

## Minutes of the BCCEC Fall 2021 Articulation Meeting

Online via Zoom on October 22, 2021

Chair: Mohd A.

Host: Mike Zastre

Minutes: Ed Knorr, but everyone is welcome to update

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### MINUTES

- See the list of participants and their affiliations, at the bottom of this document.

14:25 Pre-meeting: Networking, mingling, and other informal discussion

14:35 Start of meeting - announcements, etc. - Mike & Mohd

14:40 Ed to take minutes via a Google Doc, others are welcome to edit

#### 14:40 Agenda

- Megan moved to accept; Amirhossein seconded

#### 14:41 Previous Minutes

- Amirhossein moved to accept; Sarah seconded

#### 14:42 Anabella Chun (BCCAT)

- BCCAT / Moodle overview and general info
- Links provided:
  - JAM 2021 <https://www.bccat.ca/articulation/jam>
  - BCCAT 2021 Fall Update  
<https://www.bccat.ca/Media/NEWBCCAT/pubs/Resources/ACUpdate202110.pdf>
- Q & A

14:55 **Institutional Reports** - NOTE: Each institutional report has been uploaded to the BCCAT repository. In most cases below, the articulation representative summarized their respective uploaded report; therefore, you are encouraged to read that report to get the details.

- Camosun College
  - Saryta summarized the report.
- Coast Mountain College
  - Erfan was not able to attend.
- College of New Caledonia
  - Amirhossein summarized the report.
- Columbia College
  - Ken summarized the report.
  - They tentatively plan to go 100% in-person in January. They have a lot of international students who are overseas right now.
- Coquitlam College
  - Megan summarized the report. They're largely online because the students who are most likely to be enrolled at Coquitlam College are still overseas. Coquitlam's focus is just international students. For January, they hope to go to in-person classes, but they want to have some online options.
- College of the Rockies
  - Larry was not able to attend.
- Douglas College CMPT (Science)
  - Mohammad summarized the report.
- Douglas College CSIS (Commerce)
  - Ivan summarized the report.
- Fraser International College
  - Jiang summarized the report.
  - FIC is located on SFU's main campus (Burnaby Mountain).

- FIC provides international students a direct pathway to year two at SFU.
- Students who are successful in Year 1 can move on to Year 2 (GPA dependent).
- Students are from all over the world; but, very few are female students.
- The failure rate is fairly high.
- In introductory programming, the pass rate might be in the 65-70% range.
- Jiang thinks in-person mode (rather than online) would greatly benefit the FIC students.
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
  - Catherine summarized the report.
- North Island College
  - Frank was not able to attend.
- Okanagan College
  - Youry summarized things.
  - CS program in Vernon
  - Pilot programs taking place
  - Planning to hire more faculty for next September, assuming the new programs are approved
- Simon Fraser University
  - Diana summarized the report.
  - UPC = Undergraduate Program Committee
  - Diana is teaching large courses online, and says it's working fine.
  - She is wondering if "blended" is the way to go in the future.
- Thompson Rivers University
  - Mohd summarized the report.
- Trinity Western University
  - Herbert summarized the report.
- UBC - Vancouver
  - Ed and Steve summarized the report.
  - Question from Reza about hybrid vs. in-person. We are largely in-person. Individual courses can offer some online opportunities, including recordings of in-person lectures (via Panopto, including slightly delayed streaming), and the odd synchronous online offering (e.g., if another section of that course is in-person, and support from TAs is given online shortly after the lecture).
- UBC - Okanagan
  - Abdallah was not able to attend.
- University of the Fraser Valley
  - Mandeep summarized things, as follows:
  - They plan to merge the School of Business and the School of Computing.
  - Enrolment is good. Most Fall classes are online. In January, many classes will be online. This is because of the large number of international students they have.
  - They plan to hire more faculty members soon.
- University of Victoria
  - Mike summarized the report.

- They're making a resurgence (soon) in computer graphics.
- Mike listed the first- and second-year textbooks. Diana commented that she really likes Runestone (Interactive version for intro programming Python, and other languages, data structures ... from CS education research people). Catherine said a good online textbook is offered by Tony Gaddis' publisher.
- Vancouver Community College
  - Reza summarized the report.
  - For faculty, they benefit from faculty who are employed in industry. They provide a good hands-on approach that uses up-to-date practices in industry, and students appreciate this.
- Vancouver Island University
  - Sarah summarized the report.

#### 16:20 Spring 2022 Meeting

- Thursday, May 5, 2022, possibly in-person at UBC-V

#### 16:21 WCCCE Update

- Mike reports that the WCCES annual meeting took place in August. There is hope that WCCCE will go ahead in May 2022. It is too early to make a commitment for in-person vs. online.

#### 16:23 Fall 2022 Meeting

- Not sure yet about in-person or online. Tentatively: Friday, Oct. 21, 2022

#### 16:25 Other Business

- Discussion of the whole COVID teaching experience, with different perspectives from many institutions
- Larger institution vs. smaller institutions

#### 16:27 Motion to Adjourn

- Sarah moved to accept

#### 16:28 Meeting Adjourned

### **BCCEC Attendees**

- Amirhossein Hosseinmemar, College of New Caledonia (CNC)

- Anabelle Chun, British Columbia Council on Admissions & Transfer (BCCAT)
- Catherine Maydan, Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU)
- Diana Cukierman, Simon Fraser University (SFU)
- Ed Knorr, University of British Columbia, Vancouver (UBC-V)
- Herbert Tsang, Trinity Western University (TWU)
- Ivan Wong, Douglas College - Computing Studies and Information Systems (CSIS)
- Jiang Ye, Fraser International College (FIC)
- Jim Nastos, Okanagan College (OC)
- Ken Chan, Columbia College
- Mandeep Pannu (University of the Fraser Valley (UFV), and KPU)
- Megan O'Connor (Coquitlam College)
- Mike Zastre (University of Victoria (UVic))
- Mohammad Aboofazeli, Douglas College - Computing Science
- Mohd Abdullah, Thompson Rivers University (TRU)
- Nelson Eng (Douglas College)
- Patrice Belleville (UBC-V)
- Reza Nezami, Vancouver Community College (VCC)
- Sarah Carruthers, Vancouver Island University (VIU)
- Saryta Schaerer (Camosun College)
- Stephen Chiong (Douglas College)
- Steve Wolfman (UBC-V)
- Youry Khmelevsky, Okanagan College (OC)