



Student Evaluation Committee (SEC)

APPROVED

Monday, November 27th, 2023 2:00-4:00 PM

Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Drs. S. Anderson, G. Bendiak, J. Desy (chair), A. Harvey, J. Haws, C. Hutchison, K. McLaughlin, B. Meatherall (for Dr. K. Busche), M. Mintz, K. Nelson, S. Weeks, L. Willetts, Mr. M. Bondok, Ms. Y. Burton, Ms. S-A Facchini, Mr. S. Ivaturi, Mr. V. Joe, Mr. J. Kreutz, N. Mannani, K. Martin, D. Menesho, Ms. K. O'Donnell, Mr. M. Paget, Ms. A. Randhawa, Mr. H. Shah

Regrets: Drs. K. Busche, E. Cheng, M. Davis, Z., Goodarzi, K. Hecker (sabbatical), D. Miller, C. Naugler, M. Powell, T. Wong, T. Wu, Mr. M. Bondok, Ms. K. Fu, Ms. S. Leskosky, Ms. S. Shah, Mr. M. Sobczak, S. Tai

Call to Order

The meeting was conducted via Zoom and was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Dr. J. Desy.

1. **Approval of SEC Minutes (September 25, 2023) and Meeting Agenda** – The SEC Minutes from September 25th, 2023 as well as today's meeting Agenda were presented by Dr. Desy. There were no additions, revisions, etc.

Motion: Mr. M. Paget **Seconded:** Dr. J. Haws

All in Favor - Motion Approved

2. **Standing Items**

- 2.1 **Committee Updates**

Pre-Clerkship: Dr. Weeks explained that PCC (Pre-Clerkship Committee for the Legacy Curriculum) has not met recently. There will be a PCC meeting this coming January to review course reports and feedback. RPCC is co-running at the same time as PCC. RPCC is meeting regularly (including the summer months). Dr. Weeks reported that, in general, things are going well with RIME - students and faculty are doing well noting that there are still things that we can continue to work on, such as ongoing efforts around faculty development, continuing to fill some of the PCE roles, as well as the constant messaging that were trying to deliver in timeliness content of upload. Dr. Weeks noted that it has been a challenge to get content reviewed and uploaded in a timely way. Dr. Weeks reported that they continue to strategize how to best have content in advance for students and facilitators.

Clerkship: Dr. B. Meatherall joined our SEC meeting filling in for Dr. K. Busche as he was unable to attend today. Nothing specific was passed along to Dr. Meatherall from Dr. Busche to bring up at today's SEC meeting. Dr. Meatherall offered that if a committee member has

a question, she would pass it on to Dr. Busche.

UMEC: An update was not given at today's SEC meeting as Dr. Naugler was unable to attend.

2.2 Reports

Student Reports:

Class of 2024: The student representatives from the Class of 2024 were unable to attend today's SEC meeting.

Class of 2025: Mr. V. Joe introduced the two new exam representatives from the Class of 2026, Mr. Daniel Menesho and Mr. Nojan Mannani. Mr. Joe reported that his class is very excited to start Clerkship in January. As well, he gave a shout-out to the evaluation team for releasing the Course 6 midterm exam marks early. Mr. Joe commented that his class was inquiring whether it is possible for them to receive final course 6 grades before the winter holidays. Ms. K. Martin explained that the examiners and the evaluation team are involved in four solid days of OSCEs during the time period after the Course 6 exam and before winter holidays.

Mr. J. Kreutz commented that the class of 2026 had questions regarding what the Clerkship exams will look like. Dr. Desy explained that the Clerkship exams are very similar to the Pre-Clerkship exams – they are done at the end of the Clerkship rotation. The exam is a summative on that rotation (there is a mandatory formative exam that is mandatory and has to be completed before you complete the Clerkship exam). Clerkship exams are scheduled every two weeks. The style of the Clerkship exam will be familiar to the Class of 2025.

Dr. Harvey requested that Mr. Joe and Mr. Kreutz remind their class to start doing the EPA's early so that students avoid the end-of-Clerkship rush of trying to get all of the thresholds before graduation.

Mr. H. Shah reported that the class is worried that if they fail the Course 6 exam (as well as rewrite) and they have to repeat the year, how would this work since there is no longer a legacy curriculum after the class of 2025. Dr. Desy explained if a student from the class of 2025 has to repeat the year, the Review Director, Dr. Patrick Lee, will help put together a year formulated for that specific student that would be a unique educational experience filling in the gaps of the areas that the student needs to work on. Dr. Weeks added that it would be looking at where the student's gaps of knowledge are and creating a program that they could start immediately then having an assessment that confirms that they've reached the competencies needed to move on to Clerkship.

Mr. V. Joe reported that he submitted a grant application for the Students' Union Quality Money for Pre-Clerkship MCC Preparatory Exams – this would give Pre-Clerks a way to measure their quality of education by gauging how they would do each December of their Pre-Clerkship year (six months then eighteen months into med school). The grant is currently in the process of going through the Students' Union. Mr. Joe thanked Drs. Desy, Weeks, Harvey and Mr. Paget for their letters of support. Mr. Joe will update the SEC if the grant is approved. Dr. Desy thanked Mr. Joe for all of his hard work and spearheading this initiative for the incoming class next year.

Class of 2026: Mr. S. Ivaturi reported that the class of 2026 just completed their Unit 3 exam

and he informed members that a unit post exam survey was released to the class for student feedback. The class is currently in Unit 4 and Mr. Ivaturi reported that some students have expressed concern regarding the Unit 4 exam – wondering if there will be a unit exam and a cumulative block exam, or will there only be a unit exam. Dr. Desy explained that the Unit 4 exam is not cumulative – it is the same structure as all of the other unit exams (heavily weighted towards Unit 4 with a small percentage weighted towards the earlier units). As well, it will be a shorter exam because Unit 4 is a shorter unit. Dr. Desy also explained that there will not be a separate exam that is cumulative; however, there will be an Associate Dean’s exam which is a formative exam that is cumulative at the end of Block 1 (in the New Year).

Mr. Ivaturi asked for any information regarding formative OSCE prep. Dr. Desy informed members that the formative OSCE experience will be set up by Clinical Skills, class feedback regarding the upcoming OSCE can be passed along to the appropriate people who will have specific information on dates/times of the formative experience. With regard to the Summative OSCE, an orientation will be given by the Anatomy, Clinical Skills and the Assessment teams (this will take place next week).

As well, the students from the Class of 2026 would like to meet with Drs. Desy and Bendiak. Mr. Ivaturi will email Drs. Desy and Bendiak some date/time options so they can set up a meeting with the class.

Academic Technologies – Mr. Paget reported that Dr. Desy and her team have been working hard on building up the clinical presentation associations in Dolphin. Mr. Paget explained that after many years of work with the course leads there is a huge Legacy library of questions that are associated with clinical presentations. With regard to RIME, the academic technology team and the evaluation teams are working together to build a formative exam (ADT Exam) based on the clinical presentations taught in RIME so far. This will get released at the start of Block 2.

Dr. Desy noted that the class of 2026 will be updated with the ADT timeline once the exam is created, she noted that it will be at the end of each block.

Evaluation Team – Ms. K. Martin reported that the final MCQ of the Legacy curriculum will take place next week. As well, the OSCE season is next month – December is a very busy month.

Dr. Desy gave kudos to the evaluation team for running two consecutive assessment programs for the past six months.

3. Old Business/Updates:

- a) **ADT Exams** – This was discussed by Mr. Paget in the Academic Technologies update.
- b) **Student Research Portal** - <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/mdprogram/faculty/scholarly-activity-advertisement-request>

Dr. Desy followed up from the last SEC meeting regarding ways to try and collect research opportunities for medical students. A portal has been put in place (see link above). Dr. Desy explained that she and her team are in the process of disseminating this portal within the university. This is a method that if preceptors have a project that a student can work on (not necessarily

medical education) they can submit an advertisement to show the students, and it specifically asks them questions around how many medical students they could involve in the project, what is the time commitment of the project and what are the skills required. Dr. Desy reviewed the portal (link) with the committee. The plan is to put the portal on OSLEP. Dr. Hutchison asked how this will be communicated to the Faculty. Dr. Desy reported that this will be emailed to the various institutes as well as the preceptors within the UME. Dr. Desy asked if anyone has suggestions for other ways to get the information out that would be helpful. Dr. Hutchison requested to send it out to Department Heads.

- c) **SEC TOR** – Dr. Desy reviewed the SEC TOR indicating that there are a few positions available. The OHMES Representative position will be deleted from the TOR. Dr. Kent Hecker (currently the OHMES Representative) will be reassigned to the Faculty Evaluation Advisor position. As well, there are two Pre-Clerkship/Clerkship Representatives positions that need to be filled. Dr. Desy has asked members (specifically the students) if they know of any Faculty members involved with RIME who would be interested in the SEC to let her know. Dr. Desy noted that it would be beneficial to add a Health Equity Representative to our TOR, asking members that if they know a Faculty member who might be interested. Once the three available positions are filled, Dr. Desy will bring the TOR back to the SEC (January, 2024) for approval.

4. New Business:

Cumulative Unit 8 and 12 examinations (Dr. G. Bendiak)

Dr. Bendiak explained what the RIME Unit exams currently looks like and how the cumulative nature of the content works. Dr. Bendiak reported that the evaluation team started to look ahead to Unit 8 because it is very different from the other RIME Units (Unit 8 is a much shorter unit and the sessions will be relooking at material that has already been covered in RIME). Since Unit 8 will be a review of material that has already been covered, the idea of whether the final unit exam should be cumulative (a balanced representation of Units 5, 6, 7 and 8) - Dr. Bendiak asked for members thoughts on that idea. Following a discussion, Dr. Desy asked if the students from the Class of 2026 would like to take this back to their class before SEC members vote. Mr. S. Ivaturi suggested that it would be helpful if Drs. Desy and Bendiak discuss this when they meet with the Class of 2026 in the coming week. The class could vote on how the VP of Academics would vote at the SEC meeting after they meet with Drs. Desy and Bendiak. Following a class vote, a proposal could be made at the next SEC meeting.

The SEC meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.