# C.48 Program and Course Changes

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## **POLICY**

Nunavut Arctic College will develop and maintain a process for regular review and update of program and course curriculum.

### **PRINCIPLES**

- Nunavut Arctic College is committed to maintain high standards of educational excellence.
- 2. The College recognizes that post-secondary learning takes place in an increasingly complex world where knowledge increases at a rapid pace and that College programs and courses must reflect these changes.
- 3. College program and course content must be consistently and regularly revised to ensure each student has the opportunity to learn the latest theories and skills.

## **PROCEDURE**

- 1. Nunavut Arctic College ensures that program and course curriculum are reviewed and updated on an annual basis and maintained electronically in the Curriculum Management System (CMS).
- 2. Workflow for the Revision of Non-credit courses is as follows:
  - i. Initiated by Program Director as a request in the CMS
  - ii. Reviewed and approved by Curriculum Committee
- 3. Workflow for the revision of Credit courses follows two paths depending on the level of change, Minor or Major:
  - a) A major course change is any change to the described learning outcomes or evaluation criteria. All other changes are minor changes. Workflow for a Major Course Change is as follows:
    - i. Initiated by the Program Director as a request in the CMS.
    - ii. Reviewed by the Curriculum Committee
    - iii. Approved by the Curriculum Committee or sent back to the Initiator for revision.

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- b) Workflow for a Minor course change is as follows:
  - i. Initiated by Senior Program Instructor
  - ii. Reviewed and approved by the Program Director
- 4. Changes to the content of Programs are also classified as Minor or Major Changes: any change to the core/elective balance is a Major Change.
  - a) Workflow for a Major Program change is as follows:
    - i. Initiated by Program Director as a request in the CMS
    - ii. Reviewed by Curriculum Committee
    - iii. Recommended by Curriculum Committee
    - iv. Approved by the Board of Governors
  - b) Workflow for a Minor Program Change:
    - i. Initiated by the Program Director as a request in the CMS.
    - ii. Reviewed by the Curriculum Committee
    - iii. Approved by the Curriculum Committee or sent back to the Initiator for revision.
  - 5. The most recently approved program and course outlines in the CMS will be used for instruction. No other program or course outline bearing the name and / or number is to be used.

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