

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of Senate

From: J. Driver  
Dean of Graduate Studies

Subject: Graduate Curriculum Revisions -  
Faculty of Arts

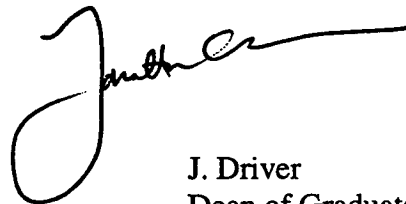
Date: May 23, 2001

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For Information:

Acting under delegated authority of Senate, the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, at its Meeting of April 30, 2001, approved the following revisions:

- a) Department of Archaeology
- b) Department of French
- c) Faculty of Arts - M.A. Co-Op Education Program Option
- d) Department of Philosophy
- e) Department of Psychology
- f) Department of Sociology/Anthropology



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Any Senator wishing to consult the full report of curriculum revisions within the Faculty of Arts should contact Bobbie Grant, Senate Assistant at 291-3168 or e-mail [bgrant@sfu.ca](mailto:bgrant@sfu.ca)

## FOR INFORMATION

(SGSC Reference: GS.2001.5)

a) Department of Archaeology

i) M.A. Program Change

The department has streamlined the MA program as a result of the External Review data that MA completion times were unusually long, and at the direction of SCUP. The revised program adopts the University requirements for coursework for a thesis based M.A. These changes affect the following:

- Course Requirements
- Advancement to Candidacy
- Thesis (to provide a clearer indication of expectations of scale and completion time)

ii) Ph.D. Program Revisions

Change in calendar description. Clarification on expectations for a Ph.D. thesis

iii) Graduate Program Revision

ARCH 876 Research Design to be a required course for all graduate students

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b) Department of French

i) Calendar Description: Degree Requirements and List of Courses  
Addition of Option: MA with Project

ii) Fren 811-5 Change of title  
Fren 812-5 Change of title  
Fren 816-5 Change of title

iii) Course deletions

Fren 800-2, 801-2, 802-2, 807-5, 808-5, 809-5, 813-5, 814-5, 815-5, 817-5, 818-5  
830-5, 831-5, 832-5

iv) New Courses:

Fren 803-5 Research Methods in French Linguistics and/or French Literature  
Fren 804-5 Topics in the Structure of French I  
Fren 805-5 Topics in the Structure of French II  
Fren 806-5 Topics in the Acquisition of French  
Fren 810-5 Pragmatics and the Structure of French  
Fren 897-0 MA Project

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c) Faculty of Arts

M.A. Co-operative Education Program Option: Calendar Entry  
including

New courses:

LBRL 750-0 Practicum I  
LBRL 751-0 Practicum II  
LBRL 752-0 Practicum III

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d) Department of Philosophy

(i) The department has recommended the removal of language in the Calendar describing the co-operative program with UBC as the level of co-operation has diminished.

(ii) M.A. Program

a) Addition of option: Specialized Thesis Option. The new Specialized Thesis Option is intended for students who have a particular project and supervisor in mind, and especially students with interdisciplinary interests.

b) The program introduces area distribution requirements. These are Value Theory, Metaphysics and Epistemology, History of Philosophy, and are intended to round out a student's education.

Other editorial revisions.

(iii) Ph.D. Program

a) Area distribution requirements are introduced in Value Theory, Metaphysics and Epistemology, Logic/Formal Studies, History of Philosophy with exam requirements in each area rather than comprehensives.

b) Course requirements are reduced to 11 courses from 12 courses.

c) Requirements for the "Thesis Proposal and Seminar" are changed to "Dissertation Prospectus".

d) "Thesis" is changed to "Dissertation", and Preliminary Dissertation Examination added.

Other clarification and editorial revisions

(iv) Admission to graduate programs

Reference to University regulations is made more specific and only those features of the department's standards which differ from or clarify the University standards are mentioned. The importance of the Honours degree is downplayed as such degrees are not universal.

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- e) Department of Psychology
  - i) Change all five (5) credit graduate seminars to three (3) credits in line with current practice
  - ii) Change in Calendar wording for PSYC 825-2 Intervention to reflect current practice
  - iii) Addition to the Calendar description of the Ph.D. Clinical Program requirements to specify that at least two of the breadth/area courses must be advanced topics in assessment or intervention
  - iv) Removal of Table I, Experimental Graduate Program, and Table 3, Clinical Psychology Program from the Calendar as they do not contain any substantive material

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f) Department of Sociology and Anthropology

i) Addition to Calendar entry: M.A. Co-Operative Program Option

ii) New courses:

- SA 890-0 Practicum I
- SA 891-0 Practicum II
- SA 892-0 Practicum III