

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
Senate Committee on University Priorities
Memorandum

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TO: Senate

FROM: John Waterhouse
Chair, SCUP
Vice President, Academic

RE: Motions Regarding TechBC

DATE: February 22, 2002

Below is a set of three motions in relation to the Technical University of British Columbia (TechBC).

The Senate Committee on University Priorities reviewed the motions at an extraordinary meeting held on February 22, 2002. The motions were unanimously approved.

Once approved by Senate, the motions are to be submitted to the Board of Governors.

Motions Regarding TechBC

The Provincial Government has decided to close the Technical University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University has been selected to provide degree completion opportunities to the existing students in Surrey. The Government has committed to provide SFU with funding to cover the cost of facilities and infrastructure, as well as the required level of operating grants. It is imperative that some assurance be provided quickly to the students at The Technical University of British Columbia about their future.

Motions:

1. That Senate approve in principle the establishment of a program which will provide existing undergraduate students at the Technical University of British Columbia the opportunity to complete an appropriate SFU degree. This program is expected to be in effect for at least three years and will start on 1 September 2002. The detailed programmatic arrangements will be developed over the next few months and will be subject to the usual University approval processes. *and at most four*
2. That Senate approve in principle the admission of graduate students currently enrolled at the Technical University of British Columbia into appropriate graduate programs in accordance with Simon Fraser University Graduate Programs policies and procedures.
3. That under the direction of SCUP, a long-term plan will be developed to examine the possibility of integrating the TechBC programs into the regular SFU offerings. SCUP will direct this planning process and report to Senate in 2003-01 or earlier.