

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM REVIEW

### REVIEW SUMMARY FOR

## DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL AND POULTRY SCIENCE

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### **(1) REVIEW DETAILS**

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| <b>Unit Reviewed:</b>           | <b><i>Department of Animal and Poultry Science</i></b>   |
| <b>Programs Reviewed:</b>       | <i>Bachelor of Science – Animal Bioscience<br/>Bachelor of Science in Agriculture – Animal Science<br/>Master of Science – Animal and Poultry Science<br/>Doctor of Philosophy – Animal and Poultry Science</i>  |
| <b>Review Team Members:</b>     | <b><i>Marina (Nina) von Keyserlingk, Professor (External Reviewer)</i></b><br>University of British Columbia (Faculty of Land and Food Systems)<br><br><b><i>Vern Osborne, Professor (External Reviewer)</i></b><br>University of Guelph (Ontario Agricultural College)<br><br><b><i>Som Niyogi, Professor (Internal Reviewer)</i></b><br>University of Saskatchewan (College of Arts and Science) |
| <b>Date and Type of Review:</b> | <b><i>November 27 – December 17, 2020 (Virtual Review)</i></b>   |

### **(2) STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION**

The Review Team consulted with many stakeholders as part of the review, including having virtual meetings with the following personnel:

- Faculty (including faculty at Western College of Veterinary Medicine)
- Undergraduate students
- Graduate students
- Facility/unit managers
- Administrative and support staff
- External stakeholders
- Department leadership
- College leadership (Agriculture and Bioresources, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies)

### **(3) SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

The Review Team’s External Review Report included a number of findings and observations for consideration. Recommendations were primarily in the areas of (sorted alphabetically):

- Academic unit structure, governance, leadership and/or management

- Community engagement – creation of an external advisory board
- Curriculum design and review
- Facility operations and management, including utilization and/or feasibility
- Faculty renewal, diversity and/or areas of focus

#### **(4) IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCEMENTS, MONITORING AND DATE OF NEXT REVIEW**

The Department Head and Dean (Agriculture and Bioresources) are responsible for building an action plan and the implementation of any recommendations in the External Review Report which were supported and/or agreed with in terms of the response from the academic unit. The Department Head is expected to provide a progress update to the Office of the Provost and VP Academic within 2 years of the completion of the review, which in this instance, is March 2023.

The next review of the department and its programs will be initiated no later than the 2030/31 academic year.

#### **(5) DISTRIBUTION**

Updates on the status of this review, including implementation progress in the years following review completion, will be provided to Academic Programs Committee.

Previously, the Self-Study Report, External Review Report, and the Academic Unit Response, have all been shared with the following stakeholders: College/Department leaders, Dean of College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Teaching, Learning and Student Experience, and the Deputy Provost.

Inquiries into further details about the process and outcomes of this review can be submitted to the [Assessment and Analytics Team](#) within the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic.