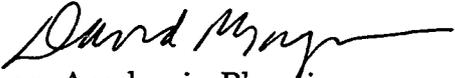


**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY**

*OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC*

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Senate

**From:** D. Gagan, Chair   
Senate Committee on Academic Planning

**Subject:** Department of English -  
Graduate Curriculum Revisions

(SGSC Meeting Feb. 17, 1997)  
(SCAP Reference: SCAP 97-16)

**Date:** March 14, 1997

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Action undertaken by the Senate Graduate Studies Committee and the Senate Committee on Academic Planning gives rise to the following motion:

**Motion:**

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors as set forth in S.97 - 38 , the curriculum revisions in the Department of English."

### **Calendar Change for the Ph.D. Field Exam**

Proposed:

To replace this sentence in the SFU calendar (page 308)

**FROM**

The student may choose either to a) sit a four hour exam (closed book), or b) take home the examination question and complete it within 7 days.

**TO**

The student will take home the examination question and complete the paper within three days.

Rationale

Students choosing the 4-hour option might inadvertently be judged by criteria more fairly applying to the 7-day option. Students choosing this option are likely to have domestic circumstances that make 7 days of quiet impossible to arrange. Students could answer the question adequately within three days and three days without interruption are more easy to organize than seven.