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ATTENTION	Senate	DATE	May 3, 2013
FROM	Gordon Myers, Chair Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies	PAGES	1/1
RE:	Faculty of Science (SCUS 13-25)		

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**For information:**

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of May 2, 2013, SCUS approved the following curriculum revisions effective Spring 2014:

1. Department of Mathematics (SCUS 13-25b)

(i) Requirement changes to the Operations Research Major and Honours Programs

2. Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry ( SCUS 13-25c)

(ii) Requirement changes to the Major in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

3. Department of Physics (SCUS 13-25d)

(i) Description and prerequisite change to PHYS 231

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**ATTENTION Dr. George Agnes**  
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**FROM Ladislav Stacho, Chair, Undergraduate Studies  
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**RE Calendar Changes**

**DATE 18 March 2013**

Please find enclosed the following documents relating to undergraduate curriculum changes approved by Mathematics to be considered at the next Faculty of Science Undergraduate Curriculum Committee meeting.

**Item I:**

**Changes to the list of Table I courses in the Operations Research Major and Honours Programs (Remove STAT 400, STAT 402, BUEC 433, and add STAT 475, STAT 485, ECON 435.)**

**Item II:**

**a) Remove the Table III course list in the Operations Research Honours Program, and**

**b) Clean up the text directly preceding Table III in the Operations Research Honours Program**

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## Summary of Changes

### Item I:

**Changes to the list of Table I courses in the Operations Research Major and Honours Programs** (Remove STAT 400, STAT 402, BUEC 433, and add STAT 475, STAT 485, ECON 435.)

Justification: This change reflects the changes from Department of Statistics courses to be offered (SCUS 12-21c; e.g. course restructuring by the Department of Statistics). This also reflects that BUEC 433 is no longer offered regularly, although the course exists.

### **From (current description- Operations Research Major and Honours Programs):**

**(Items which are underlined will be deleted from the Table)**

and at least two additional courses from Table I below

ACMA 445-3 Loss Models: Estimation and Selection\*  
BUEC 433-5 Forecasting in Business and Economics+  
STAT 390-3 Selected Topics in Probability and Statistics  
STAT 400-3 Data Analysis  
STAT 402-3 Generalized Linear and Nonlinear Modelling  
STAT 410-3 Statistical Analysis of Sample Surveys  
STAT 430-3 Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments  
STAT 460-3 Bayesian Statistics  
STAT 490-3 Selected Topics in Probability and Statistics

\*students must meet the entry requirements for the actuarial science program to enroll in this course

+see for prerequisites

### **To (new description- Operations Research Major and Honours Programs):**

**(Items which are underlined have been added to the Table)**

and at least two additional courses from Table I below

ACMA 445-3 Loss Models: Estimation and Selection\*  
ECON 435-5 Econometric Methods †  
STAT 390-3 Selected Topics in Probability and Statistics

STAT 410-3 Statistical Analysis of Sample Surveys  
STAT 430-3 Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments  
| STAT 460-3 Bayesian Statistics  
STAT 475-3 Applied Discrete Data Analysis  
STAT 485-3 Applied Time Series Analysis  
STAT 490-3 Selected Topics in Probability and Statistics

\*students must meet the entry requirements for the actuarial science program to enrol in this course  
†see BUEC courses for prerequisites

**Item II:**

- a) Remove the Table III course list in the Operations Research Honors Program, and**
- b) Clean up the text directly preceding Table III (change from four 400 division courses to two 400 division courses) in the Operations Research Honours Program**

Justification:

(a) Most of the courses listed in the table are leftover from the discontinued Industrial Mathematics program that has been replaced by the Operations research program, or are already required outside this table.

(b) The current information was incorrectly interpreted by students to mean that eight 400 division courses are required for the Operations Research Honours Program.

**From (current description- Operations Research Honours Program):**

**(Items which are underlined will be deleted)**

To complete the required 48 upper division units, students complete additional Table III courses (see list below), of which at least four courses must be at the 400 division. One upper division MATH course that is not shown in Table III may be substituted.

- CMPT 305-3 Computer Simulation and Modelling
- CMPT 307-3 Data Structures and Algorithms
- CMPT 361-3 Introduction to Computer Graphics
- CMPT 405-3 Design and Analysis of Computing Algorithms
- CMPT 461-3 Advanced Computer Graphics
- MACM 316-3 Numerical Analysis I
- MACM 401-3 Introduction to Computational Algebra
- MACM 409-3 Numerical Linear Algebra
- MACM 416-3 Numerical Analysis II
- MACM 442-3 Cryptography
- MATH 310-3 Introduction to Ordinary Differential Equations
- MATH 314-3 Boundary Value Problems
- MATH 322-3 Complex Variables
- MATH 338-3 Advanced Linear Algebra
- MATH 342-3 Elementary Number Theory

- MATH 343-3 Applied Discrete Mathematics
- MATH 345-3 Introduction to Graph Theory
- MATH 348-3 Probability Models in Operations Research
- MATH 418-3 Partial Differential Equations
- MATH 438-3 Linear Algebra
- MATH 443-3 Combinatorial Theory
- MATH 445-3 Graph Theory
- MATH 447-4 Coding Theory
- MATH 461-3 Continuous Mathematical Models
- MATH 462-3 Fluid Dynamics
- MATH 467-3 Dynamical Systems
- MATH 470-3 Variational Calculus
- PHYS 395-3 Computational Physics

**To (new description- Operations Research Honours Program):**

**(Items which are underlined have been added)**

To complete the required 48 upper division units, students complete additional coursework, of which at least two courses must be 400-level MATH or MACM courses with the possibility of substituting a 400-level course from another department subject to advisor approval. Courses used to fulfill this upper division requirement cannot be used to satisfy the interdisciplinary requirement. All courses pertaining to the required 48 upper division units must be approved by the program advisor in the Department of Mathematics.

**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY**  
**Program Change Form**

**Program:** Major in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

**From:**

One of:

CMPT 102-3 Intro to Scientific Computer Program  
CMPT 110-3 Programming in Visual Basic  
CMPT 120-3 Intro to Computing Science & Program I

**To:**

One of:

CMPT 102-3 Intro to Scientific Computer Program  
CMPT 110-3 Programming in Visual Basic  
CMPT 120-3 Intro to Computing Science & Program I  
**CMPT 130-3 Intro to Computer Programming I**  
**CMPT 126-3 Intro to Computer Sci /Programming**

**Rationale:**

**The addition of CMPT130 offers an additional basic intro computer course option for MBB students. The addition of CMPT126, a more advanced introductory CMPT course (it's an accelerated and rigorous version of CMPT 120 and CMPT 125 and offers an option for more advanced undergraduates to both complete their MBB CMPT requirement and to lay a stronger foundation if they choose to take more CMPT courses.**

**Effective date:** ~~Fall, 2013 (1137)~~ SPRING 2014

**Approvals**

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Chair, Department/School

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Chair, Faculty Curriculum Committee

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