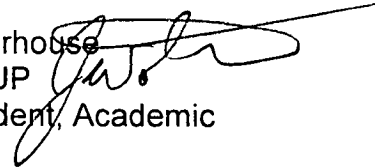


SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Senate Committee on University Priorities Memorandum

TO: Senate

FROM: John Waterhouse
Chair, SCUP
Vice President, Academic



RE: Proposal for an Extended Minor in the Asia-Canada program, and the deletion of the Asia-Canada Minor program - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (SCUP 05-071)

DATE: December 15, 2005

At its December 7, 2005 meeting SCUP reviewed and approved the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences for an Extended Minor in the Asia-Canada program, and the deletion of the Asia-Canada Minor program.

Motion One

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors, the proposal for an Extended Minor in the Asia-Canada program, in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

Motion Two

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors, the proposal to delete the Asia-Canada Minor program in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

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c: T. Kawasaki

Asia-Canada Program Calendar Revisions for 2006/07

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1. Change Asia-Canada Minor to Extended Minor

(Note Bill Krane has advised this program change does not require DQAB approval--see email attached.)

- a) Drop Asia-Canada Minor
- b) Add Asia-Canada Extended Minor with an
 - i) Addition of note regarding ASC 205 to Extended Minor
 - ii) Addition of HUM 383 to ASC Extended minor elective list

Asia-Canada Program Change Proposal:

Drop Asia-Canada Minor and Add an Asia-Canada Extended Minor.

Rationale:

1. *Student Demand & Program Rigour:*
The current Asia-Canada Minor program requirements of 18 credit hours at the lower level and 15 at the upper level match the credit hour requirements for most extended minors at SFU. 18 credits at the lower level is double the number of credits required for most minors at SFU, and equivalent to most lower division major requirements.
2. *Student demand and degree choice:*
A petition was received from ASC minor students requesting a Major program in this area and many students since then have also expressed the wish to do this program as a major in a BA degree. The program is too small for a Major but establishing the extended minor would allow students the option to complete the BA degree program with two extended minors.
3. *Precedent for an extended minor in a program with no major:*
For several years both the School for the Contemporary Arts and the Humanities Program had individually defined extended minors in programs that did not have majors. This was specifically noted under the extended minors regulations in the Faculty of Arts section of the calendar.
4. *Precedent for an extended minor in a program with no minor:*
The French Department has an extended minor but no minor. Their requirements at the lower division (18 credit hours) are the same as the proposed ASC extended minor.
5. *Resources:* No further teaching or course resources would be required.
6. At the same time we propose an additional note on the extended minor for the clarification of students, as well as an additional course:
 - a) Addition of a note under lower division requirements stating that students are not able to count ASC 205 taken in the China Field School towards the extended minor; but can count the field school language credits (CHIN 185-6). This has been the practice of the department but it is not stated in the Calendar.
 - b) Addition of HUM 383-4 Selected Topics in the Humanities III to the upper division elective course list. This course is normally taught once per year with an Asian topic.

(These additions and changes in wording from the Minor are underlined in the ASC Extended Minor Proposal attached.)
7. This change does not require DQAB approval as per Bill Krane (see attached).
8. Note the History Department is proposing several course changes for 06/07 that would affect the upper division list for the ASC extended minor. The deleted courses (HIST 365 and 474) have been deleted from the UD list on the new extended minor and replaced by the new courses: HIST 366 and 479.
9. This change would be effective for the 06/07 Calendar.

Drop Asia-Canada Minor:

Current Calendar Entry

The Asia-Canada Program offers opportunities to investigate connections between contemporary Canadian society and culture, and that of a variety of Asian countries. Part of the program is a study of one or more Asian languages. The goal of this minor program is to introduce students to the economic, social and cultural connections between Asian countries and Canada.

Minor Program

Lower Division Requirements

18 credit hours including:

ASC 101-3 Introduction to Asia-Canada Studies I
ASC 102-3 Introduction to Asia-Canada Studies II

plus one of

ASC 200-3 Introduction to Chinese Culture
ASC 201-3 Introduction to Chinese Culture and History
ASC 202-3 Studies in Asian Culture

plus one of

CNS 160-3 The Social Background of Canada
CNS 210-3 Foundations of Canadian Culture
HIST 102-3 Canada since Confederation
HIST 204-3 The Social History of Canada
SA 100-4 Perspectives on Canadian Society

and six credit hours of Chinese or Japanese or another Asian language (to be approved by the advisor). Students who can demonstrate prior knowledge and proficiency equivalent to a 100 level in an Asian language are encouraged to choose another Asian language, or they can substitute the 6 language credits with further lower division Asia-Canada courses. Students eligible for these options must have their language level assessed and receive prior approval from the Director and advisor.

Upper Division Requirements

15 credit hours including at least one of
ASC 300-3 Asians and North Americans in Public Discourse
ASC 301-3 Asia-Canada Identities: Experiences and Perspectives

and at least one other upper division Asia-Canada course.

Note: If both ASC 300 and 301 are taken, students can count one course toward fulfilling the remaining upper division requirements.

To satisfy the remaining nine required credit hours, students must complete courses from the following. With prior permission from the director, students may count other Asia-Canada related courses at the upper division which do not appear on this list. Consult with the program advisor.

ASC 302-3 Selected Topics in Chinese Studies
ASC 303-3 Selected Topics in Japanese Studies
ASC 400-3 Selected Topics in Asia-Canada Studies
ASC 401-3 Directed Studies
BUS 431-3 Business with East Asian Countries
ENGL 394-4 World Literature in English II: Designated by Topic*
HIST 365-4 Self and Society in Imperial China
HIST 471-3 Women in Modern Japanese History
HIST 474-4 Modern Chinese Identities
HIST 481-4 British India

HUM 340-4 Great Cities in Their Time*

HUM 350-4 Great Figures in the Humanities*

POL 335-4 Government and Politics: People's Republic of China I

POL 336-4 Government and Politics: People's Republic of China II

POL 381-4 Politics and Government of Japan I

POL 382-4 Politics and Government of Japan II

POL 430-4 Government and Politics: Selected Asian Nations

*when the topic is Asia-Canada related. Consult program advisor.

Note: Students are responsible for meeting the prerequisites for the upper division courses they are applying to the minor.

ADD Asia-Canada Extended Minor

The Asia-Canada Program offers opportunities to investigate connections between contemporary Canadian society and culture, and that of a variety of Asian countries. Part of the program is a study of one or more Asian languages. The goal of this extended minor program is to introduce students to the economic, social and cultural connections between Asian countries and Canada. Students can apply the ASC extended minor along with another extended minor towards a Bachelor of Arts degree or with a Major in any Bachelor's degree, or use it towards a Bachelor of General Studies degree.

Extended Minor Program

Lower Division Requirements

18 credit hours including:

ASC 101-3 Introduction to Asia-Canada Studies I
ASC 102-3 Introduction to Asia-Canada Studies II

plus one of

ASC 200-3 Introduction to Chinese Culture
ASC 201-3 Introduction to Chinese Culture and History
ASC 202-3 Studies in Asian Culture

plus one of

CNS 160-3 The Social Background of Canada
CNS 210-3 Foundations of Canadian Culture
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and six credit hours of Chinese or Japanese or another Asian language (to be approved by the advisor). Students who can demonstrate prior knowledge and proficiency equivalent to a 100 level in an Asian language are encouraged to choose another Asian language, or they can substitute the 6 language credits with further lower division Asia-Canada courses. Students eligible for these options must have their language level assessed and receive prior approval from the Director and advisor.

Note: ASC 205 taken in the China Field School cannot be counted in lieu of ASC 200/201/202. However, students can count CHIN 185-6 taken in the Field School for the language requirement.

Upper Division Requirements

15 credit hours including at least one of
ASC 300-3 Asians and North Americans in Public Discourse
ASC 301-3 Asia-Canada Identities: Experiences and Perspectives

and at least one other upper division Asia-Canada course.

Note: If both ASC 300 and 301 are taken, students can count one course toward fulfilling the remaining upper division requirements.

To satisfy the remaining nine required credit hours, students must complete courses from the following. With prior permission from the director, students may count other Asia-Canada related courses at the upper division which do not appear on this list. Consult with the program advisor.

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ASC 400-3 Selected Topics in Asia-Canada Studies
ASC 401-3 Directed Studies
BUS 431-3 Business with East Asian Countries
ENGL 394-4 World Literature in English II*

HIST 366-4 Social History of China Since 1800
HIST 471-4 Women in Modern Japanese History
HIST 479-4 Change, Conflict, and Resistance in Twentieth-Century China
HIST 481-4 British India
HUM 340-4 Great Cities in Their Time*
HUM 350-4 Great Figures in the Humanistic Tradition*
HUM 383-4 Selected Topics in the Humanities III*
POL 365-4 Government and Politics: People's Republic of China I
POL 366-4 Government and Politics: People's Republic of China II
POL 381-4 Politics and Government of Japan I
POL 382-4 Politics and Government of Japan II
POL 430-4 Government and Politics: Selected Asian Nations

*when the topic is Asia-Canada related. Consult program advisor.

Note: Students are responsible for meeting the prerequisites for the upper division courses they are applying to the extended minor.