

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S. 82-133

MEMORANDUM

To..... SENATE.

From..... SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS BOARD

Subject..... PROPOSED CHANGE IN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS, 'B.C.' GRADE XII.

Date..... 18 NOVEMBER 1982.

Action undertaken by the Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board, gives rise to the following motion:-

MOTION:

"That Senate approve [redacted] as set forth in S.82-133

That for admission from B.C. Grade XII the requirement of a Language 11 OR a Science 11 be revised to; a Language 11 AND a Science 11. That this revision be implemented for applicants to the 1985 Fall Semester and subsequently"

RATIONALE:

The SUAB reviewed the current admission policy for Grade XII graduates and felt that in order to attract more of the top academic students, it is important to maintain high standards. In view of the nature of counselling in schools it is desirable that there be reasonable comparability with UBC. This revision to our requirements will increase to six the number of academic courses (excluding three core courses) demanded for admission. This compares with seven at UBC and four at the University of Victoria.

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To..... SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
BOARD

Subject..... REVIEW OF B.C. GRADE XII
REQUIREMENTS - SUAB 99

From..... ALAN C. McMILLAN
SECRETARY, S.U.A.B.

Date..... 15TH OCTOBER, 1982

The Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board last reviewed the admission requirements for B.C. Secondary School graduates in the Fall of 1978. As a result of that review, recommendations were made to Senate increasing our admission average from 2.0 to 2.5 and demanding an additional academic Grade XII subject and a Language XI, or a Science XI. These changes were phased in over a three-year period, from 1979 through 1981.

The rationale for the new requirements was a desire to attract a better calibre student and to keep pace with UBC and the University of Victoria.

The current requirements for the three Universities are listed on the following page.

	<u>SFU</u>	<u>UBC</u>	<u>U. OF VICTORIA</u>
1) Minimum Grade XII Average	C+ (2.5)	C+ (2.5)	C+ (2.5)
2) Number of courses used in calculating average	4	10	11
3) Number of Academic Grade XII courses required	4	4	3
4) Required courses, including core	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. English 12* 2. English 11* 3. Algebra 11 4. Social Studies 11* 5. Language 11, or Science 11 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. English 12* 2. English 11* 3. Algebra 11 4. Social Studies 11* 5. Language 11 6. Science 11 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. English 12* 2. English 11* 3. Algebra 11 4. Social Studies 11* 5. Language 11, or Science 11
5) Other Requirements, including Item 3.	3 Academic 12-Level courses	4 Academic courses, 3 of which must be at the 12 level	2 Academic 12-Level courses
6) <u>Other Factors</u>	2.0 to 2.49 applicants considered, but limited number admitted Admission granted to the University	Borderline candidates considered, but very few admitted Admission granted to specific faculty/school . . . higher averages required in some cases	2.0 to 2.49 applicants considered and some admitted Admission granted to specific faculty/school with 2.5
	Student may use Beginners Language 11	Beginners Language 11 may not be used	Student may use Beginners Language 11

At a recent meeting of the Ministry of Education Post-Secondary Advisory Committee, representatives from UBC and the University of Victoria indicated that they were both reviewing their requirements this Fall. The representatives were unable to indicate if any changes would result from their review. It would appear that the University of Victoria may demand an additional Academic 12-level subject, bringing them in line with UBC and ourselves.

The Ministry of Education have introduced two Grade 11 courses. They include Composition 11 and Writing 11. These courses are available as electives in the secondary school programme.

Another recent development in the Ministry is the possible introduction of provincial examinations. As yet, there are no details on this topic.

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