



TO: Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

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AGENDA ITEM: 6

ITEM IDENTIFICATION: School of Graduate Studies: Annual Report on Approvals under Delegated Authority by the Graduate Education Council, 2008-2009

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Committee on Academic Policy and Programs is responsible for monitoring academic matters as may be required by general policy.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

As a result of amendments to the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs terms of reference in 2006, the School of Graduate Studies Graduate Education Council was delegated the authority to approve changes to admission requirements to graduate programs and to approve the establishment of direct admissions options for existing PhD programs, consistent with School of Graduate Studies policy. The School of Graduate Studies is charged with the responsibility of reporting all changes approved under its authority as part of an annual report to the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The summary report of SGS Graduate Education Council (GEC) 2008-09 is attached. This is the third annual report by the School of Graduate Studies. Below is a comparison of proposal types and submissions to GEC over the past three years:

Proposal Type¹	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2008-09</u>
New Flex Time Options	1		
Admission Requirement Changes		7	4
Admission & Requirement Changes	2	4	
Minor Program Requirement Changes	30	18	26
New Collaborative/Combined Program	1	6	2
New Procedural Regulations and Regulation Changes			3
Program Name Changes			1
Total	34	35	36

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

For Information

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¹ New program proposals, program closures and most program name changes have not been included in this table as such proposals are forwarded to governance for its consideration during the course of each academic year.