

**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY****Senate Committee on University Priorities  
Memorandum****TO:** Senate**FROM:** John Waterhouse  
Chair, SCUP  
Vice President, Academic**RE:** Jarislowsky Foundation Endowed  
Chair in Cultural Change – Terms  
Of Reference (SCUP 06-36)**DATE:** August 28, 2006

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At its July 12, 2006 meeting SCUP reviewed and approved the terms of reference for the Jarislowsky Foundation Endowed Chair in Cultural Change.

**Motion**

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors the terms of reference for the chair supported by the Jarislowsky Foundation Cultural Change Endowment Fund.

**Rationale**

The proposed Chair will be located in the School for International Studies, with the disciplinary background open. A key mandate of the Chair holder will be to promote interdisciplinary research and integration in this field of study. Further details about the objectives of the Chair are provided in the attached documentation.

The terms of reference have been reviewed for consistency with applicable university policies.

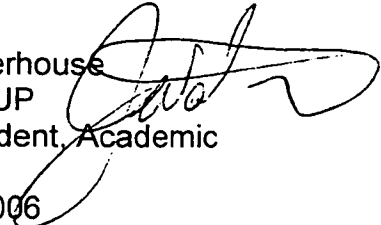
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**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY**  
**Senate Committee on University Priorities**  
**Memorandum**

**TO:** SCUP

**FROM:** John Waterhouse  
Chair, SCUP  
Vice President, Academic



**RE:** Jarislowsky Foundation  
Endowed Chair in Cultural Change –  
Draft Terms of Reference (SCUP 06-36)

**DATE:** July 10, 2006

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I have received the attached materials from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences proposing the establishment of an endowed Chair in Cultural Change. As detailed, the Chair is to be supported by a donation from the Jarislowsky Foundation and matching funds provided by the University. The Chair is to be located in the School for International Studies.

I am forwarding this to SCUP for your consideration and approval.

**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY**  
Office of the Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** John Waterhouse  
VP Academic

**From:** John T. Pierce  
Dean, FASS

**Subject:** Jarislowsky Foundation

**Date:** July 4, 2006

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John, please find attached the terms of reference for a proposed endowed Chair in Culture Change. The intent of the Chair is to further research and to promote better understanding through teaching and outreach in how the many forces that are brought to bear on global societies, influence culture change and social progress with a special emphasis on the power of religion to both enhance and retard creative transformation.

The Jarislowsky Foundation is proposing to donate \$1 million to be matched by the University. FASS in turn will provide the funding for a base position. Together these financial resources will be sufficient to create a self sustaining endowed chair position at the associate or professor level. It is expected that the Chair will be located in the School for International Studies with the disciplinary background open.

A key mandate of the Chairholder will be to promote interdisciplinary research and integration in this broad field of study.

We look forward to commencing an international search in the Fall of 2006.



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Attachment



**Jarislowsky Foundation Cultural Change Endowment Fund**  
**Supporting the**  
**Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Religion and Cultural Change Dynamics**  
**Terms of Reference**

**Overview**

The Jarislowsky Foundation Cultural Change Endowment Fund will support the Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Religion and Cultural Change Dynamics, henceforth referred to as the "Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change". The Jarislowsky Foundation agrees to donate \$1 million (CAD) to this endowment fund and Simon Fraser University agrees to allocate \$1 million from the Burnaby Mountain Endowment Fund to the Jarislowsky Foundation Cultural Change Endowment Fund to create a \$2 million endowment. The annual income from this endowment will be used to fund the Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change. The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences agrees to create a tenure track continuing position.

**Purpose and Objectives**

The Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change will consider the many forces that are brought to bear on global societies, exploring how they facilitate cultural change and social progress with a special emphasis on the power of religion to both enhance and retard creative transformation.

The Chair will carry out a program of interdisciplinary research that considers internal factors such as globalization, communication, immigration and education and external factors such as politics and war. Initial emphasis will be on the many ways that Islam has manifested itself in different regions of the world and how Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism, Confucianism, secularism and social movements have positively and negatively affected cultural progress.

**Fund Administration**

The Jarislowsky Cultural Change Endowment Fund will be held by Simon Fraser University. The administrator of the Fund will be the Vice President – Academic, or his/her designate. Donations to the Endowment may be received through Simon Fraser University.



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**Fund Administration Continued**

The capital of the Endowment Fund will be held in perpetuity. The annual earned income (see Endowment Management Policy GP 20) will be used to enhance the activities of the Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change, including travel, research support, conferences and other public outreach, education activities and overall excellence. The interest income distributed will not exceed 5 per cent of market value each year. Any interest income earned in excess of 5 per cent will go back into the endowment fund. The base salary and basic infrastructure of the Chair will be covered by the University. A portion of annual earned income will be reinvested in the Endowment to protect its value over time.

In the event that circumstances make the specified use of the Endowment Fund 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 after consultation with the Jarislowsky Foundation. Such changes, however, are to be in keeping as far as possible with the original spirit and general intent of the Endowment Fund. This agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Jarislowsky Foundation and Simon Fraser University.

**Advisory Committee for Chair:**

The advisory committee will include: two SFU faculty members, two scholars from outside of SFU and one member of the Jarislowsky Foundation board. The advisory committee will provide advice to the School for International Studies' Appointments Committee on candidates for the Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change.

**Appointments**

Simon Fraser University will appoint the Jarislowsky Chair in Cultural Change. The term of this appointment is 5 years and is renewable. The applicable policy is A 10.06. Appointment and renewal processes will follow the policy.

Simon Fraser University will appoint to a tenure track position at the rank of associate professor or professor, a candidate who specializes in one or more of the following areas: humanities, world religion, sociology, political science, history, education, and geo-politics.



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**Appointments Continued**

The intent is to appoint a candidate who can draw upon a number of disciplines to study the change in culture and its association with religion in the context of diverse internally and externally generated forces of change.

The Chair will be situated in the School for International Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and will encourage and develop linkages with other departments, institutes and universities in order to promote interdisciplinary research and integration in this new field. The Chairholder may hold a cross appointment with another discipline.

The Chair will be expected to create new curriculum on cultural change and religion, to conduct a coherent program of research and to foster broader public understanding of the issues through conferences and symposia. The teaching load of the Chair will normally be 50% of the normal teaching load in the School for International Studies.



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**Accepted By:**

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Stephen A. Jarislowsky  
President  
Stephen A. Jarislowsky Foundation

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Steve Easton  
Director, School for International Studies  
Simon Fraser University

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John Pierce  
Dean of Arts and Social Sciences  
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VP Advancement  
Simon Fraser University

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