Queen's University Quality Assurance Processes
Report to Senate - Meeting of May 25, 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/vpac/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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