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**MEMORANDUM**

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**ATTENTION** Senate

**DATE** November 15, 2023

**FROM** Mary O'Brien,  
 Chair of Senate Graduate Studies Committee  
 (SGSC)



**RE:** Course Changes

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**For Approval:** At its meetings on September 12, 2023 and November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the SGSC approved the following course changes, effective **SUMMER 2024**:

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

**Department of Psychology**

Course Change (prerequisite): PSYC 880 Junior Practicum

**School of Public Policy**

Course Change (prerequisite): PLCY 818 Quantitative Methods for Public Analysts

Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

**Centre for Digital Media**

Course Change (title, description): DMED 503 Foundations of Game Design

Faculty of Science

**Department of Physics**

Course Change (Prerequisite): PHYS 846 Nonlinear Physics



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## Memo

**Attention** George Agnes, Dean of Graduate Studies (Acting)

**From** Kate. Slaney, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, FASS

**Subject** PSYC Calendar Changes, Effective Summer 2024

**Date** July 5, 2023

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Dear George,

By request of the Department of Psychology Graduate Chair, I have approved the attached amendments to calendar changes by delegated authority. This involves the removal of PSYC 770 as a prerequisite for PSYC 880 (practicum). PSYC 770 has been moved from the MA to the PhD program requirements, this change **was** approved and effective in Summer 2023. However, **removing PSYC 770 as a prerequisite for PSYC 880** was missed in the original calendar change request and approval. This change is simply to **align** with the original calendar change as **PSYC 880 remains in the MA program**. Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kate Slaney'.

Kate Slaney

Kate Slaney  
Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies,  
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Simon Fraser University



FACULTY OF ARTS  
AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT  
OF PSYCHOLOGY

**MEMO**

Ralph Mistlberger  
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**ATTENTION:** Katherine (Kate) Slaney, Chair, FASSGSC

**FROM:** Ralph Mistlberger, Graduate Program Chair, Department of Psychology

**RE: Removing PSYC 770 as a pre-requisite of PSYC 880**

**DATE: July 4, 2023**

The Department of Psychology approved the following calendar entry changes. We ask that these changes, if approved, be effective ~~Spring~~ **summer 2024**.

***Department of Psychology***

- Removing PSYC 770 as a pre-requisite of PSYC 880.

Please include these curriculum items on the next FASS GSC agenda.

If you require additional information, I can be contacted by email (mistlber@sfu.ca) or telephone (604-657-7121).

With sincere thanks,

Ralph Mistlberger, Ph.D.  
Professor & Graduate Program Chair

## Graduate Course Change

Attach a separate document if more space is required.

Course Subject/Number	PSYC 880	Units	3	Effective Term and Year	Summer 2024
Course Title	Junior Practicum				
Rationale for Change:	PSYC 770 is no longer a requirement in the clinical psychology master's program as it was moved to the clinical psychology PhD program requirements back in Summer 2023. PSYC 880 is taken in the master's program, therefore we are removing PSYC 770 as a prerequisite.				

### Proposed Changes (Check all that apply)

Course number  
  Units\*  
  Title  
  Description  
  Prerequisite  
  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Complete only the fields to be changed

FROM	TO
Course Subject/Number	Course Subject/Number
Units	Units*
Course Title	Course Title (max 100 characters)
Course Short Title	Course Short Title (max 30 characters)
Description	Description
Prerequisite REQ: PSYC 744, 770, 820B, 821B, 910, 911. Students must successfully complete a Criminal Record Check.	Prerequisite REQ: PSYC 744, 820B, 821B, 910, 911. Students must successfully complete a Criminal Record Check.
Other	Other

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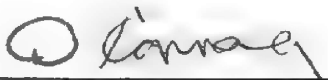


**REMINDER:** All course changes must be identified on a cover memo and confirmed as approved when submitted to FGSC and SGSC.


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## ▶ DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

Department Graduate Program Committee Ralph Mistlberger	Signature 	Date July 4, 2023
Department Chair Deb Connolly	Signature 	Date July 4, 2023

## ▶ FACULTY APPROVAL

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) Kathleen Slaney	Signature 	Date July 4, 2023
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## ▶ SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) Mary O'Brien	Signature 	Date November 15, 2023
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### ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION (for DGS office only)

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 Course Attribute Value: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Instruction Mode: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Attendance Type: \_\_\_\_\_

If different from regular units:  
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## Memo

**Attention** Chair, Senate GSC

**From** Kate. Slaney, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, FASS

**Subject** Confirming SPP ~~course deletion of PLCY 804 and~~ Course change for PLCY 818

**Date** August 8, 2023

- I am writing to confirm that FASSGSC reviewed and approved at its February 7, 2023 meeting the ~~deletion of PLCY 804 (Political Foundations of Policy Analysis II) from the course calendar but a change form was used not a course deletion form. A course deletion form is now included. In their submitted materials, Public Policy neglected to increase the number of required electives to keep the MPP program at 70 credits. Please see program change forms attached.~~  
~~Also included is the~~ Change form re: prerequisite change for PLCY 818.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen (Kate) Slaney  
 Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies,  
 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
 Simon Fraser University

**Cover Memo to FASSGSC**

To: FASS Graduate Studies Committee  
From: Kora DeBeck, School of Public Policy (current Grad Chair)  
CC: Mohsen Javdani, School of Public Policy (incoming Grad Chair for Sep 2023)  
Re: Course Program Change for FASSGSC Approval  
Date: Aug 8, 2023

The attached program change effective Summer 2024 are requested by the School of Public Policy Director and Grad Chair.

- ~~1. FASSGSC already reviewed and approved the deletion of PLCY 804 (Political Foundations of Policy Analysis II) from the course calendar but a change form was used not a course deletion form. A course deletion form is now included. We also neglected to increase the number of required electives to keep our program at 70 credits. Please see program change form attached.~~
2. We request a prerequisite change for PLCY 818.

All relevant documents for these change are attached for the consideration of the FASS Graduate Studies Committee.

~~EDSC has also submitted a memo to SGSC (dated Aug 8, 2023) to confirm FASSGSC's approval of the deletion of PLCY 804.~~



Kora DeBeck

School of Public Policy Faculty Graduate Chair

## Graduate Course Change

Attach a separate document if more space is required.

Course Subject/Number	PLCY 818	Units	5	Effective Term and Year	Summer 2024
Course Title	QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR PUBLIC ANALYSTS				
Rationale for Change:	PLCY805 no longer reflects the requirements as a prerequisite				

### Proposed Changes (Check all that apply)

Course number
  Units\*
  Title
  Description
  Prerequisite
  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Complete only the fields to be changed

FROM	TO
Course Subject/Number	Course Subject/Number
Units	Units*
Course Title	Course Title (max 100 characters)
Course Short Title	Course Short Title (max 30 characters)
Description	Description
Prerequisite Prerequisite: PLCY 805 and PLCY 806 or MPP 805 and MPP 806, or equivalent	Prerequisite PLCY 806 or equivalent with instructor's permission
Other	Other



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## ▶ CONTACT PERSON

Department / School / Program School of Public Policy	Contact name Kora DeBeck	Contact email kdebeck@sfu.ca
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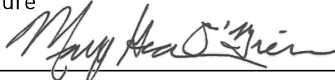
## ▶ DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

Department Graduate Program Committee Kora DeBeck	Signature 	Date Aug 3, 2023
Department Chair Genevieve LeBaron	Signature 	Date August 8, 2023

## ▶ FACULTY APPROVAL

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) K. Slaney	Signature 	Date Aug. 8, 2023
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## ▶ SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) Mary O'Brien	Signature 	Date November 15, 2023
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If different from regular units:  
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## MEMORANDUM

**ATTENTION:** SGSC

**FROM:** Arne Eigenfeldt, Chair, FCAT GSC

**RE:** Items to be added to the SGSC Meeting Agenda

**DATE:** September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

FCAT GSC has voted to approve the following change at the FCAT GSC meeting that occurred on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

**Masters of Digital Media:**

- DMED503 Foundations of Game Design Course Change – (pp. 2 - 4)

Please add this item and additional materials to your next meeting agenda.

Effective Summer 2024

Thank you.

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Arne Eigenfeldt, D.M.  
Associate Dean, Academic,  
FCAT Chair, FCAT GSC

cc Dave Fracchia, MDM

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## MEMO

Date:	03/27/2023
To:	Senate Committee on Graduate Studies Associate Dean - Academic, Arne Eigenfeldt
From:	Ted Gervan, Managing Director – Centre for Digital Media - Master of Digital Media Dave Fracchia – Faculty and GSC Chair – Master of Digital Media
Subject:	Course Change DMED503

Dear Senate Committee on Graduate Studies,

Please facilitate the following course change proposal for DMED503 Foundations of Game Design which is now ready for review by FCAT and the Senate Graduate Studies Committee.

Please place these proposals on the agenda for the upcoming meeting of the Faculty of Communication, Art, and Technology's Graduate Studies Committee.

Thank you so much in advance.

**Dr. Dave Fracchia** (he/him)  
Faculty (GSC Chair)

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## Graduate Course Change

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Course Subject/Number	DMED503	Units	3	Effective Term and Year	Summer 2024
Course Title	Foundations of Game Design				
Rationale for Change:	Update to course title and course description to broaden the scope of gamification to other applications outside of games.				

**Proposed Changes (Check all that apply)**

Course number  
  Units\*  
  Title  
  Description  
  Prerequisite  
  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete only the fields to be changed**

FROM	TO		
Course Subject/Number	DMED503	Course Subject/Number	DMED503
Units	3	Units*	3
Course Title	Foundations of Game Design	Course Title (max 100 characters)	Game Design and Gamification
Course Short Title	Foundations of Game Design	Course Short Title (max 30 characters)	Game Design and Gamification
Description	Game design is a seminar and project-based course that teaches the mechanics and processes of game design. The principles learned in this class apply equally well to card games, board games, party games, athletic games and computer games. Students analyze many types of games and design many games of their own, alone and in groups, using these principles.	Description	Game Design and Gamification explores what motivates people, what constitutes "fun", and how through these principles we can create more meaningful and engaging experiences. Primarily, we will focus on video games, ranging from indie to AAA, mobile to VR, to understand the core concepts of game design and discuss how these can be applied to other interactive forms through gamification. We will cover various aspects of games including mechanics, emotion, agency, balance, and player motivation through practical in-class activities, game deconstructions, and projects. In these projects, students will work in teams to design, prototype, and test their own games, with a focus on user-centred design and iteration. Projects will be iterative, with multiple rounds of feedback and revision, and will culminate in a final presentation where students will present their games to the class and invited guests.
Prerequisite		Prerequisite	
Other		Other	

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Department Graduate Program Committee Ted Gervan	Signature 	Date 03/27/2023
Department Chair Dave Fracchia	Signature 	Date 03/27/2023

## ▶ FACULTY APPROVAL

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) Arne Eigenfeldt	Signature 	Date 04/11/2023
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SFU**MEMO**Faculty of  
Science

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ATTENTION: Senate Graduate Studies Committee

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FROM: Vance Williams, Associate Dean Graduate Studies,  
Faculty of Science

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RE: Proposed Course Changes ~~and Additions~~ from Faculty of  
Science

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DATE: August 9, 2023

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Dear SGSC,

The following curriculum change has been approved by the Faculty of Science and are being submitted to the Senate Graduate Studies committee for approval.

~~The following course deletion has been proposed:~~  
~~**CHEM 864** Quantum Chemistry~~

The following *course change* has been proposed:  
**PHYS 846** Nonlinear Physics

Enclosed are the documents in support of these changes.

Sincerely,



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Vance Williams  
Associate Dean Graduate Studies, Faculty of Science



MEMO

**ATTENTION** Vance Williams, Associate Dean, Graduate Studies

**FROM** Nancy Forde, Graduate Program Chair, Physics

**RE** Minor course change, Phys 846

**DATE** June 1, 2023

I am writing regarding a minor change to the course PHYS 846, “Nonlinear Physics” that is offered in the Department of Physics. The change is to remove pre-requisites for the course. Currently, the required pre-requisite is PHYS 384, “Methods of Theoretical Physics”, a third year course on mathematical methods in Physics. The rationale for removing the pre-requisite is two-fold:

- 1) Most graduate students in the Department of Physics did not complete their undergraduate education at SFU and hence have not taken PHYS 384, leading to additional administrative work to register them in the course.
- 2) Students who have been admitted to the graduate program in Physics have usually covered material essentially equivalent to PHYS 384 as part of their undergraduate degree.

Hence, the pre-requisite serves no useful purpose, and the department has voted to eliminate it.

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Dr. Nancy Forde  
Graduate Program Chair

## Graduate Course Change

Attach a separate document if more space is required.

Course Subject/Number PHYS 846	Units 3	Effective Term and Year Summer <del>2023</del> 2024
Course Title Nonlinear Physics		
Rationale for Change: Removal of prerequisite that can be assumed for graduate students enrolling in the course.		

### Proposed Changes (Check all that apply)

Course number  
  Units\*  
  Title  
  Description  
  Prerequisite  
  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Complete only the fields to be changed

FROM	TO
Course Subject/Number	Course Subject/Number
Units	Units*
Course Title	Course Title (max 100 characters)
Course Short Title	Course Short Title (max 30 characters)
Description	Description
Prerequisite PHYS 384 or equivalent	Prerequisite None
Other	Other



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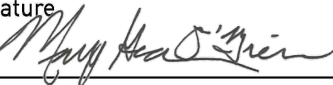
## DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

Department Graduate Program Committee Nancy Forde	Signature 	Date 1 June 2023
Department Chair Barbara Enslin	Signature 	Date June 1 2023

## FACULTY APPROVAL

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) Vance Williams	Signature 	Date August 9, 2023
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