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**MEMORANDUM**

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ATTENTION Senate

DATE December 12, 2019

FROM Jeff Derksen,  
Chair of Senate Graduate Studies  
Committee (SGSC)

RE: Course Changes



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**For information:**

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of December 3, 2019, SGSC approved the following curriculum item, effective **Fall 2020**:

**Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology**  
School of Communication

- 1) Course change (units, title, description): CMNS 860



**MEMORANDUM**

<b>ATTENTION:</b>	Senate Graduate Studies Committee
<b>FROM:</b>	Philippe Pasquier, Chair, FCAT Graduate Studies Committee
<b>RE:</b>	FCAT Graduate Course Change: CMNS 860
<b>DATE:</b>	October 15, 2019

On October 9, 2019, the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology Graduate Studies Committee approved the following Graduate Course Change for CMNS 860 to be 5 units, effective September 2020.

Sincerely,

Philippe Pasquier  
Associate Dean, Academic, FCAT  
Chair, FCAT Graduate Studies Committee

cc: Dal Yong Jin, Graduate Program Chair, CMNS

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# Graduate Course Change

Attach a separate document if more space is required.

Course Subject/Number 860	Units 2	Effective Term and Year September 2020
Course Title Graduate Colloquium in Global Communication		
Rationale for Change: <i>see attached</i>		

**Proposed Changes (Check all that apply)**

- Course number  
  Units\*  
  Title  
  Description  
  Prerequisite  
  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete only the fields to be changed**

FROM	TO
Course Subject/Number	Course Subject/Number
Units 2	Units* 5
Course Title Graduate Colloquium in Global Communication	Course Title (max 100 characters) Graduate Colloquium in Global Communication
Course Short Title Graduate Colloquium in Global Communication	Course Short Title (max 30 characters) Grad Colloquium in Global CMNS
Description Discussion of essentials of researching, writing, and presenting papers. Students will present drafts of an extended essay for critical review by course supervisor and fellow students. Enrollment restricted to Global Communication Graduate Double Degree Program MA students. Course will be graded S/U.	Description Development of capstone topic and question choice, theory, method, audience, research ethics, writing and presenting. Students share emerging drafts of extended essay for critical review by course supervisor and fellow students. Enrollment restricted to Global Communication Graduate Double Degree Program MA students.
Prerequisite	Prerequisite
Other	Other

\* Program requirements may need to be revised when course units are changed. Please review the calendar and submit any relevant program revisions resulting from this course change.

**REMINDER:** All course changes must be identified on a cover memo and confirmed as approved when submitted to FGSC and SGSC.

**CONTACT PERSON**

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**DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL**

Department Graduate Program Committee Dal Yong Jin	Signature <i>Dal Yong Jin</i>	Date October 7, 2019
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Department Chair <i>J. MARONTATE</i>	Signature <i>J. Marontate</i>	Date <i>Oct 7, 2019</i>
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**FACULTY APPROVAL**

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) <i>P. Pasquiere</i>	Signature <i>P. Pasquiere</i>	Date <i>Oct 9, 2019</i>
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**SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE APPROVAL**

Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) <b>Jeff Derksen</b>	Signature <i>Jeff Derksen</i>	Date DEC 10 2019
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**ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION (for DGS office only)**

Course Attribute: _____	<b>If different from regular units:</b> Academic Progress Units: _____ Financial Aid Progress Units: _____
Course Attribute Value: _____	
Instruction Mode: _____	
Attendance Type: _____	

## **CMNS 860 Rationale for Change**

Pursuant to the audit of graduate program compliance with SFU program requirements carried about by Associate Dean Academic of Graduate Studies. Dr. Zoe Druick, the Global Communication Double Degree within the School of Communication is short 3 credits to qualify under section 1.7.2 of the Graduate General Regulations section D.

“Successfully complete a minimum of 30 units of graduate course work. A capstone (e.g. project, examination, portfolio, extended essay) is not required but may be added to the program.”

Meanwhile one of the program’s core courses, CMNS 860 has evolved over time to be a 4-hour a week class various assignments and a dedicated instructor. We propose that 3 credits be added to CMNS860 Graduate Colloquium in Global Communication to reflect the growth of this course, and to meet the requirements of the Graduate General Regulations.