



Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board
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The Honourable John Milloy
Minister, Training, Colleges and Universities
900 Bay Street
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Dear Minister:

Re: Application from Algonquin College for consent to offer a Bachelor of Applied Business (Hospitality and Tourism Management): Recommendation to Grant Consent

Pursuant to section 5(1) of the *Post-secondary Education Choice and Excellence Act, 2000*, Algonquin College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning applied for your consent to offer a Bachelor of Applied Business (Hospitality and Tourism Management). During the course of the review Algonquin asked the Board to consider a change of the program name to Bachelor of Hospitality and Tourism Management.

In accordance with section 5.2 of the Act, the application was referred on July 27th, 2009 to the Board for its review and recommendation. The Board reviewed the application in accordance with its *Handbook for Ontario Colleges, February 2006*, and gave final consideration to the application on December 15th, 2009.

Based on:

- the applicant's submission;
- the findings of the Quality Assessment Panels appointed by the Board to assess this program against the Board's standards and benchmarks for an Honours Baccalaureate degree;
- the applicant's response to the panels' reports;
- any additional materials provided by the applicant to the Board;
- any commitments made by the applicant during the review process; and
- the Board's assessment of the information;

the Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board finds that the proposed program meets the Board's standards and recommends that you grant consent to Algonquin

College to offer a Bachelor of Hospitality and Tourism Management, at its campus at 1385 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa, K2G 1V8.

This recommendation is predicated on an assumption that Algonquin will meet the terms and conditions of consent and honour all commitments made in the application and during the course of the review. Should these commitments not be honoured, the program will not meet the Board's standards. The risks resulting from inadequate program quality are considerable and can range from individual risks to students who do not achieve the education they expect to the potential harm to the reputation of Ontario degrees. The Board recommends that you implement measures to ensure that commitments are honoured during the consent.

Yours truly,



Dale Patterson,
Chair

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