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MEMORANDUM

SENATE

From SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

Subject GRADUATE CALENDAR CHANGES -
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Date NOVEMBER 14, 1974

MOTION 1

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To: "Admission will be in the Fall or Spring Semester. Applications for the Spring must be completed by November 1, and for the Fall by March 1."

M.A. Program

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To: "In place of the thesis, three extended essays in the form of research papers will be submitted to the Examining Committee." "

To: Members of Senate

From: Office of the
Dean of Graduate
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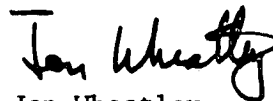
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This motion was approved by the Senate Graduate Studies Committee on November 4, 1974.



Jon Wheatley
Dean of Graduate Studies.

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Rationale:

This change, is in part, a response to comments by the Departmental Reviewers and, in part, an effort to make clear to applicants the criteria by which they will be judged. The departmental Graduate Studies Committee has, as a rule, not admitted students with less than a 3.25 average and the present statement in the calendar encourages applications which are unlikely to be successful.

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Rationale:

The requirement for the completion of M.A. by course will bring the History Department in line with university regulations (refer to sub-section 7.1 (b) of the Graduate Studies General Regulations).