

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.78-81

MEMORANDUM

Senate

From Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

Subject NEW COURSE PROPOSAL - DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY - GEOG 445 - RURAL PLANNING

Date August 24, 1978

Action taken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting on August 15, 1978 gives rise to the following motion:

Motion

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S78-81 the new course GEOG 445-5 - Rural Planning."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of this course, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that this course may be offered in the Spring semester 79-1."

The Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies was satisfied concerning the availability of library and other resources as a set of "hand-outs" has been prepared by the instructor and meets the earlier concerns of the library.

R. C. Brown
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SCUS 78-33

MEMORANDUM

To Mr. H.M. Evans, Secretary
SCUS
Subject GEOG 445 - RURAL PLANNING

From Sheila Roberts, Secretary
Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee
Date August 2, 1978

The attached course was approved by the Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its meeting of June 15, 1978 and was subsequently forwarded for overlap consideration to other Faculties. It was also forwarded to the Library for its consideration. We have had no concerns expressed regarding overlap from other Faculties. The Library, however, has expressed uneasiness regarding its ability to provide adequate background material for students in this course. (See attached memo from L. Thomas dated June 21, 1978.) The Dean has discussed this matter with the Chairman of the Department and with the proposed Instructor - J.W. Wilson - and he has been assured that all material required for the course can be made available to students in xerox form, as the majority of it has been taken from Government reports which are in the Instructor's possession. The Dean feels confident that library material will not be a problem and has requested me to forward you the attached new course proposal for inclusion on the agenda of the next SCUS meeting.

Thank you.


S. Roberts

cc. M. Roberts
L. Thomas

Waiver requested

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: GEOGRAPHY

Abbreviation Code: GEOG Course Number: 445 Credit Hours: 5 Vector: 2-3-

Title of Course: Rural Planning

Calendar Description of Course:

This course introduces the student to the principles and practices of rural land use planning and to their application as demonstrated by Canadian case studies.

Nature of Course Lecture and Seminar

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

60 hours credit, preferably including Geography 121 (Economic Geography), Geography 322 (Primary Activities) and/or Geography 385 (Agricultural Geography)

What course (courses), if any, is being dropped from the calendar if this course is approved: None

2. Scheduling

How frequently will the course be offered? Once a year.

Semester in which the course will first be offered? January 1979

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? J.W. Wilson

3. Objectives of the Course

The purpose of the course is to expose the student to rural planning, an integrative field, in which many of the concepts and techniques of geography find real life application in a governmental setting.

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty Other courses offered less frequently
Staff None
Library None
Audio Visual None
Space None
Equipment None

Beyond what is already available.

5. Approval

Date: April 27, 1978

Michael C. Roberts
Department Chairman

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Dean

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Chairman, SCUS

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RURAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Rationale

The planning of rural settlement and land use is a neglected field in both the academic and the governmental worlds in Canada. The only planning school which emphasizes it is at Queen's University, and in practice what rural planning is done is usually carried out by people trained in the urban field. Yet, as exurban settlement and resource developments of increasing magnitude continue, it is an important field.

In the governmental context this is an opportune time to advance rural planning studies. The regional level of government, at which planning can sensibly be carried out, is now well established in British Columbia, and planning is one of its mandatory functions. At the provincial level several coordinative mechanisms have now been developed which make it possible to relate provincial plans and programs to rural area planning in ways that were scarcely possible before. In other words as far as the outside world is concerned the time is ripe for entry into the field of rural planning.

In the context of Simon Fraser University the time is also ripe. It is a logical addition to the Geography program, since it depends on and interacts with existing courses of study such as central place theory, terrain analysis, biogeography, transportation geography, human geography, the geography of primary activities and agricultural geography. It is also a logical extension of Regional Planning (Geog. 443) and a natural complement of the Geography of Resource Development (Geog. 421).

Lastly, the developments in government at both the provincial and the regional level which have been mentioned above make it likely that there will be an expansion of jobs in these fields which suitably trained graduates could properly fill.

Rural Planning & Development

Course Outline

1. General characteristics of rural areas, especially (a) ex-urban forces and flows; (b) the rural economic base and its implications for planning; (c) the hierarchal network of towns and villages.
2. The structure and functions of government affecting rural areas, (federal, provincial and local) with special reference to provincial planning and coordinative mechanisms.
3. The major economic forces in rural areas and their implications for rural planning - forest industry, mining, agriculture, etc.
4. The major governmental administrative programs (mainly provincial) having implications for rural development - crown lands, highways, water resources administration, recreation, agriculture, etc.
5. General approaches to and principles of rural planning.
6. Typical planning problems and working processes
7. Planning powers and typical control instruments.
8. Case studies in rural planning.

Rural Planning and Development

Main Reference Works

General Planning Works:

Canadian Settlement and Environmental Planning, Alice Coleman,
Urban Prospects series, MSUA, 1976.

The Third Report of the Select committee on rural life and
land use, New Brunswick, 1977.

Exurban development in southwestern Ontario, Ron Brown,
Government of Ontario, 1977.

The Battle for land, Community Planning Association of
Canada, 1974.

Countryside Planning; A pilot study for Huron County,
Government of Ontario, 1976.

Ill fares the land, Rawson, Urban Prospects series, 1976.

Food for the Cities, Bureau of Municipal Research, 1976.

Guidelines for the Seventies, Government of Manitoba, 1973.

Economic Aspects:

B.C. Dept. of Economic Development, 1975; excerpts from:

The Central Report;
The Midcoast Report;
The Kootenay Report.

Social Aspects:

Nazko and Kluskus, Kew, UBC, 1976.

The quality of life in resource towns, Riffel, Centre for
Settlement Studies, 1976.

People in the Way, Wilson, U. of T. Press, 1973.

Industrial Structure, population structure and Regional
development in B.C., Rucki, SFU, 1977.

Overall Regional Plans:

Comox-Strathcona Regional District.

Capital Region District.

Pictou County, N.S.

Sector Plans:

Spallumcheen.

Christina Lake.

Cooking Lake, Alberta.

Slocan Valley Community Forest Management Project.

Farm Viability study, GVRD, 1974.

Rural Communities:

Planning for small communities in Ontario, Hodge, a report to the Planning Act Review committee, 1976.

Towns and Villages in the Canadian Settlement Fabric, Hodge and Quadeer.

A study of General Plans, Chanter, Department of Municipal Affairs, Alberta, 1976.

Instant Towns in B.C., Bradbury, SFU, 1977.

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MEMORANDUM

Sheila Roberts

Dean of Arts Office

Subject GEOGRAPHY 445

From Larry Thomas

Collections Librarian

Date 1978-06-21

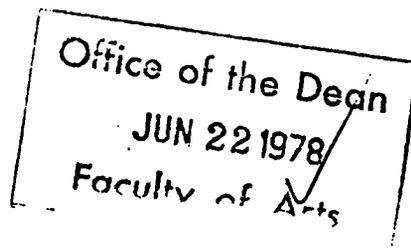
We have reviewed library holdings related to this course, i.e. rural planning, and find we have less than half of the titles on the reading list (12 out of 27). Further, our holdings in this area are generally limited.

We have been assured by the faculty member who would teach the course that he will put personally owned publications on Reserve in order to make available to the students at least all the titles on the reading list.

I would prefer to await Senate committee reaction to the proposal before putting more effort into estimating collections needs and their possible cost.

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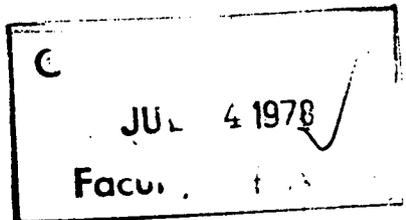
To..... Sheila Roberts, Secretary
..... Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee
Subject..... GEOG 445 - Overlap

From..... Dr. Thomas W. Calvert, Dean
..... Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies
Date..... July 3, 1978

In John Dickinson's absence I have consulted informally with our departments. As you might expect, there is no significant or undesirable overlap between the proposed GEOG 445 and any course in this Faculty.

T.W. Calvert
Thomas W. Calvert, Dean

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MEMORANDUM

To..... Sheila Roberts, Secretary

..... Faculty of Arts Curriculum
..... Committee

Subject..... COURSE PROPOSAL: GEOG 445-5

From..... Marion Jacques

..... Secretary to the Dean of Science

Date..... 1978.07.17

I respond to your memorandum of 1978 06 20.

The following course proposal has been circulated to the members of the Faculty of Science Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

(1) GEOG 445-5 Rural Planning.

To date, no course overlap has been reported to this Office.



Marion Jacques

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