

BUSINESS FACULTY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
Monday, June 16, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
In-person, CEDAR 2110

AGENDA

1. Call to Order Ben Kwan 1:00
2. * Approval of Agenda
3. * Approval of Minutes, May 12, 2025
4. New Business
 - 4.1. [Draft KPU Climate Strategy](#) Brett Favaro 1:05
 - 4.2. Course-level Decision Christina Shorthouse 1:25
[PRLN 2010: Social Media for Public Relations - Changes to Learning Outcomes and Course Description](#)
MOTION: Motion to approve the changes to PRLN 2010 as presented.
 - 4.3. * Proposal to discontinue the Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Management and Services (TMAS) Program Abhilash Nambudiri 1:35
MOTION: Motion to recommend to Senate the proposal to discontinue the TMAS program in accordance with KPU policy [AC10](#)
 - 4.4. Future Master's Programming at KPU David Burns 2:30
5. Faculty Committee Reports
 - 5.1. Curriculum Ulrich Paschen 1:50
 - 5.2. Nominations Richard Wong 1:55
 - 5.3. SCEQ Azadeh Khoshaien 2:00
6. Senate and Senate Committee Reports
 - 6.1. Senator's Report Hannah Celinski / Judy Benevides 2:05
7. Chair's Report Landon Kleis / Ben Kwan 2:10
8. Dean's Report Heather Harrison 2:20
9. Adjournment

Proposal to discontinue Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Management and Services (TMAS) program

- i. All impacted credentials and specific discipline or field of study
 - Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Management and Services (TMAS)
- ii. Location(s) of the program
 - CIVIC Plaza campus
- iii. Faculty, Department, or School offering the program
 - Melville School of Business
- iv. Anticipated final date of discontinuance
 - January 1st 2026 will be the date of discontinuance of the TMAS program
- iv. Reason for discontinuance of the program
 - **Lack of enrolment demand** – Recent changes in government regulations not allowing post graduate work permit for students of this program coupled with inability for the mature students to process spousal visas along student visa has reduced the demand for this program considerably.
 - The following indicates a significant reduction in demand for this program from Fall 2024 to Fall 2025. A reduction of 95% in the applicants to Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Management and Services program.

Fall 2025	Applied: as percentage of previous two terms	Fall 2024	Fall 2023
		5%	3%

Applied											
Application Month	Fall 2025 Applied	% Total Applied	Qualified	% Qualified	Fall 2024 Applied	% Total Applied	Qualified	% Qualified	Fall 2023 Applied	% Total Applied	Qualified
⊕ 1. Oct	2	29%	2	100%	20	14%	17	85%	84	40%	71
⊕ 2. Nov					24	17%	20	83%	51	24%	33
⊕ 3. Dec	2	29%	2	100%	23	16%	19	83%	46	22%	32
⊕ 4. Jan	2	29%	2	100%	25	17%	20	80%	18	9%	9
⊕ 5. Feb	1	14%	1	100%	11	8%	11	100%	9	4%	1
⊕ 6. Mar					11	8%	9	82%			
⊕ 7. Apr					15	10%	14	93%			
⊕ 8. May					12	8%	10	83%			
⊕ 9. Jun					1	1%	1	100%	1	0%	1
⊕ 10. Jul					1	1%	1	100%			
Total	7	100%	7	100%	143	100%	122	85%	209	100%	147

- vi. Plan for phasing-out of program:

- **Steps that will be taken to consult with faculty and staff** – Department of OTM which houses TMAS program has already been consulted. It is clear that the drastic reduction in demand make the continuance of the program impossible under current circumstances. However, the Department is currently working on a new but related program “IT Project Management” which will be PGWP eligible. The decision to discontinue the TMAS program will also be communicated to the student advisor team subsequent to approval of discontinuance.
- **Steps taken to consult with students regarding phasing out** – Students will be notified of the discontinuance of the program by email and requested to meet with student advisors to plan for their completion of program.
- **Steps that will be taken to ensure students in the program have the opportunity to complete the program** – MSB will offer course sections for all students to complete the program.

Courses	No: of sections (Fall 25)	No: of sections (Spring 26)	No: of sections (Summer 26)
TMAS 5100	1	0	Only guided studies
TMAS 5110	1	0	Only guided studies
TMAS 5120	1	0	Only guided studies
TMAS 5130	1	1	Only guided studies
TMAS 5140	1	1	Only guided studies
TMAS 5150	1	1	Only guided studies

Wherever running a section is not deemed viable due to enrollment, MSB will offer guided study options for affected students to facilitate their completion.

- **Steps that will be taken to ensure consultation with other impacted departments, Faculties, and units** – Currently intake for Fall 2025 has been suspended, and the International Students office, Future Students office have been advised of the intention to permanently discontinue the program. Promotion of the program has been suspended.
- **Impact on and/or reorganization of curriculum in cognate disciplines** – TMAS has 11 courses.
 - BUSM 5100 Financial and Managerial Accounting for Managers (3 credits)
 - BUSM 5110 Managing Dynamic Teams (3 credits)
 - BUSM 5120 Project Management (3 credits)
 - BUSM 5130 Quantitative Methods for Business Management (3 credits)
 - BUSM 5140 Negotiations and Stakeholder Communications (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5100 Business Planning and Performance for Technical Business (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5110 Managing Technical Business Growth (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5120 Business Law for Technical Management and Services (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5130 Consulting and Client Management Practices (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5140 Sustainable Operations (3 credits)
 - TMAS 5150 New Product and Services Development (3 credits)

5 courses coded as BUSM 5000 level and 6 courses coded as TMAS 5000 level. As the Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Management and Services (TMAS) is discontinued, courses coded TMAS will be discontinued after last student graduates. BUSM 5000 level courses are required by two other programs; Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Operations and Supply Chain Management and Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Human Resource Management and hence will

continue. We anticipate that enrollment in these two other programs should increase due to targeted marketing efforts as well as the creation of needs-based bursaries. In this way we hope that the to mitigate some of the impact the discontinuation of TMAS program will have on BUSM 5000 level courses.

- **Timeline of activities**

- i. Program Advisory Committees consultation – *April 28th 2025*
- ii. Faculty Council Approval - *Dates to be populated*
- iii. Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities [SSC APP] approval - *Dates to be populated*
- iv. Senate Standing Committee on the University Budget [SSC UB] approval - *Dates to be populated*

vii. Name, title, phone number and email address of the institutional contact person in case more information is required

- Heather Harrison, Dean, *Pro Tem* – Melville School of Business; Phone - 604.599.3438; e-mail - heather.harrison@kpu.ca

viii. Potential legal implications as a result of the program discontinuance

- Nothing anticipated

ix. Endorsement by the Provost