# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.90-2 As amended by Senote 8/1/90

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Senate

From:

W. Ronald Heath

Secretary of Senate

Subject:

Application of GN Notation -

Date:

December 19, 1989

Scholarship Eligibility

Senate approved the introduction of a new grade notation "GN" (Grade Not Reported) for the undergraduate grading system at the meeting on June 5, 1989 (S.89-25, as amended, attached). During the discussion of the motion, it was suggested that the Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries should review their procedures for determining student eligibility for scholarships and other awards for students who had been assigned the "GN" notation. The SPCSAB was asked to bring forward a recommendation to Senate, which if accepted, would be added as a condition for the use of the GN notation.

The Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries has considered the question, and as set out in the attached memorandum, recommends that the following motion be approved:

### Motion:

"That all students with a "GN" grade will have their eligibility for Open and Private Scholarships (adjudicated by Simon Fraser University) determined when the GN grade has been resolved.

It is understood that should a GN grade have prevented a student from receiving a Private Scholarship which is adjudicated by Simon Fraser University, this scholarship will be awarded to that student using funds taken from the general scholarships and awards budget."

Note: If approved by Senate, this statement will be added as condition 5) to the conditions previously approved in S.89-25 for the use of the "GN" notation.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

W.R. Heath

Registrar

From: Peter Kennedy

Chairman, SPCSAB

Re:

"GN" Designation

Date:

December 14, 1989

At its meeting on November 30th, the Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries met and approved the following motion:

All students with a "GN" grade will have their eligibility for Open and Private Scholarships (adjudicated by Simon Fraser University) determined when the GN grade has been resolved.

It is understood that should a GN grade have prevented a student from receiving a Private Scholarship which is adjudicated by Simon Fraser University, this scholarship will be awarded to that student using funds taken from the general scholarships and awards budget.

Please report this to Senate for information.

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## SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: SCUS

From: W. R. Heathy

Registrar

Re: S

Submission of Grades -

Introduction of "NG" Notation

Date: April 25/1989

From time to time, circumstances arise where it is not possible for the instructor in a course to submit the grades by the required deadline for grades processing. For example, in the current Spring '89 Semester two faculty members became seriously ill during the examination period. On other occasions, the illness or death of an immediate family member has resulted in the late submission of grades.

At the present time, the only avenue open to this Office to handle these exceptional situations is to assign grades of "DE" (Deferred grade) to all students in the course(s) or group(s) taught by that instructor. This action may have serious implications for those students since the regulations on deferred grades require that they be considered as "F" grades in the calculation of the Semester and Cumulative GPA's, and students may find that they have been placed on academic probation, required to withdraw, cancelled from classes in the subsequent semester, and/or excluded from scholarship consideration. These consequences seem quite unfair for a situation over which the student has no control.

I propose that the University approve a new grade notation - NG - (No-Grade), with use of that notation subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The grade of NG may be applied only when circumstances beyond the control of the University make it impossible for grades to be assigned for a course or some section of a course.
- 2) The Dean of the Faculty responsible for the course shall advise the Registrar, in writing, that the notation of NG is approved for a course or for a particular group of students in a course. The Dean shall also indicate the probable date by which the grades will be submitted.

3) The notation NG will not be used in the calculation of the Semester and Cumulative Grade Point Averages.

4) Students who have been assigned one or more grades of NG will be advised that their continuance status has been deferred pending receipt of the final grades, and if at that time they have failed to meet the University's standard for continuance, they may be required to withdraw from the University.