Final Assessment Report

Submitted by SUPR-G to SCAPA

Program:	Theology
Degrees Offered:	MA
Approved Fields:	No fields are defined
Date of Site Visit:	26-27 May 2011
Evaluation:	Conditional Approval with report in one year

Summary:

The MA in Theology, which is housed in Huron University College, was found currently to have some academic strengths and the promise to become a program of high quality. The reviewers, however, found that the Program faces challenges on a number of fronts, in particular in the areas of curriculum development, administration, faculty resourcing, and student support. It will be important to clarify and formalize existing practices, as well as to put in place plans to guide the Program through the current period of faculty renewal.

Recommendation:	Responsibility
Clarify the subject matter of the Program, especially in light of	Dean, Program Director
complement planning	
The development of a project-based M.A. should be abandoned	Dean, Program Director
Clarify issues of faculty workload and research expectations	Dean
Formalize processes for staffing courses (esp. reading courses) and	Dean, Program Director
providing supervisors	
Development of a broadly-bases infrastructure for administering the	Dean, Program Director
Program	
Devise plans for recruitment and enrolment planning	Dean, Program Director
Implement a plan to enhance a community of learning and research	Dean, Program Director,
among the students. This will include the revitalization of the research	Principal
methods seminar, mentoring of students with respect to publication, and	
the creation of dedicated graduate student space.	
Formalization of graduate student funding, including contractual funding	Dean, Program Director
letters to students	
Develop a mechanism to ensure appropriate communication and	Dean, Program Director,
oversight among the various stakeholders (Program, Huron, and SGPS)	Principal, Vice-Provost
	(Graduate and
	Postdoctoral Studies