

Present: Dean Fern Snart, Anna Altmann, Jennifer Branch, Christine Brown, Nicholas Fonseca, Kim Frail, Elizabeth Kreiter, Kyle Marshall, Tami Oliphant, Hanne Pearce, Aman Powar-Grewal, Dinesh Rathi, Toni Samek, Sophia Sherman, Ali Shiri, Dangzhi Zhao

Minutes: Sophia Sherman

- A. Approval of Agenda
Approved. T Samek, D Rathi
- B. Approval of Minutes
Approved. J Branch, T Oliphant
- C. Director's Report
The accreditation review was successfully completed and the Committee on Accreditation granted continued accreditation for seven years, the maximum amount. The next comprehensive review visit is scheduled for spring 2020.
The first cohort of the online MLIS program was admitted for September 2013 with 50 students. A SLIS student won the prestigious Ivy A Thompson Graduate Scholarship. This scholarship is worth \$18,000 and only two are awarded each year to graduate students in the University of Alberta. The University's budget situation is still unclear but Dean Fern Snart is prepared for budget cuts and SLIS will not be affected.
- D. New Business
 1. Adjunct Faculty Committee – Anna Altmann
 2. Changes to LIS 532 – Ali Shiri (attached)
Motion to change the title and calendar description of LIS 532 in the University Calendar from "Cataloguing and Classification" to "Metadata"
Moved by A Shiri, Seconded by T Samek
 3. New Course: LIS 508 - Information Technologies in LIS Environments; addition of LIS 508 as a required course – Anna Altmann (attached)
Motion that a new course, Information Technologies in LIS Environments, be assigned a permanent number (LIS 508); be a required course for all MLIS students; and be placed in the University Calendar.
Moved by A Shiri, Seconded by D Rathi

5. MBA/MLIS Calendar Change – Anna Altmann (attached)
Motion to change the MBA/MLIS program requirements to include a new LIS required course, LIS 508.
Moved by D Rathi, Seconded by H Pearce
6. LIS 599: Directed Study – Anna Altmann (attached)
Motion to change the course weight of LIS 599, Directed Study, from 3 credits to variable.
Moved by T Samek, Seconded by C Brown
7. Online MLIS in the Calendar – Anna Altmann and Jennifer Branch-Mueller (attached)
Motion to change the General Information section for the School of Library and Information Studies to include “The MLIS degree is offered on-campus or completely online”.
Moved by J Branch, Seconded by D Rathi

E. Other

Reception following the meeting celebrated the launching of the online MLIS program and the creation of the Ernie Ingles Prize to be given to the top student in LIS 501 in the online program was announced.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.