

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
REQUEST FOR DECISION

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**PRESENTED BY:** Terry Wotherspoon; Chair, Academic Programs  
Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** February 15, 2018

**SUBJECT:** **Admissions Qualifications Change –  
Kanawayihetaytan Askiy diplomas in Aboriginal  
Lands Governance and Aboriginal Resource  
Management**

**DECISION REQUESTED:**

*It is recommended:*

*That Council approve the change in admissions  
qualifications for Kanawayihetaytan Askiy diplomas in  
Aboriginal Lands Governance and Aboriginal  
Resource Management, effective May 2018.*

**PURPOSE:**

Changes to admissions qualification require approval by University Council.

**CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND:**

The current admissions requirements for the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy (KA) diplomas in Aboriginal Lands Governance and Aboriginal Resource Management are the completion of the current KA Certificate with a minimum average of 60% OR the completion of the former Indigenous Peoples Resource Management (IPRM) certificate and the completion of INDG 107. The KA certificate replaced the IPRM certificate and the most notable difference was the inclusion of INDG 107 in the KA Certificate.

Applicants holding the IPRM certificate are currently required to complete INDG 107 prior to applying for a KA diploma program. As IPRM certificate holders have completed their program, there is no clear option for them to enroll in INDG 107 without being admitted to an undergraduate program. To eliminate the need for applicants to the KA diploma to first gain admission to a different college to complete INDG 107, the College of Agriculture and Bioresources proposes to allow IPRM certificate holders to complete INDG 107 within their first year in the program.

**FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED:**

University Senate will be asked to confirm this decision at their April 2018 meeting.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Proposal for Academic or Curricular Change for Revisions to the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Diploma Admissions Qualifications

University Council  
**Academic Programs Committee**  
**Request for Decision**

**Decision Requested:**

*It is recommended:*

That the Academic Programs Committee approve changes to the admission requirements for the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy (KA) diplomas in Aboriginal Lands Governance and Aboriginal Resource Management.

**Purpose:**

The current admission requirements to the KA diplomas are completion of the 21 cu KA Certificate with a minimum cumulative weighted average of 60%, OR completion of the former 18 cu Indigenous Peoples Resource Management (IPRM) certificate (which was replaced by the KA certificate) and completion of INDG 107 with a final grade of at least 60%. When the KA certificate was introduced to replace the IPRM certificate, the most notable difference was the inclusion of INDG 107.3 in the KA certificate.

The requirement for IPRM certificate graduates to complete INDG 107.3 before entering the diploma program has created unanticipated registration issues. Specifically, because IPRM graduates are inactive due to graduation, they have no clear option to enroll in INDG 107.3 without first being accepted into an undergraduate program. No AgBio option exists, so IPRM graduates must first be admitted to the College of Arts and Science to complete INDG 107.3, and then re-apply to the College of AgBio Kanawayihetaytan Askiy diploma program. To eliminate an unnecessary step in the admission process and reduce confusion, we propose changing the admission requirements for the KA diploma programs to allow graduates of the IPRM Certificate to be admitted on the condition that they complete INDG 107.3 within the first year of their program.

**Description:**

Current admission requirements:

Completion of the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate with a minimum cumulative weighted average of 60%, OR completion of the Indigenous Peoples Resource Management certification and completion of INDG 107 with a final grade of at least 60%.

Proposed revision to admission requirements:

Completion of the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate with a minimum cumulative weighted average of 60%, OR completion of the Indigenous Peoples Resource Management (IPRM) certificate with a minimum cumulative weighted average of 60%. Students accepted with an IPRM certificate are required to complete INDG 107.3 within the first year of their program.



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## Proposal for Academic or Curricular Change

### PROPOSAL IDENTIFICATION

**Title of proposal: Revisions to the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Diploma Admission Qualifications**

Degree(s): Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Diploma in Aboriginal Lands Governance  
Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Diploma in Aboriginal Resource Management

Field(s) of Specialization:

Level(s) of Concentration: Undergraduate

Option(s):

Degree College: Agriculture and Bioresources

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Proposed date of implementation: May 2019

### Proposal Document

Please provide information which covers the following sub topics. The length and detail should reflect the scale or importance of the program or revision. Documents prepared for your college may be used. Please expand this document as needed to embrace all your information.

#### 1. Academic justification:

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## **2. Admissions**

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## **3. Description of the program**

The KA diploma programs build on the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate and prepare students to become land managers in their communities and to provide leadership in local, provincial, and national settings. The program teaches students the skills required for future employment as land managers as well as the scientific and traditional knowledge required for research and decision-making. The Diploma in Aboriginal Lands Governance provides students with a broad background in governance, management, administration and political science as they relate to Aboriginal communities. The Diploma in Aboriginal Resource Management provides students with a broad background in resource management for Aboriginal communities.

### **Consultation**

We have consulted with our College of Agriculture and Bioresources Undergraduate Affairs Committee and Faculty Council, as well as with the Registrar's Office and Admissions and Transfer Credit.

## **4. Budget**

No added resources are needed for this change. No changes in the budget of any College or Department are required for this change.

## College Statement

Please provide here or attach to the online portal, a statement from the College which contains the following:

- Recommendation from the College regarding the program
- Description of the College process used to arrive at that recommendation
- Summary of issues that the College discussed and how they were resolved

## Related Documentation

At the online portal, attach any related documentation which is relevant to this proposal to the online portal, such as:

- Excerpts from the College Plan and Planning Parameters
- SPR recommendations
- Relevant sections of the College plan
- Accreditation review recommendations
- Letters of support
- Memos of consultation

It is particularly important for Council committees to know if a curriculum changes are being made in response to College Plans and Planning Parameters, review recommendations or accreditation recommendations.

**Consultation Forms** At the online portal, attach the following forms, as required

### Required for all submissions:

- Consultation with the Registrar form
- Complete Catalogue entry, if proposing a new program, or excerpt of existing of existing program with proposed changes marked in red

### Required for all new courses:

- New Course Proposal forms
- Calendar-draft list of new and revised courses

### Required if resources needed:

- Information Technology Requirements form
- Library Requirements form
- Physical Resource Requirements form
- Budget Consultation form