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Queen's University Quality Assurance Processes *(QUQAPs)*
September 27, 2011

At the May 25, 2011 meeting, Senate approved the following motion:

Moved by Senator Morelli, seconded by Senator Jones, that the QUQAPs document as revised by the COU Quality Council be presented to Senate for receipt at the September 27, 2011 meeting.

Carried 11-43

The document is posted on the Office of the Provost and VP (Academic) website at http://www.queensu.ca/provost/responsibilities/qualityassurance/Comparison.html The link is provided due to the length of the document.

The document illustrates the changes made to the Senate-approved QUQAPs (November 30, 2010) and the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) Quality Council-ratified QUQAPs (April 28, 2011). Amendments are indicated with **bolding** and strikethrough. Explanations are provided for the more significant changes to the QUQAPs.

The May 25, 2011 report to Senate is provided as background.

September 27 motions to be moved by the Provost

a)   **That Senate approve receipt of the QUQAPs as presented.**

b)   **That Senate rescind the following, effective September 27, 2011:**
   - **Policies and Procedures for Establishing New Undergraduate Programs**
   - **Approval Process for New Graduate Programs**
   - **Internal Academic Review.**

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Queen's University Quality Assurance Processes
Report to Senate - Meeting of May 25, 2011
Deferred to September 27, 2011

Introduction
Queen's University Quality Assurance Processes (*QUQAPs*) were approved by Senate on November 25, 2010 and ratified by the COU Quality Council on April 28, 2011. The *QUQAPs* have undergone several revisions at the request of the COU Quality Council. These revisions were minor in nature with the notable exception of the approval levels required for new programs and changes to existing programs. As a consequence, several program types no longer require external consultants or approval by the Quality Council before they can be implemented. This means that the approval processes should be greatly expedited which is good news for Queen's. The ratified version of the QUQAPs is available on the web at:
http://www.queensu.ca/provost/responsibilities/qualityassurance/QUQAPsFinalApr28-11.pdf

Analysis and Discussion
- The new *QUQAPs* encompass procedures for proposals for new graduate and undergraduate programs and cyclical program reviews;
- The new quality assurance procedures will be implemented on September 1, 2011;
- The current Senate policies covering approval process for new programs and internal academic review will become redundant with the implementation of the new *QUQAPs;*
- The internal academic review for the Theological College is ongoing and should be concluded by December 2011. This review began and will be completed under the IAR policy.

Motion
that as of August 31, 2011, Senate rescind the following policies:
- **Policies and Procedures for Establishing New Undergraduate Programs**
- **Approval Process for New Graduate Programs**
- **Internal Academic Review**

Respectfully submitted,

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Action deferred to September 27, 2011. See previous page for updated motion.