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MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION: Senate

Elizabeth Elle, Vice-Chair, Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies FROM: Elmabet Elle

Course Changes (SCUS 23-01) RE:

DATE: January 6, 2023

For information:

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of January 5, 2023, SCUS approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2023.

a. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

1. Department of History

- (i) Course number, prerequisite, title, description and equivalent statement change for HIST 433W
- (ii) Course number, prerequisite, description and equivalent statement change for HIST 445

2. Department of Humanities

- (i) Title and description change for HUM 101W
- Deletion of HUM 103
- (iii) Description change for HUM 277
- (iv) Prerequisite change for HUM 349
- (v) Title and description change for HUM 359, and 387
- (vi) Units and description change for HUM 390
- (vii) Course number, description and equivalent statement changes for HUM 418

3. Department of Philosophy

(i) Deletion of Phil 477 and 478

4. Department of Political Science

(i) Equivalent statement changes for POL 443

5. Department of Psychology

- (i) Prerequisite change for PSYC 210
- (ii) Title change for PSYC 241
- (iii) Prerequisite and title change for PSYC 402

b. Beedie School of Business

(i) Prerequisite changes for BUS 393, 411, 473 and 474

c. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

- 1. School of Interactive Arts and Technology
- (i) Unit changes for IAT 309W, 312, 320, 333, 334, 336, 343, 344, 352, 359, 410, 431, 438, 443 and 445

d. Faculty of Environment

- 1. Department of Geography
 - (i) Prerequisite change for GEOG 251, 253 and 255

2. Faculty of Science

- 1. <u>Department of Earth Sciences</u>
 - (i) Title, description and prerequisite change for EASC 420 (SCUS 22-72c)
 - (ii) Prerequisite change for EASC 313
- 2. <u>Department of Physics</u>
 - (i) Prerequisite change for PHYS 365

Senators wishing to consult a more detailed report of curriculum revisions may do so on the Senate Docushare repository at https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-12682.





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This course is taught by Dr. Paul Garfinkel. His appointment has transferred from the History department to Global Humanities and History has agreed to transfer this course from HIST to HUM as part of that transfer.



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Changing the title of the department's introductory course to reflect the new department name: Global Humanities.



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The altered course description is required due to three developments. First, HUM 110 already provides the long-term perspective previously covered by HUM 277. Second, the narrower chronological focus of HUM 277 will bring it into alignment with our other second-year course offerings in the Hellenic Studies Certificate, which also possess narrower rather than broader chronological focuses (e.g., Antiquity or the modern age). Lastly, the narrower chronological focus will help highlight the linkages between Ancient Greece and the global resonance of its world in clearer ways. Given the Department of Global Humanities' focus on such points, the course will provide a solid foundation for our other offerings at the upper-division level.



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As well, removing the lower division history requisites aligns HUM 349 with other upper

division HUM courses (45 units).

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The change was initiated by the HIST department for the equivalent course HIST 359 for the following reason: "The change will broaden the scope and appeal of the course to students without materially changing it."



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Global humanities, including broader consideration of transnational and cross-cultural relevance of regional histories.



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Adding the variable units allows student more flexibility in how they wish to design their directed studies in consultation with faculty.



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The description better reflects the themes and approaches of the new concentrations in the Global Humanities Department. Course materials will be examined within a broader cultural context and theoretical framework.

Course number change to lower perceived enrollment barrier for non-HUM majors and to reflect the accessibility of this course to non-HUM students.



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SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

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The instructors of Psyc 210 and the members of the quantitative area agree that Psyc 210 (research methods) does not contain content that is required to successfully complete Psyc 210 but can be completed concurrently. This will allow for greater flexibility for students such that they can more quickly declare their psychology major (which requires completion of Psyc 201 and 210).





SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

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Updating course to encompass the Quantitative area as this is the upper division special topics course for the History, Quantitative and History area. We are removing the prerequisite of psyc 308 (History of Psychology) as it is not required for iterations of this course that focus on quantitative topics. Psyc 207 is defunct.



COURSE MODIFICATION FORM

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

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Allowing students admitted to the BBA program prior to Fall 2022 to use BUS 336 rather than BUS 373 as a pre-requisite for BUS 474 minimizes negative impacts on degree

progression and provides students with greater access to BUS 474.

SIAT Proposal for Course Unit Changes and Program Requirements Changes

Final: November 25, 2022

Author: Marek Hatala (UCC Chair)

Summary

UG programs in Interactive Arts and Technology are known for their interdisciplinarity: a mix of theoretical, practical, and experiential learning, with a strong focus on technological proficiency across several key disciplines comprising design, interactive systems, and new media. Being grounded on advanced computational technologies, the undergraduate courses require students to master multiple complex computing tools to develop their thinking and demonstrate their knowledge and skills. Many courses rely on team projects to overcome the barrier posed by the complexity of the tools and drive the need for teamwork to develop even basic-level assignments in these complex environments. As a result, SIAT students spend a significant amount of time on their courses, leading to a very low average of the number of courses taken per semester. This negatively contributes to the long graduation time, which sits stubbornly at 15.9 semesters to graduate (17.7 for students admitted from high school).

These facts were recognized in SIAT for some time. In 2018 a large-scale undergraduate survey mapped the weekly workload across SIAT courses. However, it was after SFU Senate's guidance for course hours per unit that clearly positioned those results outside of the upper end of the recommended range. In this proposal, by increasing the unit count for several SIAT upper division courses, we aim to re-align course time expectations for SIAT students with other students at SFU. This also results in changes to the program requirements which are accompanying this proposal.

Background

SIAT programs have 787 majors and 101 minors (IRP, 2021/22). SIAT majors take a long time to complete their degrees (see Figure 1). Our analysis showed there are several reasons for students to graduate late, including low course availability to complete the requirements (due to low faculty complement to the number of majors and type of courses taught), students not pursuing other minors because of unavailability of lower division prerequisite courses on Surrey campus, and workload in SIAT courses resulting in SIAT students taking on an average lower number of courses per semester than in other schools (source: Andrea Barbera, FCAT Director of Advising).

	2017/18	20
All Completers:		
Average Semesters to Complete Degree	16.5	

7. Time to IAT Baccalaureate Degree Completion (by Completion Year)

Completers Admitted from Secondary:					
Average Semesters to Complete Degree	18.5	17.7	18.8	18.2	17.7
Completers Admitted from Post-Secondary:					
Average Semesters to Complete Degree	12.7	12.8	14.0	13.0	12.9

2019/20

17.4

2020/21

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2021/22

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Figure 1. IAT graduation times

To address the availability issue, SIAT increased the number of upper-division courses, mainly by using sessional instructors, which resulted in a drop in UD courses taught by CFL to 58% (2021/22). We saw a slight improvement in the graduation rates, but these were minimal. In 2018 we conducted workload related survey (Survey 1) where 76 students provided 435 course ratings. In preparation for the external review, in Spring 2022, we conducted extensive surveys of undergraduate students (Survey 2, n=322) and alumni (Survey 3, n=138), with one focus question related to the workload. We report on the findings in the next section.

Course Time Demands

As stated in the introduction, grasping content in many SIAT courses requires mastering complex design and media tools. As a result, most SIAT courses are run in the two-hour lectures plus two-hour tutorial/labs mode. Additionally, students are expected to develop competency in the tools by working through tutorials such as those on LinkedIn Learning. Although this supports the flipped mode of instruction where contact time is devoting to instructor/student interaction, it places a time burden on the student. Secondly, most courses require a significant team component due to the complexity of the development environments for students' projects (such as VR, animation, interactive prototyping, and gaming). The team component, due to its logistics demands, is the second driver for the increase in workload.

As a result of the course demands, Study 1 found that many courses exceed the recent SFU Senate recommendation of 2-3 hours per unit. Figure 2 shows the student-reported workload from Study 1 for IAT courses at 300 and 400 levels (the data and possible changes in the lower division are being discussed). At present, all courses except 499 are 3-unit courses.

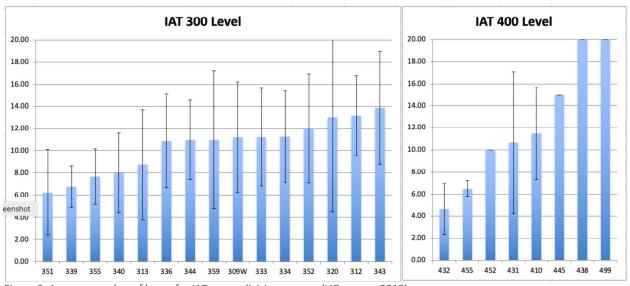


Figure 2. Average number of hours for IAT upper-division courses (UG survey, 2018)

The Spring 2022 survey asked the following question: 'Have you taken any SIAT courses where the amount of work was difficult to manage?'. 83.5% of students (269 out of 322 participants) answered affirmatively. The qualitative analysis of the answers found three main themes that contribute to unmanageable workload: course requirements and expectations, teamwork, and across-courses impacts (e.g., projects at the same time). One of the prominent themes from the alumni survey (Survey 3) pointed more directly to the solution, which showed concerns regarding course units being misaligned with the reality of the courses' workload.

To address the issue, we have examined each course indicated in all studies in which the workload did not align with SFU Senate's mandate of 2-3 hours per unit. In particular, we examined courses for potential overlaps and the pedagogical need for time-intensive team projects. After considering the adjustments, we advance the proposal for unit change to several IAT upper division courses and changes to the program requirements affected by the unit changes.

Proposal

Changes of course units

The units in the following courses should be set as follows shown in Table 1.

Table 1.	Proposed	unit assignment	for courses.

	From (units)	To (units)
IAT 309W	3	4
IAT 312	3	4
IAT 320	3	4
IAT 333	3	4
IAT 334	3	4
IAT 336	3	4
IAT 343	3	4
IAT 344	3	4
IAT 352	3	4
IAT 359	3	4
IAT 410	3	4
IAT 431	3	4
IAT 438	3	6
IAT 443	3	4
IAT 445	3	4

Note: The only course where we propose an increase to 6 units is IAT438. It is a studio-type course that functions as a capstone course for students with a focus on User Experience Design.

The projects developed in this course are substantial in nature and developed to the level of portfolio quality that enabled approximately three quarters of students to gain internships and/or employment in the industry. The student projects regularly win prices in professional user experience competitions such as Vancouver UX Design Industry Awards (2017 (2), 2018 (2), 2019 (1), and 2021 (1)). The average annual enrollment is approximately 40 students.

The units of the remaining 10 upper division courses are unchanged.

Changes to majors and second-degree program requirements

The change to course units affected several program requirements. The proposed changes aim to maintain the original mandate for SIAT programs, namely to provide interdisciplinary programs bridging computing, design, and media. With the increasing weight of individual courses, the minimum number of required courses will be lower, affecting the interdisciplinary mandate of the degree. This results in a change to the specification of the IAT UD requirements.

The current requirement of 30 IAT UD units, which worked together with the requirement of 24 units (BA or BSc) from the list of courses spanning two of three SIAT areas (media/design and design/interactive systems). With 3 unit courses and 30 IAT UD units requirement, the requirements warranted that students would have to take 9 courses from at least two disciplinary areas plus IAT309W. With the change of several courses to 4 units, and one course to 6 units, it would be possible to complete the degree with the 6+1 courses (6 could be from one area and IAT309W). The proposed change is to explicitly specify 9 required upper division courses (8 disciplinary courses + IAT309W), in addition to the requirement of a minimum of 30 units. The students may opt for a combination of 3 and 4-unit courses. If they choose only 3 unit courses and IAT309W, they will have to take 9 disciplinary courses (as it is the case at present), if they choose at least two other 4 unit courses, they can meet the requirements of 30 UD units and 9 required courses.

Changes to Honours programs

The changes to the Honours program mimic those outlined for the major.

Changes to Joint Major programs

Structurally, SIAT Joint Majors with Business and with Communication follow the same template. The requirement is based on taking 5 courses (15 units) from one of the concentrations and 6 additional UD units. The proposed change maintains the 21 UD unit requirement. The change replaces the 5-course requirement with a 15-units requirement.

Changes to the minor program No changes are required.

Attachments:

Program modification forms for 10 SIAT degrees.



COURSE MODIFICATION FORM

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expand. Please review the "Equivalency statements" section under <u>Information about specific course components</u> if changing equivalent statement(s).

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RATIONALE (must be included)

Over the past 8 years, interest in Petroleum Geology has waned considerably, even though subsurface energy extraction continues to provide most of the energy and raw materials for products used globally. The proposed change to the course title is intended to more clearly convey that this course evaluates more than petroleum resources. Over the years, the EASC 420 course has progressively included the closely related topics of CO_2 sequestration, fracking, unconventional resources, and LNG.

The revisions to the course description for EASC 420 updates and modernizes the wording of course content already being delivered to students. These course description changes more explicitly state the wide range of subsurface energy resources about which the students will learn. The description also makes it clear that the benefits and drawbacks associated with each form of energy extraction will be discussed.

Be aware that more than 90% of the overall course content remains essentially the same as that previously delivered. The proposed changes require only minor revisions to several of the existing lectures and the addition of 2 new lectures that will be focused on lithium brines and geothermal energy. Furthermore, there are no changes being made to the laboratory component of the course, as the techniques employed for evaluating the subsurface remain the same, regardless of the energy resource being evaluated.

The changes to the prerequisites are intended to expand the accessibility of EASC 420 to Earth Science students, as the course is offered only every second year. The areas of background knowledge deemed necessary for successful completion of EASC 420 include: 1) sedimentology (EASC 302) and/or stratigraphy (EASC 312), and 2) subsurface fluid flow (EASC 304). Note that EASC 201 is a prerequisite for *both* EASC 302 and EASC 312, and so needs not be included in prerequisite list.

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Prerequisite: EASC 101, 204 or permission of the instructor. All, with a grade of C- or better.

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TO: EASC 313 Introduction to Soil and Rock Engineering

An introduction to the engineering properties and behavior of soil and rock. Laboratory and field measurements of soil and rock properties. Applications in engineering design will be illustrated with case studies of slope stability, road design, foundations and underground excavations. Emphasis will be placed on the importance of soil and rock mechanics in the resources sector.

Prerequisite: EASC 204 with a grade of C- or better.

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EASC 101 is a prerequisite for EASC 210, which is the prerequisite for EASC 204 and therefore listing it is unnecessary. This clarifies the prerequisite for students, many of whom believed that "EASC 101, 204 or permission of the instructor" could be read as "EASC 101 or EASC 204".



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