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Honourable Murray Coell
Minister of Advanced Education
And Labour Market Development
Parliament Buildings
Victoria BC V8V 1X4

Dear Minister:

On behalf of the Degree Quality Assessment Board (the Board), I have the honour of providing you with the Board's annual report for the period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

For the fifth full year, the Board carried out its advisory role by conducting thorough quality reviews of applications from public and private institutions. The Board would like to acknowledge the valuable contribution of the external reviewers who worked with the Board in carrying out these reviews.

A major focus of the Board's work in 2007/08 was the implementation of reporting and monitoring policies for institutions with consent to offer degree programs under the *Degree Authorization Act*. This has resulted in increased oversight and accountability ensuring that programs being offered to British Columbia students are of the highest quality.

The Board looks forward to continuing to work with you to ensure the quality of British Columbia's post-secondary education system.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Nicholas Rubidge
Chair

British Columbia
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1. Degree Quality Assessment Board

a) Roles and Responsibilities of the Board

The Degree Quality Assessment Board (the Board) reviews and makes recommendations to the Minister of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development (the Minister) on applications for:

- new degree programs and exempt status¹ submitted by British Columbia public post-secondary institutions and private and out-of-province public post-secondary institutions; and,
- use of the word “university” submitted by private and out-of-province public post-secondary institutions.

The Board also recommends to the Minister policies, criteria and guidelines that will apply for the purposes of giving or refusing consent or approval or attaching terms and conditions to consent.

b) Composition of the Board

The Board is comprised of eleven voting members and three non-voting members. The voting members are selected for their background, experience and interest in post-secondary education, and include representatives from the private and public post-secondary degree-granting sectors, the business community, students and the general public. The three non-voting members are from the Ministry and the private training and transfer and articulation sectors.

¹ Institutions with proven track records (10 years’ history in enrolling students in programs in B.C. at a particular degree level) and appropriate governance mechanisms in place may apply for “exempt status” at a specific degree level. For example, if an institution meets the 10-year prerequisite period for baccalaureate degrees and satisfies other criteria for exempt status, the institution could apply for exempt status in respect of new baccalaureate degrees. When an institution has been granted exempt status at a certain degree level, proposals submitted for new degree programs at that level would go directly to the Minister for approval following the 30-day peer/public review period on the Ministry’s website. The board does not review the proposal unless the Minister has concerns about it and refers it to the board.

Voting members

Brian Gillespie, Chair
Roger Blackman, Vice-chair
Elizabeth Ashton
Richard Tees
Harro van Brummelen
David Sylvester
Jock Finlayson (left the Board July 2007)
John Winter
Thomas Simons
Stanley Shapiro
Don Ramos
Tim McEwan (appointed to the Board November 2007)

Ex-officio members

Frank Gelin
Jim Wright
Ruth Wittenberg

Biographical information on Board members is provided in Appendix 1.

c) Expert Reviewers

The Board relies on the expert opinions of highly qualified reviewers. These external experts, who are contracted by the Board to review submissions of new degree programs and other applications², provide advice to the Board and are integral to the Board's role in ensuring that new proposed degree programs at both private and public post-secondary institutions meet the Minister's criteria.

The willingness of these experts to serve on review panels, and the quality of their advice, has greatly assisted the Board in doing its work. See Appendix 2 for further information on expert reviewers.

² Experts may also be contracted to review applications for exempt status and for institutions governed by the *Degree Authorization Act*, applications for use of the word "university".

d) Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality

Board members and the external experts engaged by the Board adhere to a Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality Policy which ensures that Board members and external experts avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest including that which might impair or impugn the independence, integrity or impartiality of the Board.

Board members must also adhere to the Guidelines for Conduct of Government Appointees to B.C. Agencies, Boards and Commissions developed by the Board Resourcing Development Office. External experts are also expected to adhere to the spirit of these guidelines.

e. Board Secretariat

The Policy and System Quality Branch of the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development provides secretariat support to the Board. The secretariat provides policy and procedural advice, organizes meetings and expert review panels, and responds to inquiries from the public and applicant institutions.

f. Degree Authorization Website

The Board and the Ministry communicate with post-secondary stakeholders and members of the public via the Degree Authorization website. The website provides information about the Board, the quality assessment process, assessment criteria, guidelines and policies, relevant legislation, applications currently under review, recommendations of the Board and decisions of the Minister. The website also reports on administrative actions undertaken by the Ministry.

2. Activities and Accomplishments

a) Reporting and Monitoring – Private and Out-of-Province Public Institutions

In addition to the quality assessment process institutions and degree programs go through upon application for consent, the Degree Authorization Act (DAA) requires all consent holders to submit annual reports to the Ministry and the Board including information on the institution and its students, their operations in British Columbia, the degree programs under consent and how they are continuing to meet or exceed performance standards under the established criteria.

Consent holders submit annual reports and representatives of the Ministry and the Board secretariat pay annual visits to the site of each institution's British Columbia operations to ensure that the quality of post-secondary education in the province is continually improving and meeting the needs of students. Site visits focus on evidence-based outcomes related to the initial applications and expert reviewers' reports. The scope of the site visit is also informed by any concerns or issues arising from the initial organization review, program review(s) and the annual report and is a means to follow up on issues that were raised during and since the consent process in relation to current performance.

This reporting requirement was implemented in 2007. Sixteen private and out-of-province public institutions have received consent under the DAA to offer degree programs. Of these, eight had been operating under consent for more than one year and were required to report on their 2006/2007 academic year.

The Board secretariat developed individual performance reports for each consent holder based on the information provided in the institution's annual report and collected at the site visits as well as the initial organization review, program review(s), and any concerns or issues brought to the Ministry's attention during the reporting cycle. The reports included general observations, examples of good practice noted and recommendations and requirements for the institution to improve quality. The performance reports were sent to each institution in March 2008. Institutions were given the opportunity to provide feedback and comments on the report before they went before the Board for review at its March 31, 2008 meeting.

The 2007/2008 reporting cycle will include all sixteen institutions and programs currently operating with consent. Annual reports will be submitted in August 2008 and site visits will be scheduled for the fall of 2008. This data will be compiled and annual performance and monitoring reports will be submitted to the Board for its review in March 2009

b) Renewal of Consent Policy – Private and Out-of-Province Public Institutions

When the Minister grants consent to an institution it is normally limited to a period of five years. In 2007, several institutions were coming to the end of their term of consent.

In 2008, the Board developed a policy that will apply to all applications for renewal of consent that will ensure that the application undergoes a process that determines if the institution or program has maintained and will continue to maintain quality. This quality assessment process for renewal of consent will primarily focus on evidence-based outcomes.

Under the new policy, the Board reserves the right to:

- determine whether an institution is required to submit an Organizational Self-Study and whether an Organization Review will be conducted in conjunction with an application for renewal of consent;
- choose to recognize prior Organization Reviews conducted on previous applications to the Board or accreditation assessments in whole or in part; and,
- determine the scope and type of review each application for renewal will undergo to ascertain if it meets the established criteria.

In making this determination, the Board will take under consideration:

- any provisions or *Special Terms and Conditions of Consent* attached to the original consent;
- the annual performance reporting and monitoring information; and,
- any concerns or complaints raised with the Ministry regarding the institution and/or program during the consent period.

The Board will then provide a recommendation to the Minister if consent should be renewed and if any *Special Terms and Conditions of Consent* should be added or removed.

c) Alberta-British Columbia Cooperation

In 2006 Alberta and British Columbia entered into a Memorandum of Understanding which included improving the quality assurance of post-secondary institutions and programs as one of its objectives. This led to a joint initiative to seek opportunities for the harmonization of degree program standards.

British Columbia and Alberta have similar processes for reviewing new degree programs. In Alberta, the Campus Alberta Quality Council (Council) is responsible for making recommendations to the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology on applications from post-secondary institutions seeking to offer new degree programs in Alberta including degrees offered by non-resident institutions. Except for divinity degrees, all degree programs offered in Alberta must be approved by the Minister. The council determines the criteria and procedures for its reviews.

British Columbia has agreed to take the lead in reviewing and analyzing the standards and criteria used by the Campus Alberta Quality Council and the Degree Quality Assessment Board to identify opportunities for cooperation.

d) Conferences

- **International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE)**

Board representatives attended the INQAAHE in April. This conference provided the Board with insight into the quality assurance practices of jurisdictions around the world. Of particular interest was the Bologna Process which aims to create a European higher education area through the cooperation of 46 signatory countries.

- **Aboriginal Post-Secondary Education Forum**

In November 2007 Board representatives attended the Aboriginal Post-Secondary Education Forum which provided an opportunity for First Nations leaders, government and stakeholders to discuss issues surrounding Aboriginal education.

e) Applications Received³

“Applications received” refers to submissions that have been submitted and verified by the secretariat:

- for Board review; and,
- Minister’s review if the degree proposal is from an institution with exempt status and Board review is not required.

³ Represents the number of applications received during the period April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008. It does not include applications received in the prior period that were in progress and reviewed by the board in 2007/2008.

The Board reviewed new degree programs offered at British Columbia’s public post-secondary institutions and at private and out-of-province public institutions in British Columbia.

The Board strives to make recommendations to the Minister within six months of an application being referred to the Board.

Degree program applications – received in 2007/2008			
Institution Type	Number Received	Number for review by the Board	Number exempt from Board review
British Columbia public institutions	17	11	6
Private and out-of-province public institutions	6	4	2
Total	23	15	8

- See Appendices 3 and 4 for further information on degree program applications received between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008.

Applications for use of the word “university” – received in 2007/2008	
Institution Type	Number received (for review by the Board)
Private and out-of-province public institutions	2
Total	2

- See Appendix 5 for further information on applications for use of the word “university” received between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008.

Applications withdrawn 2007/2008	
Institution Type	Number withdrawn
British Columbia public institutions	4
Private and out-of-province public institutions	9
Total	13

- See Appendix 6 for further information on applications withdrawn between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008.

f) Recommendations to the Minister⁴

In the period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008, the Board made a total of 30 recommendations to the Minister for new degree programs, one recommendation for use of the word “university” and one recommendation for exempt status. These include recommendations on submissions received during the prior period.

Minister’s approvals are posted on the [Recommendations and Decisions](#) page on the Degree Authorization website.

Recommendations made to the Minister – degree programs	
Institution Type	Recommendations to approve
British Columbia public institutions	14
Private and out-of-province public institutions	1
Sub-total	15
	Recommendations that consent not be granted
British Columbia public institutions	0
Private and out-of-province public institutions	0
Total	15

Recommendations made to the Minister – applications for use of the word “university”	
Institution Type	Recommendations to approve
Private and out-of-province public institutions	1
	Recommendations that consent not be granted
Private and out-of-province public institutions	0
Total	1

⁴ Represents recommendations made by the Board during the period April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008; includes recommendations made on applications received during the prior period.

Recommendations made to the Minister – applications for exempt status	
Institution Type	Recommendations to approve
British Columbia public institutions	1
Private and out-of-province public institutions	0
Sub-total	1
	Recommendations that consent not be granted
British Columbia public institutions	0
Private and out-of-province public institutions	0
Total	1

- See Appendix 7 for further information on recommendations to the Minister.

g. Other Activities

Determination of new degree, requests for degree/credential name changes, and changes to consent

The Degree Program Review Criteria and Guidelines include a provision that allows institutions to request the Board's determination of whether a change in program offering is of sufficient magnitude to be classed as a new degree requiring Board review and/or approval of the Minister.

During 2007/2008, the Board reviewed seven requests for determination of new degree. The Board determined that four of the seven requests did not constitute a new degree. The three programs which were determined to be new degrees must be submitted for public review and approval should the institutions wish to proceed.

- See Appendix 8 for further information on requests for determination of new degree reviewed by the Board.

During 2007/2008, the Board reviewed three requests from institutions for a change in degree/credential name. The Board reviews these requests to determine whether the new name constitutes a new degree. In all three cases the Board determined that the name changes did not constitute a new degree.

- See Appendix 9 for further information on requests for degree credential name changes reviewed by the Board.

During 2007/2008 the Board also recommended three changes to previously granted consent.

- See Appendix 10 for further information on changes made to consent.

3. Next Steps

In 2008/2009 the Board will continue to conduct reviews and make recommendations on applications made to the Minister as well as monitor those institutions which are already operating under the Degree Authorization Act.

The Board will also investigate methods of gauging the varying levels of success of academic programs being offered in British Columbia. Specifically, following a report commissioned by the Board on major fields testing, the Board plans to consider outcomes testing of graduates as a standardized method of assessment.

To ensure that the criteria used in the assessment of applications to the Minister remain relevant, the Board will continue the ongoing work of criteria revision.

The Board will also continue to work with Campus Alberta Quality Council to promote cooperation and harmonization. Towards this end, the Board plans to analyze the criteria used in each province and prepare a paper which will identify commonalities and opportunities for harmonization and mutual recognition of degree programs.

Appendix 1 - Degree Quality Assessment Board Members

Brian Gillespie, Chair

Brian Gillespie served in a number of roles – including President, Vice-President of Education and Dean – at the British Columbia Institute of Technology over 24 years before retiring in 2000. He is a former chair of the Provincial Degree Program Review Committee and has served on the Boards of the Pacific Parklands Foundation, Vancouver General Hospital, the Science Council of British Columbia, and the former Industry Training and Apprenticeship Commission, among others. Currently, Gillespie is a board member on the Fraser Health Authority. Gillespie holds a Master of Science in Physics from McMaster University and a Doctor of Higher Education from Nova University.

Roger Blackman, Vice-Chair

Roger Blackman is special advisor to the Dean of Arts for Simon Fraser University, where he has taught psychology since 1967. He is a fellow of the Canadian Psychological Association, was a founding member of the Provincial Degree Program Review Committee and served on the Board of the British Columbia Council on Admissions and Transfer. Blackman received his PhD and Master of Science in Psychology from McGill University. He holds a Bachelor of Science with honours from Edinburgh University and a Bachelor of Science from London University.

Elizabeth Ashton

Elizabeth Ashton has been the president of Camosun College since 1994. Previously, she served as Vice-President, Academic at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Peterborough and Dean of the Hospitality, Tourism and Leisure Management Division at Humber College in Toronto. Ashton received her Doctor of Philosophy in Education Administration at the University of Texas in Austin, a Master of Arts from the University of Central Michigan, a Master of Education and a Bachelor of Physical and Health Education from the University of Toronto and an honorary Doctor of Laws from Royal Roads University. She is a former member of the Provincial Degree Program Review Committee.

Richard Tees

Richard Tees is a professor emeritus of psychology at the University of British Columbia (UBC). He has acted in numerous UBC management and advisory roles for 40 years, serving on its senate for 15 years and as head of the psychology department. Tees was a member of the executive of the UBC Okanagan transition management team that oversaw the establishment of a second campus of UBC in Kelowna, serving as its acting deputy vice chancellor and academic vice president until July 2006. He is the past president of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science and the Canadian Council of Departments of Psychology, a past chair of the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council grant selection committee and is currently the chair of the board of directors of Cetecea Networks Corporation. Tees received his PhD in psychology (biopsychology) from the University of Chicago and a Bachelor of Arts with honours from McGill University. His academic honours include election as a Fellow in

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each of the three major North American scholarly societies: the Canadian Psychological Association, the American Psychological Association and American Psychological Society.

Harro Van Brummelen

Harro Van Brummelen is a founding professor of Trinity Western University's teacher education program. He worked for 23 years in public and private schools as a teacher, principal and provincial coordinator before joining Trinity Western University in 1986. At Trinity Western, where he is currently professor of education, he has served as Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Dean of the School of Education. He is also the past chair of the Association of British Columbia Deans of Education. He received his Doctor of Education from the University of British Columbia, his Master of Education from the University of Toronto and a Bachelor of Science in mathematics and physics from McGill University.

David Sylvester

David Sylvester is the President of Corpus Christi College, British Columbia's Catholic Liberal Arts college at the University of British Columbia. He is a member of the American Historical Association, the Medieval Academy, the Medieval Association of the Pacific and the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities of Canada. Sylvester holds a PhD and a Master of Arts from Fordham University in New York and a Bachelor of Arts from Niagara University in New York State.

Jock Finlayson (left the Board July 2007)

Jock Finlayson is the Executive Vice-President of the Business Council of British Columbia, an association representing 200 large and mid-sized companies that together account for one-quarter of the jobs in the province. In this capacity, he directs the Council's work on economic, fiscal, tax, environmental, energy and regulatory issues of interest to the province's business community. Finlayson previously served as vice president of research at Canadian Council of Chief Executives, a leading national business association in Ottawa. Prior to that he worked as a senior analyst at Environics Research Group, a market research and public opinion polling firm in Toronto and gained experience at two Canadian management consulting firms. Finlayson holds a Master's degree in Business from Yale University, undergraduate and Master of Arts degrees from the University of British Columbia and a post-graduate diploma in economics from the University of London. He is the author or co-author of two books and more than 35 published articles and book chapters, most of which deal with topics in the fields of international trade, labour markets and Canadian public policy. He currently sits on the Economic Forecast Council to the British Columbia Minister of Finance, the UBC President's Community Advisory Council and the expert advisory group to the BC Progress Board. He also serves on the boards of directors of the Canada West Foundation and the BC Innovation Council.

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John Winter

John Winter is President of the British Columbia Chamber of Commerce. He has considerable experience in the private and non-profit sectors and with government at all levels. His 29-year career in management with Molson Breweries included assignments in British Columbia, Ontario, Alberta, Quebec, Newfoundland and California. He has served as a Director of the Vancouver Board of Trade, on the Board of Tourism Vancouver and on the executive cabinet for the United Way of the Lower Mainland. Winter holds a Bachelor of Commerce from Memorial University and has studied marketing at the University of Western Ontario.

Thomas Simons

Thomas Simons began his career as a Project Engineer at H.A. Simons Ltd., a company his father began in Vancouver. In 1968, he was named President and CEO of the company. Following the acquisition of Simons by Agra Inc. in July 1999, Simons became a member of the company's Board of Directors. He has served on the Board of Governors of the British Columbia Institute of Technology and is a past director of the Vancouver Board of Trade and the British Columbia Trade Development Corporation. He also served on the British Columbia High Technology Strategy Group. He has received honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from the British Columbia Institute of Technology and Simon Fraser University. Simons received the Benefactor of the Year Award from the Council for Resource Development, a North American organization dedicated to increasing the effectiveness of college educations.

Stanley Shapiro

Stanley Shapiro is a retired Professor Emeritus of Marketing and former Dean of Business at Simon Fraser University (SFU). He has taught marketing at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and at McGill University, where he also served as Dean of Management. The author of more than sixty academic publications, he was one of the first Distinguished Fellows selected by the Academy of Marketing Science. Shapiro is a former President of both the McGill and the SFU Faculty Associations. After retiring from SFU in 1999, he taught for four additional years in the "online" graduate diploma of business administration, the management of technology and the business and liberal studies programs. He was also, for six years, a member of the academic council of the Open University of British Columbia. Shapiro holds a PhD and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University.

Don Ramos

Don Ramos is pursuing his PhD in Education in the School of Curriculum Studies at the University of British Columbia. He received his Master of Arts in Communication from Simon Fraser University in January 2001, his Bachelor of Business Administration from Simon Fraser University in August 1993, and also holds degrees in Religious Studies and Music. He has over 20 years' experience in the field of entertainment arts in music and video/film production. Since 1985, he has held educational positions as Project Manager, Instructor, Department Head, Director and Dean of Education. He currently is the Vice president of Education for a Vancouver educational management company.

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Tim McEwan (appointed to the Board November 2007)

Since February 2008, Tim McEwan has served as president and CEO of Initiatives Prince George, a corporation owned by the City of Prince George that is responsible for facilitating economic development in Prince George and Northern B.C. Before this, he was principal of T. M. McEwan Consulting Ltd., a firm providing management and public policy consulting services in Vancouver. McEwan previously served as founding executive director of the B.C. Progress Board, provided key leadership for the B.C. Business Summit and served as director of programs and policy with the Business Council of British Columbia. He holds a master of public administration and a bachelor of arts, both from the University of Victoria.

Non-voting members

Frank Gelin, Executive Director and Co-chair, British Columbia Council on Admissions and Transfer.

The mandate of the British Columbia Council on Admissions and Transfer is to facilitate admission, articulation and transfer arrangements among institutions, public and private, that are members of the B.C. transfer system. The Council provides information and assistance to private institutions that are seeking baccalaureate degree approval and that anticipate articulating their courses for transfer credit. The Council's collaborative approach to the planning and administration of policies, practices and projects helps to ensure an accessible and responsive system.

Jim Wright, Registrar, Private Career Training Institutions Agency

The agency has responsibility under the *Private Career Training Institutions Act* to: provide consumer protection to the students and prospective students of registered institutions; establish standards of quality that must be met by accredited institutions; establish and manage the student training completion fund.

Ruth Wittenberg, Assistant Deputy Minister, Post Secondary Education Division
Ministry of Advanced Education

The Post Secondary Education Division of the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development manages the overall funding and program co-ordination for the public post-secondary education system and provides co-ordination and support to the private post-secondary education system in the province. The division is responsible for implementing the goals outlined in the Ministry's annual service plan.

Appendix 2

Expert Reviewers who Provided Services to the Board April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008

Evan W. Alderson, <i>PhD</i>	Gerry Nixon, <i>PhD</i>
Faith Auton Cuff, <i>PhD</i>	Richard Olesen, <i>BA MA</i>
Greg Banwell, <i>PhD</i>	Dan O'Reilly, <i>MA</i>
Mark Battersby, <i>PhD</i>	JR (Jim) Parker, <i>PhD</i>
P. Gary Bauslaugh, <i>PhD</i>	Greg Peet, <i>BComm</i>
Geoffrey Bird, <i>MSc</i>	Barbara H. Pell, <i>PhD</i>
Dan Brown, <i>PhD</i>	Stacey L. Pigg, <i>PhD</i>
Timothy C. Cheek, <i>PhD</i>	Lawrence Pinfield, <i>PhD</i>
Michael Conlin, <i>FHCIMA</i>	Michael C. Roberts, <i>PhD</i>
Yvon Dandurand, <i>MA</i>	Scot Robertson, <i>PhD</i>
John C. Dill, <i>PhD</i>	Herb J. Rosengarten, <i>PhD</i>
Mark Edwards, <i>PhD</i>	Kathy J. Sanford, <i>EdD</i>
Monique Fouquet, <i>PhD</i>	Jan Selman, <i>MFA</i>
M. Wayne Greene, <i>PhD</i>	John A. Slattery, <i>BA MA MEd</i>
Thomas F. Grieve, <i>PhD</i>	Olav Slaymaker, <i>PhD DSC PGeo</i>
Peter Grimmett <i>PhD</i>	Brock Smith, <i>PhD</i>
Eric Hall, <i>PhD PEng</i>	Duff Sutherland, <i>PhD</i>
Adam Horvath, <i>EdD</i>	Tatiana Teslenko, <i>PhD</i>
Dixie E. Hudson, <i>BID IDEC IES</i>	David Twynam, <i>PhD</i>
Andrew Irvine, <i>PhD</i>	Ilan Vertinsky, <i>PhD</i>
John Lindsay, <i>MCP</i>	John Watson, <i>BSc MBA</i>
Stephen Long, <i>PhD</i>	K. Wayne Welsh, <i>PhD</i>
Horacio J. Marquez <i>PhD PEng</i>	Robert Will, <i>AM PhD</i>
Ian McDougall, <i>M Mus</i>	Roger Wolff, <i>DBA</i>
Lindsay Meredith, <i>PhD</i>	Graeme C. Wynn, <i>FRSC PhD</i>
Ian Mugridge, <i>PhD</i>	Murray Young, <i>PhD</i>
John (Jock) Munro, <i>DBA</i>	

Appendix 3
Degree Programs for Board Review – Received
April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

B.C. Public Institutions

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program</u>
July 2007	Justice Institute of British Columbia	Bachelor of Emergency and Security Management Studies
July 2007	Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Arts, History
July 2007	Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Arts, Minors in Anthropology and Geography
July 2007	Douglas College	Bachelor of Applied Music
July 2007	Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Arts, Major in English
October 2007	Capilano College (Consortium Degree with Douglas College, Vancouver Community College and Langara College).	Bachelor of Performing Arts
October 2007	University College of the Fraser Valley	Bachelor of Arts, Communications Minor
December 2007	British Columbia Institute of Technology	Bachelor of Technology in Ecological Restoration
December 2007	Camosun College	Bachelor of Athletic and Exercise Therapy
January 2008	Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design	Bachelor of Fine Arts
March 2008	Royal Roads University	Doctor of Social Sciences

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**Degree Programs for Board Review – Received
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Private and out-of-province public institutions

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program</u>
July 2007	University of Oregon	Master of Science in Educational Leadership
January 2008	Queen's University	Master of Business Administration
March 2008	Gonzaga University	Master of Counselling
April 2008	New York Institute of Technology	Master of Business Administration

Appendix 4

Degree Programs Exempt from Board Review – Received April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

B.C. Public Institutions

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program</u>
April 2007	Simon Fraser University	Bachelor of Arts in World Literature
May 2007	University of British Columbia Okanagan	Masters of Science and PhD in Environmental Sciences
May 2007	University of British Columbia	Master of Science and PhD in Cell and Developmental Biology
June 2007	University of British Columbia Okanagan	Bachelor of Arts in Cultural Studies
February 2008	University of Victoria	Master of Fine Arts
February 2008	Simon Fraser University	PhD in Gerontology

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**Degree Programs Exempt from Board Review – Received
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Private and Out-of-Province Public Institutions

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program</u>
March 2008	Trinity Western University	Bachelor of Arts in Leadership
March 2008	Trinity Western University	Master of Science in Nursing

Appendix 5

Applications for Use of the Word “University” – Received April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

Private and Out-of-Province Public Institutions

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Institution</u>
July 2007	University of Oregon
January 2008	Queen's University

Appendix 6

Applications Withdrawn

April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

B.C. Public Institutions

<u>Date withdrawn</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Application withdrawn</u>
September 2007	Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Fine Arts, Visual Arts
September 2007	Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Fine Arts, Visual Arts
October 2007	British Columbia Institute of Technology	Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine
November, 2007	Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Arts, Major in Visual Art

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Applications Withdrawn

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Private and Out-of-Province Public Institutions

<u>Date withdrawn</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Application withdrawn</u>
July 2007	Cape Breton University	Application to use the word "university"
July 2007	Cape Breton University	Bachelor of Business Administration
April 2007	City University of Seattle	Bachelors of Science of Business Administration
May 2007	Lansbridge University	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
May 2007	Lansbridge University	Master of Science in Computer Science
August 2007	National Institute of Disability Management and Research	Application to use the word "university"
September 2007	Yorkville University	Master of Arts in Counselling Psychology
September 2007	Yorkville University	Application to use the word "university"
February 2008	World Trade University	International Masters of Business Administration in World Trade

Appendix 7

Recommendations Made to the Minister April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

B.C. Public Institutions

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program/Application</u>	<u>Recommendation and Date</u>
Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Social Work	Recommend Approval: April 23, 2007
Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design	Master of Digital Media (Great Northern Way Campus)	Recommend Approval: April 23, 2007
Royal Roads University	Exempt Status	Recommend Approval: May 28, 2007
Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Arts, Major in Philosophy	Recommend Approval: July 30, 2007
Camosun College	Bachelor of Business Administration (Marketing Communications Management Major and Management & Leadership Major)	Recommend Approval: July 30, 2007
Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Hospitality Management	Recommend Approval: September 10, 2007
Malaspina University College	Bachelor of Arts, Major in Interior Design	Recommend Approval: November 19, 2007
University College of the Fraser Valley	Bachelor of Science (major and minor) in Physical Geography	Recommend Approval: December 17, 2007
British Columbia Institute of Technology	Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering	Recommend Approval: January 21, 2008
Thompson Rivers University	Bachelor of Applied and Interdisciplinary Studies	Recommend Approval: February 25, 2008
Malaspina University College	Master's of Education in Educational Leadership	Recommend Approval: March 31, 2008
Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Arts Major in English	Recommend Approval: March 31, 2008

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Kwantlen University College	Bachelor of Arts Minors in Anthropology and Geography	Recommend Approval: March 31, 2008
Justice Institute of British Columbia	Bachelor of Emergency and Security Management Studies	Recommend Approval: March 31, 2008
Malaspina University College	Masters of Education in Educational Leadership	Recommend Approval: March 31, 2008

Appendix 7 (continued)

**Recommendations Made to the Minister
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Private and Out-of-province Public Institutions

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Program/Application</u>	<u>Recommendation and Date</u>
University of Oregon	Application to use the word "University"	Recommend Approval: September 10, 2007
University of Oregon	Master of Science in Educational Leadership	Recommend Approval: September 10, 2007

Appendix 8

Determination of New Degrees

April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

a) *Determination – new degree*

Date reviewed	Institution	Request
April 23, 2007	North Island College	The Board reviewed North Island College's request for determination of whether a marketing option within the Bachelor of Business Administration constitutes a new degree.
June 25, 2007	Emily Carr Institute of Art & Design (ECIAD)	The Board reviewed Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design's request for determination of whether the reorganization of existing courses into a new major in critical and cultural practice constitutes a new degree within the Bachelor of Fine Art.
September 10, 2007	Sprott-Shaw Community College	The Board reviewed Sprott-Shaw Community College's request for determination of new degree for proposed changes to the existing Bachelor of Business administration (Human Resource Management and Marketing), and the addition of a new generalist stream.
February 25, 2008	British Columbia Institute of Technology	The Board reviewed the British Columbia Institute of Technology's request to change the existing Bachelor of Technology in Geomatics, option in Survey and Mapping, and option in GIS to a Bachelor of Technology in Geomatics and a Bachelor of Technology in Geographic Information Systems.

Appendix 8 (continued)
Determination of New Degrees
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b) Determination - not a new degree

Date reviewed	Institution	Request
April 23, 2007	University College of the Fraser Valley	The Board reviewed the University College of the Fraser Valley's request for determination of whether an extended French minor constitutes a new degree.
July 30, 2007	Malaspina University-College	The Board reviewed Malaspina University-College's request for determination of whether a new minor in languages and cultures within the Bachelor of Science degree constitutes a new degree.
January 21, 2008	Thompson Rivers University/Nicola Valley Institute of Technology	The Board reviewed the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology's request to jointly confer the Bachelor of Social Work with Thompson Rivers University.

Appendix 9

Degree/Credential Name Change April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008

Date Recommended	Institution	Name Change
December 17, 2007	Thompson Rivers University	The Board determined that a change in the name of Thompson Rivers University's Bachelor of Technology in Applied Computing Science to Bachelor of Computing Science did not constitute a new degree.
February 25, 2008	Royal Roads University	The Board determined that the change in the name of Royal Road University's Bachelor of Arts in Applied Communication to Bachelor of Arts in Professional Communication did not constitute a new degree.
March 31, 2008	University of British Columbia	The Board determined that a change in the name of the University of British Columbia's Bachelor of Laws (LLB) to a Juris Doctor (JD) did not constitute a new degree.

**Appendix 10
Change of Consent
April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008**

Date Recommended	Institution	Program	Change
December 17, 2007	City University	Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology	Extension of consent for the Master of Counseling degree.
January 21, 2008	LearningWise Inc. - operating as University Canada West	Bachelor of Commerce	Approval of Bachelor of Commerce to be offered in Singapore
January 21, 2008	LearningWise Inc. - operating as University Canada West	Master of Business Administration	Approval of Master of Business Administration to be offered in Singapore