



POLICY 9.12

Position

Academics

Course and Program Development and Maintenance

POLICY RESPONSIBILITY

Council

POLICY

WHEREAS the development of new courses and programs is important for creating a robust academic environment;

WHEREAS a variety of new courses and programs will continue to attract new students to Athabasca University, helping it to remain a vibrant, growing university;

WHEREAS Athabasca University programs could be further improved by providing additional courses in each subject area;

WHEREAS it is important that Athabasca University maintain a breadth of course and program offerings to emphasize pedagogy over profitability; and

WHEREAS it is also important that these courses be maintained and regularly revised so as not to become inaccurate or irrelevant;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT AUSU petition Athabasca University to increase the number of new courses and programs implemented each year without respect to profit;

BE IT FURTHERMORE RESOLVED THAT AUSU encourage Athabasca University to continue reviewing existing courses and conducting revisions as necessary to ensure that they are fully up-to-date.

POLICY HISTORY

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