

**Health Studies, BHS and Health Policy and Management, MA and PhD, Faculty of Health**

**Cyclical Program Review – 2005 - 2013**

**Final Assessment Report and Implementation Plan**

**Reported to Joint-Committee on Quality Assurance: November 2015**

**Program description:**

The School of Health Management and Policy offer the following programs in the in Health Studies:  
 Bachelor of Health Studies, Specialized Honours, Health Policy (stream)  
 Bachelor of Health Studies, Specialized Honours, Health Management (stream)  
 Bachelor of Health Studies, Specialized Honours, Health Informatics (stream)  
 Bachelor of Health Studies, Honours  
 Bachelor of Health Studies, 90 credit degree  
 Health Informatics Certificate

At the graduate level the MA and PhD in Health offer one specialized field in Health Policy and Equity. The PhD admitted its first students in 2009.

Program	New Registrations (heads) 2013	Enrolment FTES 2013	Degrees Awarded 2013
Health Studies	329	985	93 (Hons) 75 (90 credit) 7 certificates
MA	10	12	9
PhD	4	19	0

**Reviewers appointed by Vice Provost Academic:**

Gail Donner, Professor Emeritus, Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto  
 Lynn McIntyre, Professor, Dept. of Community Health Sciences and Associate Scientific Director, O’Brien Institute for Public Health, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary  
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**Site Visit: September 18 and 19, 2014**

During a two day site visit the reviewers met with senior university administration and School of Health Policy and Management [SHPM] Undergraduate and graduate program directors and former Acting and incoming SHPM Chairs. The reviewers spoke with the Dean via teleconference. Insights were provided through meetings with two representatives of the Library, full-time and contract faculty for the undergraduate program and graduate faculty. The reviewers also had several opportunities to meet and speak with undergraduate and graduate students.

**Outcome:** The Joint-Committee on Quality Assurance concluded that the Decanal response addressed the many of the reviewers’ recommendations. A follow-up report from the graduate and undergraduate programs will be due in May 2017 to outline progress made towards the recommendations and plan development noted in this Final Assessment Report.



## **Summary**

The Health Policy and Management programs use a variety of strategies and learning technologies to deliver the courses and meet the desired learning outcomes. Students at the graduate level come from a rich array of backgrounds and complete the program in good time. The Dean's implementation plan focuses on faculty complement and on space for faculty members and students; some of these initiatives are well under way.

Alice J Pitt, Vice-Provost Academic  
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