SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

То	SENATE	H. M. EVANS, SECRETARY From SENATE COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES REGISTRAR AND SECRETARY OF SENATE
Subject	GRADUATE COURSE IN HISTORY	Date MARCH 19, 1970

This is to advise that the Executive Committee, Senate

Committee on Graduate Studies at its meeting of March 18, 1970

passed the following motion in regard to History 896-5 (Supervised Research Seminar):

"That the 896-5 course description be referred back to the History Department for the Department to clarify the relation of this course to the thesis."

This course is being brought before Senate in its present form with the understanding that the History Department will provide for Senate the information requested by the Executive Committee, Senate Committee on Graduate Studies, for distribution at the Senate meeting of April 6, 1970.

Chairman, Senate Committee
on Graduate Studies

New Graduate History Course

D. H. Sullivan, Dean Faculty of Arts March 6, 1970

At the February 27, 1970 meeting of the Faculty of Arts Graduate Studies Committee the attached paper, G.17.6, was approved.

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MEMORANDUM

To Dean of Arts	From C. Hamilton, Chairman,
	Graduate Studies Committee,
	Department of History
Subject New Graduate History Course	Date February 23, 1970

In accordance with the decision of the last meeting of the Faculty of Arts Graduate Studies Committee, I am re-submitting for transmittal to the Senate Committee on Graduate Studies, the following request from the History Department for the addition of a new graduate course.

896-5 - Supervised Research Seminar.

The purpose of this course is to allow the student to do detailed research and prepare a seminar paper in his primary field of study. The course presupposes a good background in the area of study and is designed for the student who enters the M.A. program after having done an intensive B.A. honors degree. As such the course will add flexibility to the M.A. program.

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MEMORANDUM

То	SENATE	From H. M. EVANS
		REGISTRAR AND SECRETARY OF SENATE
Subject	S. 352a - GRADUATE COURSE IN HISTORY - 896-5	Date APRIL 2, 1970

In response to the request of the Executive Committee, Senate Committee on Graduate Studies to the Department of History, as outlined in Paper S.352, the History Department has provided a clarifying statement which was received and approved by the Executive Committee at its meeting on April 1, 1970.

This statement appears below.

"History 896-5 Supervised Research Seminar. A seminar in the candidate's major field of study. The course will consist principally in the preparation of a seminar paper on a specific topic in the field of study.

Clarifying Statement:

The principal relationship of 896-5 to the student's thesis is that both will be in the same area of study (e.g. Canadian History). Furthermore, it is likely, though certainly not mandatory, that the student will develop interests in the preparation of the paper for 896-5 that will be incorporated in his thesis. In some cases portions of the research paper may be included in the thesis. It should be clearly understood, however, that the thesis represents much more detailed research and the elaboration of ideas than is possible in the seminar paper. In short, it will go far beyond anything foreseen in 896-5. On one final point: the Executive Committee, or some members of it, queried whether 896-5 was not destroying the balance of the M.A. degree between courses and research. As all graduate work in history is research oriented (i.e. all courses are essentially research seminars) there is no real distinction between formal course work and research."

Note: This Paper S.352a should be attached to Paper S.352, distributed earlier to Senators.