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This issue reports the decisions taken or ratified by the BGSR at its meeting of February 06, 2014, and soon thereafter.

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The Board has approved:

FORMS ;

Certificate of Completion (SGSR-12) Form

- The amendments to the [Certificate of Completion Form](#). You can now download a copy from the School for Graduate Studies and Research's website. To do so click on the hyperlink above.

New Taught Graduate Course Proposal Template

- A new [Taught Graduate Course Proposal Template](#). To access this form from our website, click on the hyperlink above.

PROGRAMMES ;

:: AT THE MONA CAMPUS

EMBA/ MBA/ DipG in Business Administration & MBM programmes

- The *revision* of course offerings for the **Executive Master in Business Administration, Master in Business Administration, Diploma in Business Administration** and the **Master in Business Management**. These revisions are to be implemented in May 2014.

MPhil/ MA/ DipG in Linguistics programmes

- The *revision* of the course offerings for the **Master of Philosophy, Master of Arts** and the **Diploma in Linguistics** programmes. These revisions are to be implemented in the academic year 2013-2014.

DM in Plastic Surgery

- The *introduction* of the **Doctor of Medicine (DM) in Plastic Surgery**, with effect from July 2014.

MA Teaching Part I - Single Virtual University Space

- The **Master of Arts in Teaching Part I** to be delivered via the Single Virtual University Space (SVUS), with effect from Semester II 2013/2014.

:: AT THE ST. AUGUSTINE CAMPUS

MSc in Manufacturing Engineering and Management

- The request for a name change from MSc in Manufacturing Engineering to **MSc in Manufacturing Engineering and Management** as well as the *revision* of course offerings for the programme, with effect from September 2014.

DipG in Planning and Development

- A new **Diploma in Planning and Development** for a duration of 5 years, with effect from June 2013.

The Board has approved:

POLICIES & REGULATIONS ;

New Policy and Procedure for the Examination of MPhil and Doctoral Theses

A new [Policy and Procedure for Examination of MPhil and Doctoral Theses](#). This new policy will exclude Supervisors of MPhil and Doctoral students from serving as Examiners of their students' theses, and will apply to all students who submit their thesis for examination as of February 26, 2014.

Amendment to Regulations - Section 1 Clause 45 (1.45)

- The *amendment* of 1.45 of the *Regulations for Graduate Diplomas and Degrees*:

A candidate registered for the MPhil degree who wishes to upgrade his or her registration to the PhD may apply after a period of one year full-time, or two years part-time, from the date of initial registration, **and should complete the upgrade of registration by the end of three years full-time, or five years part-time, from the date of initial registration. The candidate must have the support of the Supervisor and the relevant Head of Department and have given evidence of having the qualifications necessary for writing a thesis for the PhD.**

Amendment to Regulations - Section 1 Clause 46 (1.46)

- The amendment of 1.46 of the *Regulations for Graduate Diplomas and Degrees*:

A candidate who is registered for a taught Master's degree may apply after a period of one Semester for transfer of registration to the MPhil if, in the opinion of the Head of Department, the candidate has given evidence of having the qualifications necessary for writing the thesis for the MPhil. **A candidate registered for the MPhil/PhD programme who wishes to pursue a Taught Masters degree shall withdraw from the MPhil/PhD, without penalty, and apply for registration in a taught Master's programme.**

Amendment to Regulations - Section 3 Clause 7 (3.7)

- The amendment of 3.7 of the *Regulations for Graduate Diplomas and Degrees*:

The regulations applicable to examination of theses shall not apply to:

(a) research papers or project reports which constitute 25% or less of the programme credit rating. These shall be examined as follows:

- (i) ...
- (ii) ...
- (iii) ...
- (iv) ...
- (v) ...

(b) clinical research projects. Examination of these shall be governed by the *Regulations for Postgraduate Clinical Programmes*.

The Board has endorsed:

HONORARY FELLOWS ;

Mr. Dennis M. Walcott

- The appointment of Mr. Dennis Walcott, Former Chancellor of the New York Department of Education as **Honorary Distinguished Fellow** to the School for Graduate Studies & Research at the UWI. Mr. Walcott is "...expected to assist the University, *inter alia*, with establishing a presence in New York City".