

**EXCERPTS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT'S ACADEMIC COUNCIL (VPAC)
PLANNING MEETING NOTES
Friday, September 9, 2011
Boardroom, New Westminster Campus**

The following items were extracted from the VPAC Planning Meeting Notes

4. BSN Admission Requirements

Pam spoke to this item. She confirmed that a letter grade will be added to the chart provided by the curriculum committee.

After discussion, VPAC felt there should be greater flexibility with the Admissions Requirements and more course equivalents would be need to be decided by the Chair of the BSN. Discussions will need to be held with the Registrar's Office with regard to course equivalents and the distinction made between substitutions and equivalencies. An initial list should be created for admission clerks which can then be populated whenever a new equivalent is added by the Chair.

Pam will take VPAC suggestions back to the Curriculum Committee meeting on September 12.

6. Applied Bachelor's Degree in Aviation and Psychology – Concept Paper

John Higenbottam advised that the program will be offered through a partnership involving Douglas College with Montair Aviation Ltd and Pitt Meadows Regional Airport for a 4 year open enrolment program. One new upper level course will need to be developed, Aviation Psychology/Human Factors. Work skills will be provided by Pitt Meadows Airport and the academic instruction will be offered at David Lam Campus. This credential will enable a student to obtain an air transport rating or to work as a flight instructor.

Airlines and the Military require that pilots have a degree and this also enables them to transition into ground jobs more successfully if a pilot loses his/her medical certificates. This degree will be flexible for people with prior flying experience.

VPAC agreed this was an interesting concept and were in support.