

# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.76-90

## MEMORANDUM

To.....	SENATE	From.....	SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES
Subject.....	NEW COURSE PROPOSAL: AME.001-3, A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the Middle East	Date.....	JULY 20, 1976

Action taken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of July 13, 1976 gives rise to the following motion:

### MOTION

That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, Africa/Middle East Studies 001-3 - A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the Middle East, as set forth in Paper S.76-90.

NOTE: It was observed that Africa/Middle East Studies is the least enrolled of the area studies minor programs and a question was raised regarding the scale of interest and allocation of resources. The Dean indicated that upper division seminars in Africa/Middle East Studies are reasonably enrolled and that the overall low enrolment may be ameliorated by the creation of a <sup>high</sup> ~~low~~ enrolment survey course such as AME. 001-3. The Committee was assured that the Department of History has been supportive of the course development and staffing, that mounting of this course would not militate against further development in other area studies programs, and that Africa/Middle East Studies represents an area of major concentration in SFU Library holdings.

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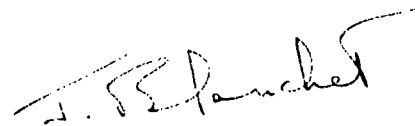
To	Mr. H.M. Evans, Registrar & Secretary of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies	From	J. Blanchet, Secretary of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Subject	New Course Proposal AME 001-3	Date	June 14, 1976

A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the Middle East  
I.S.C. 76-8

The Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee has reviewed and approved the attached new course proposal, and I am forwarding it to you for inclusion on the agenda of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies.

Attachment

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: ~~African~~ / Middle Eastern

Abbreviation Code: AME. Course Number: 001 Credit Hours: 3 Vector: 2-1-0 Studies

Title of Course: A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the Middle East.

Calendar Description of Course: An introduction to the problems stemming from human distribution, language, religious belief, past and present political patterns, educational systems and economic conditions, and how these problems are viewed by different disciplines.

Nature of Course Two lectures and one tutorial each week.

Prerequisites (or special instructions): Nil.

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? Each fall semester.

Semester in which the course will first be offered? Fall, 1977.

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? P. Stigger and faculty involved in AME. Studies.

Objectives of the Course The major objective is to provide students interested in Africa and the Middle East with an effective but general multi-disciplinary introduction to the area at an early point in their academic career and thereby encourage them to take courses in disciplines other than that of their majors. The course is crucial to the development of the existing Minor in AME. Studies and to any future Major.

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty Release time for P. Stigger.

Staff Nil.

Library Existing library facilities developed within disciplines are adequate.

Audio Visual Nil.

Space One lecture hall twice a week and three tutorial rooms each week.

Equipment Nil.

5. Approval

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

June 14 / 76

July 12 / 76

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Department Chairman

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Dean

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Chairman, SCUS

Draft outline: AME. 001-3, Fall, 1977.

A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the  
Middle East.

The course is intended to introduce students to problems in Africa and the Middle East stemming from language, religion, and geographical conditions, as well as from recent political history, and to introduce them to the variety of approaches which can be adopted by various disciplines.

The course thus falls into two parts, the first concerned with general issues and the second with specific topics.

The anchor instructor will give the lectures in part I while colleagues in the appropriate discipline will present the lectures in part II: the anchor instructor will conduct all tutorials and be responsible for associated course work.

Lectures:

Part I

1. Human Distribution
2. Languages
3. Religious belief
4. Late Colonial Political Patterns
5. Modern Political Structures
6. Modern Internal Social, Political and Economic Pressures
7. Educational systems
8. The Physical background
9. Climate and Water

10. *Soils and Crops*
11. *Fish, Game and Livestock*
12. *Diseases: Human, Stock and Crop*
13. *Mineral Resources*
14. *Communications*

Part II

15. *Archaeology: Its uses, abuses and limitations*
16. *Geography: Lacunae in knowledge*
17. *Anthropology: Classifications and their meaning*
18. *Sociology: The Middle East*
19. *Sociology: Black Africa*
20. *History: The Arab Reaction to Colonialism and Imperialism*
21. *History: The Black African Reaction to Colonialism and Imperialism*
22. *English: Literature as a Means of Social and/or Political Expression*
23. *Economics: Development Issues in the Middle East*
24. *Economics: Development Issues in Black Africa*
25. *A Middle Eastern Issue*
26. *A Black African Issue*

General course books will be:

Jean Duvignaud: *Change at Shebika*

P.C. Lloyd: *Africa in Social Change*

*Other readings will be recommended in support of specific topics.*

*e.g. J.J. McKelvey: Man against the Tsetse*

*E. Gregerson: Language in Africa - An  
Introductory Survey*

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To *Mr. H.M. Evans, Registrar &*

From *J. Blanchet, Secretary*

*Secretary to the Senate Committee  
on Undergraduate Studies*

*Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee*

Subject *Library Resources*

Date *May 26, 1976*

*Attached please find a copy of our memo to Larry Thomas, Collections Librarian, and his reply, with regard to library resources for proposed new courses AME. 001, FPA. 114, FPA. 250.*

*Attachments*

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# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

## MEMORANDUM

To	J. Blanchet, Secretary Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee	From	Larry Thomas Collections Librarian
Subject	NEW COURSE PROPOSALS	Date	25th May 1976

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The course proposals contained here have been reviewed by the appropriate collections librarians. They report the current holdings are adequate.

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## MEMORANDUM

To *Mr. Larry Thomas*  
*Assistant Librarian*  
Subject *New Course Proposals*

From *J. Blanchet, Secretary*  
*Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies*  
*Undergraduate Curriculum Committee*  
Date *May 19, 1976*

*Attached are new course proposals for the following courses:*

- AME. 001 - A Multi-disciplinary Introduction to Africa and the Middle East*
- FPA. 114 - The Arts in Context: The Modernist Era*
- FPA. 250 - Dramatic Interpretation I*

*These proposals were presented to the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Curriculum Committee for furtherance to the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies. Please let us know whether the necessary resources are available in the Library.*

**Attachments**

*J. Blanchet*

**JB/jk**

# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

## MEMORANDUM

To See distribution below.

From J. Weinkam, Chairman

Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Subject I.S.C. 76-8 (Title of Course:  
A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY INTRODUCTION TO

Date May 7, 1976

AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST)

In accordance with the ruling of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, the attached paper is forwarded to faculty curriculum committees for review in terms of course overlap.

*Distribution:*

L. Boland, Chairman, Faculty of Arts  
Curriculum Committee  
M. Wideen, Chairman, Faculty of Education  
Curriculum Committee  
D. Ryeburn, Chairman, Faculty of Science  
Curriculum Committee

*Attachment.*

cc: H.M. Evans, Registrar & Secretary of  
Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

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