



FOR APPROVAL PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

TO: UTSC Academic Affairs Committee

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**DATE:** Wednesday, January 27, 2016

AGENDA ITEM: 3d

## ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Major modification to close the Health Management streams of the Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management (BBA)

#### JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

University of Toronto Scarborough Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) "is concerned with matters affecting the teaching, learning and research functions of the Campus" (AAC Terms of Reference, Section 4). Under section 5.6 of its terms of reference, the Committee is responsible for approval of "Major and minor modifications to existing degree programs." The AAC has responsibility for the approval of Major and Minor modifications to existing programs as defined by the University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process (UTQAP, Section 3.1).

## **GOVERNANCE PATH:**

1. UTSC Academic Affairs Committee [For Approval] (January 27, 2016)

## PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

No previous action in governance has been taken on this item.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

The Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences is proposing to close the Health Management streams of its Specialist and Specialist Co-operative programs in Management (BBA).

The Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management were undifferentiated programs (i.e. programs without streams) until 2013-14 when a proposal to introduce new streams in Health Management was approved by UTSC Governance. At this time, the Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management became programs with two streams – the General BBA stream and the Health Management stream.

The Department of Management was unable to secure the faculty resources necessary to support the Health Management streams in 2013-14, and enrolment was formally suspended in 2014-15. A recent academic planning exercise has made it clear that the streams in Health Management are not aligned with the Department's academic priorities and aspirations, and closing them is therefore appropriate.

The Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management will revert to being undifferentiated programs. The course requirements and learning outcomes will be the existing requirements and outcomes associated with the General BBA streams.

Since no students are enrolled in the streams in Health Management, no students will be negatively impacted by their closure. Students interested in Management have many other options to choose from, as do students who are interested in Health.

This proposal has been approved by the Management Departmental Curriculum Committee. It has been reviewed by the Dean's Office, the Decanal Undergraduate Curriculum Committee and the Provost's Office.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no net financial implications to the campus' operating budget.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Be It Resolved,

THAT the proposal to close the Health Management stream of the Specialist in Management (BBA), as described in the proposal dated June 29, 2015 and recommended by the Interim Vice-Principal Academic and Dean, Professor William Gough, be approved effective April 1, 2016 for the academic year 2016-17; and

THAT the proposal to close the Health Management stream of the Specialist (Cooperative) in Management (BBA), as described in the proposal dated June 29,

UTSC Academic Affairs Committee- Major Modification to close the Health Management streams of the Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management (BBA)

2015 and recommended by the Interim Vice-Principal Academic and Dean, Professor William Gough, be approved effective April 1, 2016 for the academic year 2016-17.

# **DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:**

1. Major Modification to close Health Management streams of the Specialist and Specialist Co-op programs in Management (BBA) dated June 29, 2015.