

ACAT Studio Based Articulation Committee

Visual Art and Design Break Out Group

September 29, 2015

Hotel Alma, University of Calgary

Attendees: Brian Rusted (U of C), Richard Brown (ACAD), Helen Evans Warren (MRU); D. West-Spencer (U of C; minutes)

Via teleconference: Sherri Chisan (Blue Quills), Leslie Sharpe (Grant MacEwan), Eric Dohei (ACAT)

1. Welcome and Introductions

1.1 Institutional Updates

Chisan (Blue Quills): Chisan described a 'cultural camp' hosted by Blue Quills; how other types of activities (such as a pipe ceremony) and traditional art-making (bead working, carving) are important and unique to their institution.

Evans Brown (MRU): Evans Warren spoke about transfer credits and portfolios; the need/attempts to link to 3 other institutions; they have a new degree coming on board

Brown (ACAD): Brown noted that ACAD is trying to do better job handling transfer students & credits; credits

2 prereqs at the 200 level with 2 core classes in each semester; In their final year, students do a paper.

Sharpe (GMU): Sharpe talked about Grant MacEwan's 2year degree program; there is a lot of transferring in and out of the program and they are focussing on transferring; most of their? Students do not do (or do not complete?) a B.F.A. They have a new program next year; they are looking at redesigning courses to 3 credits which would allow for easier transferability; they are focussing on professorial practise.

Rusted (UofC): Rusted described recent events/changes in his department including a curriculum update; an external review; the Honours program is being reinstated; new courses being added next year – the department would be experiencing major changes in the near future. The interdisciplinary nature of some classes may allow for more transferability with other institutions. Indigenous studies has had recent support from U of C administration (and provincial government). Will consider creation of a topic course to coincide with Cultural Camp Week at Blue Quills.

2. Transfer Course Discussions

Chisan (Blue Quills): Chisan described MRU's indigenous studies initiatives (includes a minor); this could present opportunities to develop relationship with Blue Quills; will provide list of Blue Quills courses (to?)

3. ACAT Update

Dohei (ACAT): Will find/distribute by-program/by-course agreements; will confirm the next meeting date as well as teleconferencing information

4. Identification of Next Meeting Date/New Agenda Items

5. Adjournment

Discussion regarding transfer equivalency at and across the institutions.