

Senate Committee on Academic Development Report to Senate – Meeting of May 20, 2009

Proposal to introduce QBridge: Proposed Queen's University English Bridging Program

Introduction

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Conclusions/Recommendation

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_	applying for admission in September 2010, and to be reviewed after a three-year pilot.

6. Admission to the QBridge program will be granted on a competitive basis, and possession of the minimum qualifications will not guarantee entry. Offers of admission will be granted following consultation among the Office of the University Registrar, the relevant Faculty or School, and the School of English.

Requirements for Progression from QBridge to Degree Program

To progress from QBridge to register in a degree program, students would have to meet all conditions of their offer, that is, receive a minimum final grade of 75% in ESLA 150. Students will register for credit courses during the regular course selection period in the summer. It will be made clear to students that completion of the course registration process while continuing to fulfill the conditions of their offer will not eliminate the requirement to meet the conditions of the offer of admission to begin degree level studies.

Failure to Meet Conditions

Students

academic degree program. This tinction is meant to assist applicants in the process of gaining permission for a Study Permit through Canadian visa offices abroad.

The timeline in future years will be similar, but may be slightly adjusted in light of the experience gained in the first iteration of the program and to allow for improved promotion of the program.

Promotion

The program will be promoted through direct contact with prospective partners from schools that have in the past expressed interest. Marketing materials outlining the benefits and details of the program will be distributed through mailings, by email, at student recruitment fairs and guidance counselor events and through other student recruitment events conducted by the