



Date: 3 December 2020
To: The Board of Governors
From: Council of Senates

Following the confirmation of the Council of Senates email approval of 27 November, 2020 the Council recommends the following action by the Board of Governors (approved by the Council under ss. 37(1)(u) and 38.2(4), transmitted to the Board in compliance with s. 38(1) and requiring Board approval under s. 38(2) of the *University Act*):

Affiliation Agreement

That the Board of Governors concur with the Council of Senates in approving the following:

1. *Amendments to the terms of the Affiliation Agreement between the University of British Columbia and St. Mark's College.*



Date: 20 November 2020

To: Council of Senates

From: Council Executive Committee

Re: Approval Requested – Affiliation Agreements

1. Memorandum of Understanding between UBC and The University of Hong Kong (HKU)
2. Amendments to UBC's Affiliation Agreement between UBC and St. Mark's College (St. Mark's)

Proposals for dual degree partnerships are routinely considered by the Council of Senates under Council Policy C-2: Affiliations with Other Institutions of Learning. The UBC Vancouver (UBC-V) Senate hereby requests your consideration and approval of the following affiliation agreements.

Items for Consideration and Approval

- 1. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between UBC, on behalf of its Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, and The University of Hong Kong (HKU) on behalf of its Faculty of Business and Economics with respect to a dual degree program option.**

The UBC-V Senate approved the dual degree (Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Business Administration) program option with HKU on 27 May 2020. This four-year dual degree with the Faculty of Business and Economics at HKU will offer both Canadian and international students not only an enriched program of study but also the unique opportunity to immerse themselves in two distinct academic, social, and cultural environments at top universities in Asia and North America. Students will be admitted on broad-based principles by a joint admissions committee and must be admissible to both universities. The first and last years of study will be at HKU and the middle two at UBC. This structure enables students to satisfy the individual degree requirements of both degrees at both institutions. Upon successful completion of a total of 145 credits, students will be awarded a Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) from UBC and a Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.) from HKU.

The Council of Senates Executive Committee approved the following motion for circulation to the Council of Senates for approval:

Motion 1:

That the Council of Senates approve and circulate to the Board of Governors, the Memorandum of Understanding between The University of British Columbia, on behalf of the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration and The University of Hong Kong with respect to the dual degree (Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Business Administration) program option.

- 2. Amendments to UBC's Affiliation Agreement between UBC and St. Mark's College**

The UBC-V Senate approved the proposed amendments to the Agreement on 27 May, 2020. The Agreement with St. Mark's College resulting from the proposed amalgamation of St. Mark's College (the Roman Catholic theological college currently affiliated with UBC) and Corpus Christi College (the liberal

arts college operated by St. Mark's but currently a separate legal entity). These amendments repeal the terms of the original 1956 affiliation and re-affiliate St. Mark's College with the University pursuant to the terms of the Statute of the Senate of 18 January 1978 on Affiliation of Theological Colleges. This re-affiliation comes with additional requirements as they pertain to the benefits of the affiliation for students of St. Mark's College studying towards degrees in theology and those studying towards other degrees or programs. In the revised affiliation, St. Mark's will retain the privileges of affiliation for its theological students—including, on an exceptional basis, its undergraduate theological students—but not automatically have such privileges extended to the non-theological students that were previously registered with Corpus Christi College. The Committee notes that the 1978 Statute did not foresee the possibility of undergraduate degrees in theology, and understands that this is still a matter of some discussion within the theological education community; however, as the Province of British Columbia has authorized such a degree for St. Mark's, the Committee supports their inclusion within the revised affiliation.

The Council of Senates Executive Committee approved the following motion for circulation to the Council of Senates for approval:

Motion 2:

That the Council of Senates approves and recommend to the Board of Governors for approval, the amended terms of the Affiliation Agreement between the University of British Columbia and St. Mark's College.

Please contact Gina DeVeaux, Academic Governance Officer at gina.deveaux@ubc.ca with any questions or concerns.

For the Committee,

Dr. Paul Harrison, Chair

Council of Senates Executive Committee.