

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.74-93

MEMORANDUM

To SENATE

To

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE

From

~~STUDIES~~

Subject COURSE PROPOSAL - GEOGRAPHY 460-5 -

Subject

SELECTED REGIONS

JULY 26, 1974

Date

MOTION 1: "That Senate approve, as set forth in S.74-93, the new course proposal for Geography 460-5 - Selected Regions."

MOTION 2: "That Senate waive the normal two semester time lag requirements in order that Geography 460-5. may be first offered in the Fall semester 1974."

(Note: It is understood that if this course is approved, Geography 460-5 can be offered in one form only during any given period. It is further noted that the intent is to drop Geography 463-5, 465-5, 466-5 and 468-5 as further appropriate program changes are made.)

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To SENATE

From Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

Subject

Date July 26, 1974

At its meeting of 23rd July, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies considered the attached new course proposal for Geography 460-5: Selected Regions. This proposal is now transmitted to Senate for its consideration; and the Committee recommends that it be approved.

Should this proposal be approved by Senate, the Committee further recommends that the normal two semester time lag requirement be waived so that Geography 460-5 may first be offered in the Fall semester, 1974.

The Committee wishes to draw the attention of Senate to a number of questions arising from this proposal. First, after some discussion, the Committee agreed that, if approved, Geography 460-5 could be offered in one form only during any given period. Thus, although the course may cover different areas at different times, the Department would not be permitted to offer different seminars in different regions concurrently. Second, the course proposal calls for the dropping of a number of courses from the Calendar should this proposal be approved. Following some discussion, however, the Committee agreed that it would indicate to Senate that it was the intention of the Department to do this but that, in view of the extensive program revisions being undertaken in the Geography Department of which this proposal was merely part, the existing regional courses would be retained in the Calendar for the time being.

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SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

SCUS 74-32

MEMORANDUM

As amended and approved
by SCUS July 23, 1974

To Mr. H. Evans

From I. Mugridge

Registrar

Assistant Vice-President, Academic

Subject Course Proposal - Geography
460-5 - Selected Regions

Date July 16, 1974

I am attaching a copy of material on the above proposal from the Geography Department, submitted by the Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee. This should be placed on the agenda of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies as soon as possible.

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SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To Dr. I. Mugridge, Chairman,
Senate Committee on Under-
Graduate Studies

From W.A.S. Smith, Dean,
Faculty of Arts

Subject Course Proposal - Geography
460-5 - Selected Regions

Date July 12, 1974.

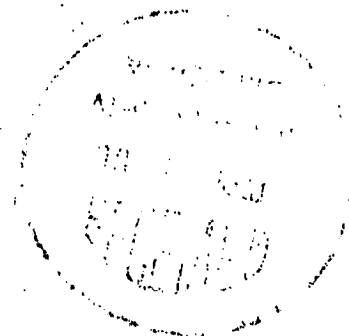
The course proposal from the Geography Department noted below has been approved by the Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its meeting of June 13, 1974 and has subsequently been ratified by the Faculty.

Would you therefore please place this proposal on the agenda of the next SCUS meeting.

Thank you.


W.A.S. Smith

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Attachment:
Geography 460-5, Selected Regions



SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

Calendar Information

Department: Geography

Abbreviation Code: GEOG Course Number: 460 Credit Hours: 5 Vector: 2-3-0

Title of Course: Selected Regions

Calendar Description of Course:

A study of the geographical character of a major world region. NOTE:
This course may not be counted more than once toward the degree.

Nature of Course One 2-hour lecture and one 3-hour seminar

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

At least sixty semester hours Geography
credit including completion of 12 hours of/Division A courses.

What course (courses), if any, is being dropped from the calendar if this course is approved:

Geography 463-5, 465-5, 466-5, 468-5. Intent is to drop as further program changes are made.

2. Scheduling

How frequently will the course be offered? Yearly

Semester in which the course will first be offered? Fall 1974

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible?

All faculty from time to time.

3. Objectives of the Course

An examination of the geographical character of a major world area; its resources and their use; the course will present an application of the methods of geography to the study of selected regions.

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty The frequency of course offerings in the Geography Undergraduate Curriculum has been modified to accommodate the
Staff faculty, staff and space requirements of this course.
Library Library and Audio Visual materials required for this course
Audio Visual are presently available in the University. No additional
Space equipment is necessary.
Equipment

5. Approval

Date: 4 June 74

July 15 1974
W. G. O. Faust

R. C. Brown
Department Chairman

Dean

Chairman, SCUS

Course Outline
Middle East - Geography 460

Course Perspective

The course format is formulated to evoke involvement by all participants in investigation of the social ecology of the Middle East and to explicate those aspects of geography which contribute to the complexity of the Middle Eastern cultural tapestry. When possible and desirable emphasis will be placed on interpreting the functional cases of socio-economic and political aspects of Middle Eastern cultural institutions, and examination of the impact of westernization on traditional practices.

Reading

Required: Coon, Carlton, Caravan: Study of the Middle East, Holt Rinehart and Winston (Paper, if available)

Taylor, Alice (ed.) Focus on the Middle East, Burns MacEachern (paper)
National Geographic Society

Recommended: Longrigg, Stephen H., The Middle East Aldine, Atherton (paper)

Other: Briggs, Lloyd C. Tribes of the Sahara, Cambridge, Mass. Harvard, 1960

Fisher, William B., The Middle East: A Physical, Social and Regional Geography, London, Methuen, (revised)

Frankfort, Henri, (et.al.) Before Philosophy, Penguin (paper), 1974

Furon, Raymond, La Proche-Orient, Paris Payat, 1951

Gibb, H.A.R. and Bowen, Harold, Islamic Society and the West, London, Oxford University Press, 1963

Gibb, H.A.R., Mohammadenism, New York, Galaxy (paper) 1962

Gruen, G.E., Water and Politics in the Middle East, New York, American Jewish Committee, 1964

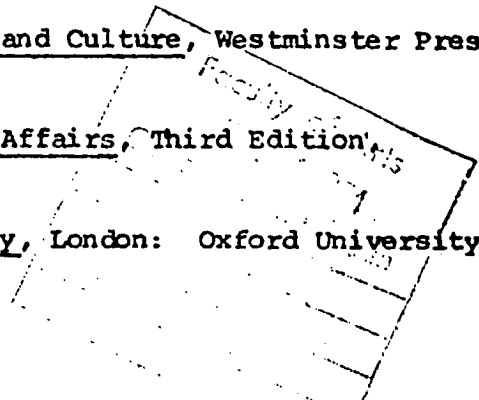
Grunnebaum, G.E., Islam Essays in Nature and Growth of a Cultural Tradition, New York, Barnes Nobel, 1961

Issawi, Charles and M. Yeganeh, The Economics of Middle Eastern Oil Praeger, 1967

Juri, Edward, The Middle East: Its Religion and Culture, Westminster Press, 1956

Lenczowski, George, The Middle East in World Affairs, Third Edition, Ithaca, Cornell University Press, 1962

Lewis, Bernard, The Emergence of Modern Turkey, London: Oxford University Press, 1965



Moorehead, Alan, The Blue Nile, New York Pocket Books (paper) 1962

Moorehead, Alan, The White Nile, New York, Pocket Books, (paper) 1963

Nolte, Richard (ed.), The Modern Middle East, Atherton, New York, 1963

Rivlin, Benjamin and Joseph, Szyliowicz (eds.) The Contemporary Middle East
New York Random House, 1965

Stevens, Georgiana, "Jordan River Partition", Revised edition, Pamphlet
number 506, Stanford California, The Hoover Institute

United Nations, Population and Vital Statistics, Report, New York, 1972,
United Nations

Warriner, Doreen, Land and Poverty in the Middle East, London Royal Institute
of International Affairs, 1948

Warriner, Doreen, Land Reform and Development in the Middle East: A
Study of Egypt, Syria and Iraq. (Second Edition) London Oxford University
Press, 1962

Reference Works, Encyclopedia of Islam, 4 vols.

Periodicals, The Middle East Journal, Middle East Affairs, Muslim World

Organization and Requirements

Interpretive lectures will be presented twice weekly, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Afternoon sessions will meet twice weekly in a tutorial/pro-seminar format. During the early weeks of the semester the afternoon sessions will provide an opportunity for extending discussion of the lectures, but from the second week on will be devoted to inquiry of central themes, a discussion of participant investigation topics and involvement in Middle-Eastern esthetics. A mid-semester examination and two brief essays will be the basis for grading.

Lecture

- July 3 Perception of the Middle Eastern Circumference
- July 3 Environmental and Demographic Patterns of the Middle East
- July 5 Prehistoric emergence and the diffusion of cultural characteristics
- July 5 Pre-Islamic and Islamic cultural backgrounds
- July 10 The Emergence and Evolution of regionalism
- July 12 The evolving Islam and the rise of Arab nationalism
- July 17 Religious and ethnic patterns of the Middle-East
- July 19 The resource endowment and its impact on human activity patterns
- July 24 Economic development and reclamation projects
- July 26 Political geography, partisanism, and minority nationalism
- July 31 The regional infrastructure: Egypt and the Levant
- Aug. 2 Regional infrastructure: The Northern Tier
- Aug. 7 Regional infrastructure: Arabia and the South
- Aug. 9 Review

FALL 1974 COURSE OUTLINE

Australia

This course is designed to introduce students to the geography of Australia. It will examine the physical and cultural character of its geography and trace the country's development from colonial outpost to a modern industrial and highly-urbanised state.

Geog. 466 will be presented by seminar and film series with minimal use of formal lectures. Formal lectures will terminate by the end of the third week of classes. Students will be required to undertake a relatively heavy reading load and present at least two seminars on topics specified by the Instructor.

Grades - will be assigned on the basis of:

seminar assessment	15%
term paper	35%
final examination	50%

Term Paper - each student will present a term paper on:

a) a topic of her/his choice provided the title is proposed to and approved by the Instructor on or before September 30, 1974.

or b) a topic specified by the Instructor.

All term papers must be submitted for marking no later than 5 p.m. on November 29, 1974.

Final Examination - There will be a three-hour final examination at the end of the semester.

Course Topics -

1. The physical environment
 - a) outline of a continent
 - b) geology and topography
 - c) soils and vegetation
 - d) climate
2. Early discovery and exploration
3. Colonisation and early settlement patterns
4. Riding on the sheeps' back - "the outback"
5. A developing agricultural economy - diversification and expansion; physical and economic influences
6. Urban Australia: metropolitan Sydney - a case study
7. Manufacturing: the growing importance of mineral resources.
8. Economic growth, international trade.
9. Selected Topics.
10. An overview: Australia and the Australians.

Selected Topics -

A number of selected topics will be treated as seminar material; a list of probable topics appears below. The list will be increased or decreased depending on the size of the class.

Selected Topics

1. Immigration and migrants in Australian society.
2. Aborigines in Australian society.
3. Australia's role in New Guinea's development.
4. Education and training in Australia.
5. Australian constitutional arrangements and politics.
6. The water problem - irrigation areas and water conservation.
7. Industrial relations and the trade union movement in Australia.
8. Population - growth and distribution.
9. The forestry industry in Australia.
10. The fishing industry in Australia.
11. The mineral industry in Australia.
12. The travel and tourist industry in Australia.
13. Land tenure and settlement in Australia.
14. Electric power generation and distribution in Australia.
15. Transport and communication in Australia.
16. International relations.
17. The dairy industry in Australia.
18. The beef industry in Australia.
19. The Great Barrier Reef.
20. The sugar industry in Queensland.

Film Series -

- Sept. 16 The Big Island; Where Dead Men Live; Exploration 1770, Reviewed 1970
- Sept. 23 The aborigines of Australia; Desert People
- 30 Walking in the Sunlight, walking in the Shadows; Desert Landforms
- Oct. 7 Man in the Desert; Dealing with Drought; Underground River
- 21 Austinmere: wheat and sheep farm; Wide Pastures; The Line Across Australia.
- 28 A Spoonful of Sugar; The Northern Territory
- Nov. 4 Unknown Land; Northern Territory Mining; Australia Now; The Australian Way.
- 18 Tempo - Australia in the 70's; Snowy; Roof Topics; Faces of the City.
- 25 Urban Patterns; Tomorrow's Canberra; From the Tropics to the Snow;
Nature's Strangest Creatures.

Text - Anatomy of Australia; 1968, H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburghs Third Commonwealth Study Conference, Sun Books, Melbourne.

Information - See Dr. E. G. Hickin, Rm. 7140, Department of Geography.

COURSE OUTLINE

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Required Reading

Island Continent, 1972, A. Grenfell Price, Angus & Robertson, Sydney.

Recommended Reading

The Australian Environment, 1970, G.W. Leeper, C.S.I.R.O. & M.U.P., Melbourne.

Course Outline (Preliminary)

Geography of Africa (South of Sahara)

Introduction The course examines geographical problems in Africa south of the Sahara, following a brief review of the Continent in terms of physical setting, classical economic and cultural modes and demographic realities. The West African region will be considered in greater depth.

Schedule Each week, two two-hour sessions on Mondays at 3:30 to 5:20 and Wednesdays at 12:30 - 2:30 in 6101 CC. To Week 7, each session will carry a one-hour lecture and one-hour tutorial type session with topic material presented by class member. From Week 8, each session will carry a presentation and discussion by individual or, preferably, from members of the course. More on suggested topics below. Films will involve some disruption of this 'model' schedule!

<u>Grades</u>	Based on	Tutorial, presentation etc.	50%
		Term paper	50%
			100%

Recommended Texts

Content and treatment overlap considerably in these standard texts. Be selective!

Harrison-Church, R.J. et. al.	1971	<u>Africa and the Islands</u>	3rd edition J.Wiley, paperback
Hodder, B.W. & D.R. Harris (eds.)	1967	<u>Africa in Transition</u>	Methuen, paperback
O'Connor, A.M.	1971	<u>Geography of Tropical African Development</u>	Pergamon, Commonwealth Int. Library series paperback

An additional list of readings & sources - on 'reserve' or normally available in the library will be given first semester week.

<u>Weekly arrangements</u>		a) formal lecture	b) topic presentation
<u>Week 1</u>	Monday Sept. 10 Wednesday	a) Introduction. Interest in Africa? and film. a) Physical and spatial background - traditional approach and film.	
<u>Week 2</u>	Monday Sept. 17 Wednesday	a) Geographical background - Historical. b) Select - vital aspects of Physical or spatial geography in sub-Saharan Africa. a) Geographical background - Colonial impact; Demographic trends. b) Select - vital aspects of past - internal 'kingdoms' and/or exploration - development.	

- Week 3 Monday Sept. 24 a) Economic theory and reality.
Wednesday b) Select - specific Colonial impact theme eg. German, Portuguese or specific population trends.
a) First things last! Cultural patterns.
b) Select - specific aspects - development economics eg. Ghana, Tanzania and current states.
- Week 4 Monday Oct. 1 a) E. Africa I - classical geographical framework (ie. physical, cultures and history, economics)
b) The possibilities of a cohesive culture in an 'artificial' state (country).
- Week 5 Monday Oct. 8 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY!
Wednesday a) Central Africa I & II (as per E. Africa) and film.
- Week 6 Monday Oct. 15 a) S. Africa I and film.
Wednesday a) S. Africa II
b) Selection - specific (or general) aspects of development problems in E. or Central Africa.
- Week 7 Monday Oct. 22 a) W. Africa I and films.
Wednesday a) W. Africa II.
b) Development aspect or status in S. Africa - refer to Apartheid policy and/or gold and world demand.
- Group/individual presentation time - other things being equal!
- Week 8 Monday Oct.29 W. Africa a) Pre-colonial influences.
Wednesday b) European impact - the lure of tropical oils.
- Week 9 Monday Nov. 5 c) Unity - or aspects of industrial, agricultural or military geography.
General a) Wildlife - ecology and tourism.
b) Urbanization - problems.
c) Religion - indigenous and imported.
- Week 10 Monday Nov. 12 d) Tribal themes - constraints or buffers.
Wednesday e) Factories or crafts for the future.
- Week 11 Monday Nov. 19 f) African culture(s) and Art.
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- Week 12 Monday Nov. 26 f) African culture(s) and Art.
Wednesday g) The ECM & Africa.
- Week 13 Monday Dec. 3 h) Unity and external Imperatives.
Wednesday REVIEW.