

Simon Fraser University

Dean of Student Services & Registrar

Memorandum

To: Senate

From: Ron Heath BAC Constraints of Student Services & Registrar

Subject: 1999/2000 Schedule of Dates

Date: November 18, 1998

During the discussions at the last meeting of Senate regarding S.98-93 (attached), there was a request that I prepare an alternative schedule for the Summer Semester that added a Monday at the end of the semester to somewhat compensate for the loss of teaching days because of the Victoria Day and Canada Day holidays which, in 2000, both fall on Monday. The attached **Schedule 1** follows the pattern that has been in place for several years for scheduling during the Summer Semester. Classes conclude on Friday with examinations starting on the following Monday. **Schedule 2** provides for classes ending on Monday with a one-day break before the start of examinations on Wednesday. Note that this accommodation will not always be possible since in some years, depending on the start date of the summer semester and that year's calendar, this Monday may itself be a holiday – B. C. Day. In 2000, B. C. Day falls in the middle of examinations; in the recently concluded 1998-2 semester, classes concluded on Friday July 31, and examinations commenced on Tuesday, August 4 following the Monday, August 3 B. C. Day holiday.

The net effect of adding the Monday as the last teaching day is to extend the examination and grades submission dates from Tuesday, August 15 (Schedule 1) to Friday, August 18. This affects the break available to faculty and students between the end of the summer semester and the start of the fall semester.

I have not shortened the length of the examination period during the summer semester and I strongly advise against doing so. The current regulation designating 10 days for examinations was set in 1984, at a time when the fall and spring enrolment for the University was somewhat comparable to our current summer semester enrolment. (Actual headcounts - Fall 84-3: 11,198; Spring 85-1: 10,676; and Summer 98-2: 10,111.) Reducing the number of examination days will inevitably lead to more consecutive examinations for students since the number of available timeslots would be reduced by 10%.

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules, gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION:

"that Senate adopt the Schedule of Dates for 1999/2000 as set out in Schedule 2"



SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY Office of the Registrar MEMORANDUM

То:	Senate
From:	Alison Watt, Secretary, SCAR
Subject:	Calendar Committee - progress report and Recommendation on
	Schedule of Dates for 1999/2000
Date:	21 October, 1998

SCAR received a report from the Registrar and Dean of Student Services, Mr. Ron Heath on the establishment of a Calendar Committee. Mr. Heath supported the establishment of such a Committee and the proposed membership was tentatively approved by SCAR. It was agreed that the proposal should be developed in more detail, and to that end, Mr. Heath was asked to prepare Terms of Reference and reporting structure for the Committee that will be considered at the next meeting of SCAR. The intent is to have this included as an agenda item for the December meeting of Senate and thereafter, to establish the Committee as quickly as possible.

It seems clear that it was the wish of Senate that matters relating to the scheduling for the academic year should be referred to this Committee. However, there is a pressing need to identify the schedule of dates for the 1999/2000 academic year (99-3, 2000-1 and 2000-2) and make them widely available to the University community. SCAR supported the recommendation to forward the proposed schedule of dates for 1999/2000 to Senate for approval at this time. The schedule for 2000/2001 will be held until it can be presented to the (proposed - subject to approval) calendar committee.

Mr. Heath reported that the schedule of dates proposed for 1999/2000 conforms to Senate policies in the Fall Semester. The 2000-1 Semester includes a two day reading break at the end of week six of the semester but the two days are added to the start of the semester so there is no reduction in class time resulting from the reading break. In both cases, the days involved are Thursday and Friday. The Summer 2000-2 Semester is typical of Summer Semester schedules.

SCAR therefore recommends to Senate:

Motion

that the Schedule of Dates for the academic year 1999/2000 (99-3, 2000-1 and 2000-2) as recommended by the Registrar and set out in the attached documentation be approved by Senate.

Attachments

SCHEDULE OF DATES 1999-3/2000-2

Fall Semester 1999-3

Monday, September 6 Tuesday, September 7 Monday, October 11 Thursday, November 11 Monday, December 6 Wednesday, December 8 Saturday, December 18 Wednesday, December 22 Thursday, December 23 Friday, December 24 Monday, December 27 Tuesday, December 28

Spring Semester 2000-1

Monday, January 3 Thursday, January 6 Thursday, February 17 Friday, February 18 Friday, April 7 Monday, April 10 Thursday, April 20 Friday, April 21 Monday, April 24 Tuesday, April 25 Wednesday, April 26 Thursday, April 27

Summer Semester 2000-2

Monday, May 1 Monday, May 22 Thursday, June 8 Friday, June 9 Monday, July 3 Friday, July 28 Monday, July 31 Monday, August 7 Friday, August 17 Tuesday, August 15 Wednesday, August 16 Thursday, August 17 Labour Day. Offices closed Classes commence Thanksgiving Day. Classes cancelled, offices closed Remembrance Day. Classes cancelled, offices closed Classes end Examination period commences Examination period ends Final grade submission deadline Semester end evaluation All grades released In lieu of Christmas Day. Offices closed In lieu of Boxing Day. Offices closed

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