

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.07-119

Senate Committee on University Priorities Memorandum

TO: Senate

FROM: John Waterhouse
Chair, SCUP
Vice President, Academic

RE: Liber Ero Chair in Coastal Studies
Terms of Reference (SCUP 07-57)

DATE: September 27, 2007

At its September 26, 2007 meeting SCUP reviewed and approved the terms of reference for the Liber Ero Chair in Coastal Studies.

Motion

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors the terms of reference for the Liber Ero Chair in Coastal Studies.

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c: M. Plischke



TO: J.H. Waterhouse, VP Academic

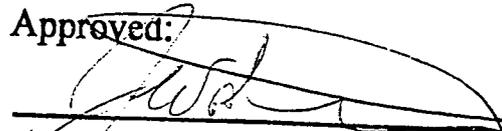
FROM: Dr. Michael Plischke, Dean
Faculty of Science

**RE: Liber Ero Chair in Coastal
Studies**

DATE: July 26, 2007

I am forwarding to you for consideration the proposed terms of reference for the Liber Ero Chair in Coastal Studies. If you consider these terms to be suitable, I would request that you forward them to SCUP.


Michael Plischke

Approved: 
John Waterhouse
Vice-President, Academic

TERMS OF REFERENCE
***Liber Ero* Chair in Coastal Studies**

The *Liber Ero* Chair in Coastal Studies was established at Simon Fraser University through a gift of \$1,500,000 from Richard and Valerie Bradshaw and a matching amount from Simon Fraser University. This Fund will be held in perpetuity by Simon Fraser University. The Chair will be a senior scientist who will lead a world-class research program in marine and coastal conservation. While it is anticipated that the focus of the Chair will evolve over time, current areas of interest could include climate change, ecology, endangered species, fisheries, sustainability of ecosystems and implications for policy. The Chair will further enhance an already significant research and outreach program and support the activities of such SFU centers as the Centre for Coastal Studies and the Tom Buell BC Leadership Chair in Salmon Conservation.

The Appointment

1. Simon Fraser University will conduct an international search for the most outstanding candidate. The successful candidate will be appointed to a tenured or tenure track position at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor according to the procedures of policy A10.06 (Appointment of Specially Funded University Chairs, University Professors and Research Fellows.)
2. The initial appointment will be for a term of five years and will be renewable after review, as mandated by policy A10.06.
3. The home department of the appointee will be determined when the successful candidate is identified.
4. The committee charged with carrying out the search will be appointed by the Vice-President, Academic who will consult with the appropriate Deans.
5. The Chair will be expected to contribute to the undergraduate and graduate teaching program of the University. The formal teaching load will be half of the normal teaching load of faculty in the relevant department.
6. Simon Fraser University will appoint an external Advisory Board. This Board will meet at least once per year to discuss the progress of the Chair's research program and to advise the Chair. The Board will provide a written report to the Dean of the appropriate Faculty and will be consulted when the Chair is due for renewal. Richard F. Bradshaw and Valerie E. Bradshaw or failing them, their daughter Brenda, may recommend a member of the Advisory Board.

Fund Administration

1. The administrator of the Fund will be the Vice-President, Academic or his or her designate.
2. The capital of the Endowment will be held in perpetuity with a portion of annual earned income reinvested in the Endowment to protect its value over time.
3. A portion of the annual earned income (see Endowment Management Policy GP 20) may be used each year to supplement the Chair's salary and benefits. Any unused portion of this earned income will be made available to the Chair for research.
4. The base salary and benefits of the Chair, at either the Associate Professor or Professor level, shall be the responsibility of the relevant Faculty.
5. In the event that circumstances make the specified use of the Endowment no longer practicable or desirable, the Board of Governors of Simon Fraser University is hereby authorized to make any changes it may deem necessary in the terms or use of the Endowment Fund of the *Liber Ero* Chair in Coastal Studies. However, such changes will be in keeping, as far as possible, with the original spirit and intent of the Endowment Fund.

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