manifestations of</u> hybrid Mi'kmaq Catholicism and its modern-day <u>manifestations.</u> PREREQUISITE: IKE 1040 Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: A Mi'kmaq focus is better suited for our program and location of UPEI on Epekwit. To ensure that this course reflects the course title, we are focusing on what is specifically the focus of the course – naming the distinct spiritualities, protocols and culture.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: none

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
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Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
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Motion # 21

Revision is for a: **Course Description Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To approve the course description change for IKE 3410, Canadian Treaties and Self-Government

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
3410 CANADIAN TREATIES AND SELF-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENTS This course is a survey of the Numbered Treaties in Canada, along with the British Columbia (BC) Treaty process and modern-day Treaties, such as Self- Government Agreements. PREREQUISITES: IKE 2000 Three semester hours of credit	3410 CANADIAN TREATIES AND SELF-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENTS This course is a survey of the Numbered Treaties in Canada, along with the British Columbia (BC) Treaty process and modern-day Treaties, such as Self- Government <u>Agreements. This includes pre-confederation treaties with First Nations, numbered treaties with First Nations, modern treaties which include land claims and self-governing treaties or agreements with Inuit and the Métis.</u> PREREQUISITES: IKE 2000 Three semester hours of credit

Rationale for Change: The current course description is exclusionary with regards to Métis treaties, Inuit land claims, and pre- confederation treaties. The amendments ensure treaties and land claims of all three Indigenous groups are addressed in an inclusive manner.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: none

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: none

Authorization

Date:

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Faculty/School Approval: IKERAS	August 14, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Dr. Angelina Weenie	August 14, 2025
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Motion # 22

Revision is for a: **Calendar Entry Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **IKERAS**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **IKERAS**

MOTION: To accept the calendar entry for IKERAS Bachelor of Arts Major in Indigenous Studies with major and minor requirements as presented.

<u>Reproduction of Current Calendar Entry</u>	<u>Proposed revision with changes underlined and deletions indicated clearly</u>
Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research and Applied Studies (IKERAS) Gary Evans, Interim Dean IKERAS Minor in Indigenous Studies The Minor in Indigenous Studies is a cross-disciplinary program to provide a better understanding of the place and importance of the Indigenous history, culture and knowledge systems. The program starts with the broad teachings of Turtle Island and includes as part of the core courses the foundation stones of the Faculty of Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research and Applied Studies (IKERAS) and importance of Indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing to the creation of a better globe and community. A Minor in Indigenous Studies offers students the ability to complement the learnings of their major degree. The carefully selected set of core courses and elective Indigenous courses provide the student knowledge that can be beneficial for future graduate studies or for integration into their careers going forward. Mi'kmaq culture and knowledge feature in a number of courses respecting whose land we are privileged to share knowledge on. All courses are taught by Indigenous instructors. REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINOR IN INDIGENOUS STUDIES A Minor in Indigenous Studies consists of twenty-one (21) semester hours of credit taken from the list of approved courses.	Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research and Applied Studies (IKERAS) <u>Gary Evans, Interim Dean</u> <u>Dr. Angelina Weenie, Dean</u> <u>Elder/Dr. Judy Clark, Elder in Residence</u> <u>Dr. Corinne Chappell, Sessional Instructor; Advisor to the Vice President, Academic and Research</u> <u>William Bourque, Assistant Professor</u> <u>Bradley Cooper, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>Neil Forbes, Assistant Professor</u> <u>Doris Googoo, Lecturer</u> <u>Karla Green, Assistant Professor</u> <u>Dawne Knockwood, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>Alicia Muttart, Administrative Assistant</u> <u>Erin Reid, Assistant Professor</u> <u>Alaina Roach-O'Keefe, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>Elder Tiffany Sark, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>Barbara Smith, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>Lori St. Onge, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>David Varis, Assistant Professor</u> <u>Morgan Varis, Sessional Instructor</u> <u>The Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Indigenous Studies is distinguished by its focus on land-based education and traditional in-person learning. Students will gain new skills and knowledge which will support greater levels of proficiency in addressing Indigenousization, decolonization, and reconciliation. The program responds to the need to learn about the diverse cultures and societies of Indigenous peoples, their histories, languages, and cultures. It supports the TRC Call to Action #63 which refers to "Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect." Article 13 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, states,</u>

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The four core courses that must be taken to achieve a minor include: • IKE 1040 Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island • IKE 2000 IKERAS Foundations • IKE 2020 Indigenous Peoples of Canada • IKE 3062 Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews In addition, students must select three IKERAS elective courses. Not all elective courses are offered every year. Indigenous Studies Minor Core Courses IKE 1040 Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island IKE 2000 IKERAS Foundations IKE 2020 Indigenous Peoples of Canada IKE 3062 Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews Elective Courses for Minor in Indigenous Studies IKE 2010 Mi'kmaq Language I IKE 2030 Indigenous Knowledge and Climate Change IKE 2042 Introduction to Indigenous Music, Film, and Art IKE 2046 Indigenous Literature IKE 2055 Introduction to the Indian Act IKE 2060 Mi'kmaq Foodways IKE 3020 Indigenous Child Welfare IKE 3030 The Fur Trade IKE 3090 Special Topics Course IKE 3250 INDIGENOUS HEALTH AND WELLBEING IKE 4010 Louis Riel and the Red River and North-West Resistances IKE 4040 Urban Indigenous Peoples of Canada	<u>"Indigenous peoples have the right to revitalize, use, develop, and transmit to future generations their histories, languages, oral traditions, philosophies, writing systems, and literatures." This program aims to teach critical aspects of Indigeneity and provides opportunity for UPEI students to engage with a Major in Indigenous Studies, or a minor in Indigenous Studies.</u> REQUIREMENTS FOR A MAJOR IN INDIGENOUS STUDIES <u>A major is complete when a student has successfully completed a minimum of 42 hours of credit in Indigenous Studies (14 courses) of which a minimum of 9 hours (3 courses) must be at least at the 3000 level, and 9 hours (3 courses) must be at the 4000 level.</u> <u>15 credit hours/5 core courses that must be taken to achieve a major include:</u> • <u>IKE 1040 Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island</u> • <u>IKE 2000 IKERAS Foundations</u> • <u>IKE 2020 Indigenous Peoples of Canada</u> • <u>IKE 3062 Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews</u> • <u>IKE 3066 Introduction to Indigenous Research Methodologies</u> <u>At least one of the following 4th year land-based or experiential learning courses, which would serve as a capstone course:</u> • <u>IKE 4096 Applied Indigenous Justice</u> • <u>IKE4210 Gijituaqasin: On the Land</u> • <u>IKE 4240 Ika'taquey: Indigenous Gardening and Meditative Practices</u> • <u>IKE 4410 Indigenous Territories Use-and-Occupancy Research Methods</u> <u>Minimum 9 credit hours/3 courses from Indigenous Languages and Cultures:</u> • <u>IKE 2010 Mi'kmaq Language I</u> • <u>IKE 2042 Introduction to Music, Film and Art</u> • <u>IKE 2046 Indigenous Literature</u> • <u>IKE 2110 Métis Culture, History, and Governance</u> • <u>IKE 2220 Beadwork: The Symbols of Indigenous Cultural Resilience and Value</u> • <u>IKE 2230 Mi'kmaq of Eastern Canada</u> • <u>IKE 3010 Mi'kmaw Language II</u> • <u>IKE 3221 Mi'kmaq Spiritualities</u> • <u>IKE 3350 Storytelling and Wabanaki Legends</u>
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	<u>Minimum 9 credit hours/3 courses from Colonialism, Decolonization, and Indigenous Self- Governance:</u> • <u>IKE 2052 Indigenous Resistance and Decolonizing</u> • <u>IKE 2055 Introduction to the Indian Act</u> • <u>IKE 2320 Wabanaki Confederacy</u> • <u>IKE 2800 Indigenous Laws in Contemporary Society</u> • <u>IKE 3056 Indigenous Peoples and Justice</u> • <u>IKE 3340 Wabanaki Peace and Friendship Treaties</u> • <u>IKE 3410 Canadian treaties and Self Government Agreements</u> • <u>IKE 4096 Applied Indigenous Justice</u> <u>Minimum 6 credit hours/2 courses from Land, Water, and Environment:</u> • <u>IKE 2030 Indigenous Knowledge and Climate Change</u> • <u>IKE 2060 Mi'kmaq Foodways</u> • <u>IKE 3065 Indigenous Health, Healing, and Wellness</u> • <u>IKE 4210 Gijituaqasin: On the Land</u> • <u>IKE 4240 Ika'taquey: Indigenous Gardening and Meditative Practices</u> • <u>IKE 4520 Islands of Indigeneity</u> IKERAS Minor in Indigenous Studies The Minor in Indigenous Studies is a cross-disciplinary program to provide a better understanding of the place and importance of the Indigenous history, culture and knowledge systems. The program starts with the broad teachings of Turtle Island and includes as part of the core courses the foundation stones of the Faculty of Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research and Applied Studies (IKERAS) and importance of Indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing to the creation of a better globe and community. A Minor in Indigenous Studies offers students the ability to complement the learnings of their major degree. The carefully selected set of core courses and elective Indigenous courses provide the student knowledge that can be beneficial for future graduate studies or for integration into their careers going forward.
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	Mi'kmaq culture and knowledge feature in a number of courses respecting whose land we are privileged to share knowledge on. All courses are taught by Indigenous instructors. REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINOR IN INDIGENOUS STUDIES A Minor in Indigenous Studies consists of twenty-one (21) semester hours of <u>IKE</u> credit. taken from the list of approved courses. The four core courses that must be taken to achieve a minor include: • IKE 1040 Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island • IKE 2000 IKERAS Foundations • IKE 2020 Indigenous Peoples of Canada • IKE 3062 Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews In addition, students must select three IKERAS elective courses. Not all elective courses are offered every year. Indigenous Studies Minor Core Courses IKE 1040 Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island IKE 2000 IKERAS Foundations IKE 2020 Indigenous Peoples of Canada IKE 3062 Introduction to Indigenous Knowledge and Worldviews Elective Courses for Minor in Indigenous Studies IKE 2010 Mi'kmaq Language I IKE 2030 Indigenous Knowledge and Climate Change IKE 2042 Introduction to Indigenous Music, Film, and Art IKE 2046 Indigenous Literature IKE 2055 Introduction to the Indian Act IKE 2060 Mi'kmaq Foodways IKE 3020 Indigenous Child Welfare IKE 3030 The Fur Trade IKE 3090 Special Topics Course IKE 3250 INDIGENOUS HEALTH AND WELLBEING
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CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

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	IKE 4010 Louis Riel and the Red River and North-West Resistances IKE 4040 Urban Indigenous Peoples of Canada
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Rationale for Change: Senate approved the full degree program of a BA Major in Indigenous Studies in April 2025. Following MPHEC processes, this program is set to be implemented in full and meets IKERAS and UPEI's Strategic Plans.

Effective Term: WINTER 2026

Implications for Other Programs: The BA Major in Indigenous Studies will provide an option for current students engaged in the IKERAS minor program to transition to a full BA degree in Indigenous Studies or Indigenous Studies as an additional major

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled: The BA Major in Indigenous Studies will provide an option for current students engaged in the IKERAS minor program to transition to a full degree in Indigenous Studies or Indigenous Studies as an additional major.

Resources Required: Continued use of KMB for offices, and classrooms throughout UPI until such time an appropriate Indigenized space is established for students, faculty, UPEI, and community.

Authorization Date:

Departmental Approval: IKERAS	October 9, 2025
Faculty/School Approval: IKERAS	October 9, 2025
Faculty Dean's Approval: Dr. Angelina Weenie	October 9, 2025
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: n/a	n/a
Received by Registrar's Office :	October 13, 2025

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES REGISTRAR'S OFFICE**Motion #23****Summary of Motions**
Registrar's Office

#	Type of Motion	Motion
23.	Calendar Entry Change	Academic Calendar Dates 2026-2027

CALENDAR & CURRICULUM CHANGE

Motion # 23

Revision is for a: **Calendar Entry Change**

Faculty/School/Department: **Registrar's Office**

Department/Program(s)/Academic Regulations: **N/A**

MOTION: To update Academic Dates for 2026-2027 – all programs except Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Bachelor of Education.

UPEI Calendar Dates 2026-2027

FALL SEMESTER (September–December 2026)

All programs except Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Bachelor of Education

~~9 Wednesday~~ 8 Tuesday Classes Begin

13 Sunday **Final** date to apply to graduate for Fall Semester

18 Friday **FINAL DAY FOR REGISTRATION, FOR CHANGING COURSES OR SECTIONS, FOR CANCELLATION OF COURSES OR SECTIONS, FOR CANCELLATION OF COURSES WITH FULL REFUND**

22 Tuesday All Fall Semester Fees due.

30 Wednesday National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. No classes

OCTOBER 2026

12 Monday Thanksgiving Day. No Classes.

13-16 (Tues-Fri) Mid-semester break. No Classes. **(Does not apply to MBA)**

30 Friday **Last** day for discontinuing courses – 50% tuition refund. **No discontinuation after this date.**

NOVEMBER 2026

11 Wednesday Remembrance Day. No Classes.

30 Monday Final date to apply to graduate for Winter Semester.

DECEMBER 2026

~~4 Friday~~ 9 Wednesday **Final Day of Fall Semester Classes** **56-60 Teaching Days**

~~9-19 (Wed-Sat)~~ 11-20 (Fri – Sun) ****EXAMINATIONS.** No examinations will be held during the period ~~23-26~~ November to ~~4-9~~ December inclusive without the permission of the Chair and Dean. **Note:** Please see Academic Regulation #13.

13 Sunday **No exams**

23 Wednesday End of Fall Semester. Course grades to be submitted to Registrar's Office by noon on this date.

WINTER SEMESTER (January–May 2027)

All programs except Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Bachelor of Education

JANUARY 2027

11 Monday Classes Begin

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22 Friday	FINAL DAY FOR REGISTRATION, FOR CHANGING COURSES OR SECTIONS, FOR CANCELLATION OF COURSES OR SECTIONS, FOR CANCELLATION OF COURSES WITH FULL REFUND
26 Tuesday	All Winter Semester Fees due.
FEBRUARY 2027	
15 Monday	Islander Day. No Classes.
16-19 (Tues-Fri)	Mid-semester break. No Classes. (Does not apply to MBA)
16 Tuesday	Registration begins for 2027 Summer
22 Monday	Classes resume
26 Friday	Last day for discontinuing courses – 50% tuition refund. No discontinuation after this date.
MARCH 2027	
26 Friday	Good Friday. No Classes -
29 Monday	Easter Monday. No Classes
APRIL 2027	
13 Tuesday	Final Day of Winter Semester Classes 60 Teaching Days
16-26 (Fri-Mon)	**EXAMINATIONS. No examinations will be held during the period 31 March to 13 April inclusive without the permission of the Chair and Dean. Note: Please see Academic Regulation #13.
18 Sunday	No exams
25 Sunday	Exams afternoon and evening only
29 Thursday	End of Winter Semester. Course grades for graduating students to be submitted to the Registrar's Office by noon on this date.
MAY 2027	
6 Thursday 3 Monday	Course grades for all students (not graduating) to be submitted to Registrar's Office by noon on this date.
11 Tuesday	CONVOCATION MORNING (Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Faculty of Nursing)
12 Wednesday	CONVOCATION MORNING (Faculty of Business and Faculty of Engineering)
13 Thursday	CONVOCATION MORNING (Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Education)
14 Friday	CONVOCATION MORNING (Faculty of Science)
18 Tuesday	Registration date for students with 4 th year standing
20 Thursday	Registration date for students with 3 rd year standing
25 Tuesday	Registration date for students with 2 nd year standing
26 Wednesday	Registration date for all other students

SUMMER SEMESTER (May-August 2027)

FEBRUARY 2027

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16 Tuesday **REGISTRATION** begins for **2027 Summer Semester (Including First and Second Summer Sessions)**

FIRST SUMMER SEMESTER 2027

NOTE: For courses that do not follow the regularly scheduled Summer Session dates published here, please note the unique First day, Last day, Add, Drop, and Discontinuation deadlines published here: [\[link\]](#). Tuition and fee payment deadline matches the Add/Drop date for each course

MAY 2027

10 Monday First Summer Session classes begin
14 Friday Last day to register late for First Summer Session courses; last day to cancel registration for full refund; last day for changing courses or sections
24 Monday Victoria Day. No Classes.

JUNE 2027

3 Thursday Last day to discontinue from First Summer Session courses*
17 Thursday **Final Day of First Summer Session Classes 28 Teaching Days**
21-22 (Mon-Tues) Exams for First Summer Session
25 Friday First Summer Session grades must be submitted to Registrar's Office by noon

SECOND SUMMER SESSION 2027

NOTE: For courses that do not follow the regularly scheduled Summer Session dates published here, please note the unique First day, Last day, Add, Drop, and Discontinuation deadlines published here: [\[link\]](#). Tuition and fee payment deadline matches the Add/Drop date for each course

JUNE 2027

28 Monday Second Summer Session classes begin

JULY 2027

1 Thursday Canada Day. No classes
2 Friday **Final date** to apply to graduate for Summer Semester
Last day to register late for Second Summer Session courses; last day to cancel registration for full refund; last day for changing courses or sections
22 Thursday Last day to discontinue from Second Summer Session courses*

AUGUST 2027

5 Thursday **Final Day of Second Summer Session Classes 28 Teaching Days**
9-10 (Mon-Tues) Exams for Second Summer Session courses
13 Friday Second Summer Session grades must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by noon
20 Friday Gold Cup and Saucer Day. No class

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27 Friday

Final Day of Summer Semester (for Internships, coop placements and other learning delivered over the full Summer Semester (May through August) – Grades must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by noon for these courses.

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****Should a final exam, scheduled within the exam period, be cancelled due to storm conditions or other unforeseen circumstances, the Registrar's Office will reschedule the exam. Cancelled exams will be rescheduled to the earliest possible date within the exam period (normally, this would occur at the end of the exam period to avoid other previously scheduled exams). Updates will be posted to the University website.**

Rationale for Change: To update 2026 -2027 Academic Calendar dates.

Effective Term: FALL 2025

Implications for Other Programs: N/A

Impact on Students Currently Enrolled:
N/A

Authorization

Date:

Departmental Approval: N/A	N/A
Faculty/School Approval: N/A	N/A
Faculty Dean's Approval: N/A	N/A
Grad. Studies Dean's Approval: N/A	N/A
Registrar's Office Approval: Darcy McCardle	September 15, 2025

APPENDIX A

Briefing Note

Graduation Requirement of UPEI 1010/1020/1030 - Academic Regulation 1-h

Current Requirement

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- UPEI/English 1010, Writing Studies: Engaging Writing, Rhetoric, and Communication; or
- UPEI 1020, Inquiry Studies: Engaging Ideas and Cultural Contexts; or
- UPEI 1030, University Studies: Engaging University Contexts and Experience.

Under the current regulation, students must complete one of those three options at any point prior to graduation and are limited to counting only one of the courses except by special approval from their Dean.

Background

Until the end of the 2007-08 academic year, English 101 (now 1010) and a second English course were graduation requirements for all UPEI students. Beginning in the 2008-09 academic year, the requirement changed, and students were required to complete Global Issues 151 and a writing-intensive course as graduation requirements. Following a review conducted in 2011, Global Issues was disbanded. Beginning in the 2013-14 academic year, a new sequence that included one of UPEI 1010, 1020, or 1030 and a writing intensive course became the graduation requirement. In 2022-23, IKERAS 1040 was added to the graduation requirements as the University Senate recognized an obligation to uphold the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

UPEI/English 1010 is housed in the Department of English. Its administration is carried out by the Department under the purview of the Faculty of Arts. UPEI 1020 and 1030 are viewed as non-departmentalized programs administered by the Faculty of Arts on behalf of the University. Budgets for all three programs are separated from the general Arts budget.

Quality Assurance Review

Beginning in 2022 and carrying through to 2024, the three UPEI courses underwent a MPHEC quality assurance review as a combination, colloquially referred to as the "first-year suite." The program coordinators of 1010, 1020, and 1030 submitted materials that were incorporated into a self-study.

A site visit, with an advisory panel of one internal and two external members, took place on December 7 and 8, 2023. The reviewers' report was submitted to the University on January 15, 2024. The reviewers were asked to consider the universal graduation requirement and the quality of the courses themselves. They found each of the courses offered value to students' learning experiences. They proposed new ways to administer and coordinate the courses. The course coordinators did not agree with all of the recommendations and were invited to provide written responses to the report. The reviewers did not address directly the issue of the graduation requirement.

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While the Working Group deliberated, the Dean of Arts met with instructors from 1010 and the coordinator, instructors from 1030 and the coordinator, and the coordinator of 1020 who indicated a meeting with instructors was not necessary as there was consensus on the issue to be explored. That issue was, from the perspective of those teaching the courses, should the graduation requirement be retained. The consensus among those met with was that the courses should be retained (throughout the process, there has not been any discussion suggesting they wouldn't be) but that the graduation requirement should be removed. The consensus emerged because of three shared beliefs: students are unlikely to benefit from these courses if taken in 3rd or 4th year; students are unlikely to engage with the course materials if they feel coerced to complete the course simply to satisfy a graduation requirement; and that students should be permitted to take more than one of the three courses early in their academic careers.

Result

Aware of this consensus and having considered the anomalous nature of UPEI's universal graduation requirements across all faculties and disciplines (anomalous in the region), the Working Group recommended to disband the graduation requirement of 1010, 1020, or 1030. The Working Group further recommended continued funding support for the courses to the level of student interest/enrollment. It also recommended to restrict the year standing in which students can access the courses. Deans' permission would be available for upper-level students in reasonable circumstances. As a result, this recommendation was received and accepted by APCC and is now conveyed to Senate for final approval.

Subject: Background of new undergraduate Indigenous Studies major

Prepared by: Dr. Angelina Weenie

Prepared for: Senate

Date: November 17, 2025

ISSUE

To provide more information and background on the proposed new Bachelor of Arts; Major in Indigenous Studies.

BACKGROUND

We are on Epekwitk, the unceded land of the Mi'kmaq Nation. This territory is part of the Peace and Friendship Treaties, which recognize Mi'kmaq title and establish the ongoing relationship between the Mi'kmaq Nation and the Crown. We are all treaty people.

The University of Prince Edward Island has made significant strides in advancing reconciliation in higher education. These accomplishments and history have been outlined in the Executive Report of the Faculty of Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research, and Applied Studies (IKERAS), dated October 2023; a Memorandum of Understanding Between UPEI Indigenous Circle and the University of Prince Edward Island; and the UPEI Indigenous Strategic Framework and Initiatives, 2024-2028.

UPEI's journey to reconciliation began in September 2004 when the Faculty of Education first offered Aboriginal Studies courses. The UPEI Indigenous Advisory Circle was implemented in March 2017. The Faculty of Indigenous Knowledge, Education, Research, and Applied Studies (IKERAS) was created by a vote of the UPEI Senate and the UPEI Board in November 2021. The mandatory course, IKE 1040, Indigenous Teaching of Turtle Island, was first offered in May 2022. These initiatives have set the foundation for Indigenous knowledge, cultures, language, values, and traditions in higher learning, and further truth and reconciliation in Canada.

The Minor in Indigenous Studies was established by the Faculty of Indigenous Education, Research, and Applied Studies in 2022. The proposed new Bachelor of Arts, Major in Indigenous Studies succeeds the Minor. This program will advance the UPEI Strategic Plan for reconciliation, decolonization, and indigenization. The program creates a broad view of Indigeneity while prioritizing Mi'kmaq epistemology, ontology, and pedagogy.

RECOMMENDATION

To approve the proposed new undergraduate program in Indigenous Studies (Bachelor of Arts; Major in Indigenous Studies).

RATIONALE

There are currently 50 students enrolled in the Minor. They have stated that the ability to integrate Indigenous knowledge would support their career aspirations and help them to address social justice and diversity issues.

A letter from Lennox Island First Nation leadership, in support of the new program, states that students “will be prepared for careers in education, healthcare, environmental management and social work, helping bridge the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.”

The proposed Bachelor of Arts, Major in Indigenous Studies, was reviewed by an external expert from the University of Saskatchewan. Dalhousie University and Acadia University also provided feedback and recommendations. All recommendations were addressed.

The UPEI Senate approved the Bachelor of Arts, Major in Indigenous Studies, in principle on March 14, 2025. Then the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission approved the program with conditions on August 22, 2025. The conditions stated that the program structure would be posted on the UPEI website and that an Associate Professor would be hired for July 2026. These conditions will be fulfilled.

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TO: UPEI Senate

FROM: Marva Sweeney-Nixon, Chair, Senate Research advisory Committee (RAC)

DATE: November 4th, 2025

RE: Annual report of RAC (2024-2025)

The **composition** of the Senate Research Advisory Committee (RAC) consists mostly of faculty members actively engaged in scholarly activities and elected by Senate for 3-year terms. Other regular members are a graduate student nominated by the Graduate Student Association (GSA), a senior undergraduate student nominated by the Student Union (UPEISU), and 3 *ex officio* members: the Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research, AVC; the University Librarian; and the Associate VP Research & Dean of Graduate Studies (AVPR-DGS), who chairs the committee. The Administrative Assistant for the AVPR-DGS provides administrative support to RAC. The current members are listed below:

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| ■ Arts: Joshua MacFadyen | ■ Business: Suzanne Rath |
| ■ Education: Rachelle Gauthier | ■ FSDE: Amy Hsiao |
| ■ IKERAS: Erin Reid | ■ Nursing: Margie Burns |
| ■ Library: Donald Moses (until June 2025) | ■ Science: Bill Whelan |
| ■ Vet Med: Laurie McDuffee | ■ UPEISU: vacant |
| ■ GSA: vacant | |

RAC's **mandate** is to ***further the research and scholarly mission of UPEI in the pursuit of excellence.*** This includes monitoring research policies, programs and Centres; adjudicating internal awards; and generally providing recommendations to Senate on matters related to research, reporting annually. From November 2024-October 2025, the full SRAC met 4 times in person and other times as sub-committees outside of regular meetings, with **RAC activities** guided by fulfilling goals elaborated by the Strategic Research Plan and the Terms of Reference:

1) *Developing, reviewing, and revising policies concerning research development & administration. Considering and responding to reports of granting bodies that impact university research.*

1.1 RAC provided input on and supported proposed changes to the IslandScholar Policy. *"To ensure accurate representation of UPEI's scholarly output, citations in IslandScholar will only include works created/published by scholars while affiliated with UPEI. The Library will discontinue entering*

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1.2 RAC reviewed and ratified proposed changes to 1) the process for 'Student Hiring for Research'. The proposal is to allow researchers to hire undergraduate student research assistants without needing signatures from Department Chair and Dean. 2) the rebranding of OCII to Research Partnerships & Innovation.

1.3 RAC reviewed the Draft, Revised Tri-Agency Open Access Policy on Publications. The objective of this policy, which will apply to all agency-funded grantees and chairholders (January 2026), is to ensure that all agency-funded, peer-reviewed research articles are immediately and freely available online to the research community, readers in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors, and the general public.

2) ***Advising on mechanisms to promote the research mission of the university, to recognize research excellence, and enhance overall research performance and competitiveness.***

RAC discussed and provided input on a new research Magazine. RAC also undertook brainstorming of the Strategic Research Plan and the Action Plan. RAC endorsed a new proposal from ORS for release of funds.

3) ***Overseeing the adjudication processes for internal and external research grants, fellowships, and scholarship competitions that require internal review and/or distribution.*** Subcommittees of RAC deliberated on Internal Research Grants and SSHRC Explore Research Grants (IRGs, SERGs); self-funded sabbatical applications; proposals for the Robbins Olivier Award and Queen Elizabeth Scholars; and assisted with Levesque fellowships. RAC proposed a new grant for publications, and then discussed and provided input on the new SSHRC Scholarly Publications Grant.

Respectfully submitted,

Mawa Sweeney Nixon