

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

To SENATE

From SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE

STUDIES

Subject PREREQUISITES, UPPER DIVISION  
HISTORY COURSES

Date DECEMBER 18, 1975

MOTION: "That Senate approve the proposed calendar statement on prerequisites for upper division History courses

'as upper division History courses require substantial academic background, students should normally have completed 45 credit hours (or its equivalent) prior to enrollment in an upper division History course'."

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To SENATE

From Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

Subject Prerequisites, Upper Division History Courses.

Date 12th December, 1975

### MOTION

That Senate approve the proposed Calendar statement on prerequisites<sup>t</sup> for upper division History courses, as set forth in S.76-

### RATIONALE

The Faculty of Arts intends to remove the restriction it has previously placed on lower levels students undertaking upper division course work. If regulations are required, the development of those regulations at the departmental level rather than at the faculty level will permit appropriate waivers at the department level. In the past, students seeking waivers were required to apply (often with departmental support) to the faculty curriculum committee.

Considerable discussion took place in SCUS over the value of maintaining general prerequisites rather than requiring only the specific content or skills needed for a particular course. The general prerequisite was supported on the grounds that the quality of upper division course work depends on reasonable assurance of intellectual maturity and academic experience.



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SCUS 75-64

MEMORANDUM

Dr. D. Birch, Chairman

From L. Boland, Chairman

SCUS

Arts Curriculum Committee

Subject History Regulation Changes

Date November 27, 1975

*Prerequisites - Upper Division History*

The attached change in regulations in the Department of History was approved by the Faculty of Arts Committee at its meeting of November 20, 1975. Would you please put this on the agenda of the next SCUS meeting.

*L. Boland*

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cc. H.M. Evans

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## MEMORANDUM

S. Roberts  
Administrative Assistant  
Dean of Arts Office

From: W.L. Cleveland  
History Department

Subject:

Date: November 27, 1975

The Department of History, at its meeting of 18 November 1975, approved the statement in H274 to be included in the forthcoming Calendar.

"As upper division history courses require substantial academic background, students should normally have completed 45 credit hours (or its equivalent) prior to enrollment in an upper ~~level~~ history course."

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# 1974-75 CALENDAR

COURSE DESCRIPTION ONLY: INDICATE WHETHER RECALIBRATION

CHANGES REQUESTED FOR 1975-76 CALENDAR

CHANGES APPROVED BY:

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## Requirements for Prospective Minor, Major and Honors Students in the Lower Levels

Students must obtain at least eighteen hours credit in 100 and 200 division course work in history during the first four levels if they intend to enter the major program. ~~Students must obtain credit in associated subjects such as economic history, historical geography or the philosophy of history, exceptions may be made by the department chair.~~ Students should consult one of the department's faculty advisers before beginning their programs.

## Requirements for Minor, Major and Honors Students in the Upper Levels

Minor students are required to obtain credit in at least 15 hours of 400-division work. Major students are required to obtain credit in at least 30 hours of 400-division work in history. Students must select courses from at least three of the following groups:

- Group 1 - Europe: 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 414, 416, 417, 419.
- Group 2 - Canada and the United States: 433, 434, 438, 439, 432, 446, 447, 448, 449.
- Group 3 - Latin America, The Middle East & Africa: 455, 459, 464, 465, 466, 474, 475, 476, 477.
- Group 4 - Thematic Courses: 482, 481, 482, 483, 484, 489.

A student intending to enter the History honors program shall make application to the department's Undergraduate Studies Committee, ordinarily at the end of the fourth level.

The normal sequence of honors courses for all students in the fifth and sixth levels will be HIST 495 and 496. Before entering the seventh level, the student must choose one of two plans.

Plan A. Designed to allow the student to pursue a broader education, this plan allows more choice of courses outside the department, while still providing the student with the opportunity, through additional reading and honors essay, to concentrate somewhat on a particular area of historical enquiry. The basic requirement for honors students under this plan is fifty one hours of course work in history, divided into seven 400-division courses and four honors courses.

Plan B. This alternative offers the student a chance to free himself of the pressures of the typical semester and to concentrate fully on further reading, and the completion of the honors essay, in his specific area of historical interest. The basic requirement for honors students under this plan is fifty-six hours of course work in history, divided into six 400-division courses, two honors courses, and the honors seminar.

Students intending to enter the minor program must obtain at least nine hours credit in 100 and 200 division course work in history during the first four levels.

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for Prospective  
Minor, Major  
and Honors Students  
in the Lower Levels

Addition of Minor Requirements  
"Students intending to enter the  
minor program must obtain at least  
nine hours credit in 100 and 200  
division course work in history  
during the first four levels."

Rationale:

These were omitted from the 75-76 calendar  
by error. The department wishes to have  
some pre-requisites for a minor but not  
as many as for the major.

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background, students should normally have completed 45 credit  
hours (or its equivalent) prior to enrollment in an upper division  
history courses."

Rationale:

In response to the removal of the distinction  
between Upper and Lower Division by the  
Faculty of Arts, the Department has included  
the stipulation that normally students must take  
45 hours before undertaking Upper Division  
courses. This will prevent most students from  
undertaking such courses, but allow the  
department the flexibility of allowing  
extraordinary students to enrol in courses  
before this time.