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TO: Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

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AGENDA ITEM: 9 (a)

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

School of Graduate Studies: Proposal for a Collaborative Program in Aboriginal Health

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Committee has general responsibility for policy on, and for monitoring, collaborative graduate programs, after approval by the Council of the School of Graduate Studies.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

HIGHLIGHTS:

The University has a long tradition of graduate education and research in Aboriginal health and related fields, although conducted in scattered departments. The present external and internal environments are very conducive to promoting and consolidating Aboriginal health at the University, and a collaborative program will enhance the student experience by offering a broad base of faculty expertise and an opportunity to share research ideas and results from multiple perspectives.

The graduate programs involved in the proposal include:

- Public Health Sciences (MHSc, PhD)
- Adult Education and Counselling Psychology (MEd, MA, EdD, PhD in Counselling Psychology)
- Anthropology (MA, MSc, PhD)
- Nursing Science (MN, PhD)
- Geography (MA, PhD)
- Sociology and Equity Studies in Education (Med, MA, EdD, PhD)

The program has been approved by the Graduate Studies Committees/Curriculum Committees of all participating graduate units and by the Graduate Department Chairs of all participating graduate units.

The School of Graduate Studies approved the program to be effective as of September 2005 at its Council meeting on May 24, 2005.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

There are no new/additional financial resources required to implement the new program.

RECOMMENDATION:

For Information.