

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate **From:** J.W.G. Ivany
Chair, SCAP

Subject: Department of Psychology - **Date:** November 17, 1988
Curriculum Revisions

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Academic Planning/Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies gives rise to the following motion:

Motion:

that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors curriculum revisions in the Department of Psychology as set forth in S.88-72 including:

1) New courses PSYC 100-3 Introduction to Psychology I
PSYC 102-3 Introduction to Psychology II
PSYC 383-3 Drugs and Behaviour

2) Deletion of PSYC 101-3 Introductory Psychology

and

3) the introduction of a Co-operative Education Program in Psychology with four new practica courses -

PSYC 342-0	Practicum I
PSYC 343-0	Practicum II
PSYC 442-0	Practicum III
PSYC 443-0	Practicum IV

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MEMORANDUM

To: Ross Saunders
Associate Vice-President, Academic

From: W. G. Saywell
President

Subject: Space Implications Arising from
New Course Proposals - PSYC 100 and 102.

Date: November 22, 1988

On a number of occasions, in discussions I have had with Department Chairs, concerns have been expressed that the University has a significant shortage of space, and further, that best use is not being made of existing space. Today, when the Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules considered the proposed new courses PSYC 100 and 102 from the Department of Psychology, concern was raised that the introduction of these two courses to replace PSYC 101 might have space implications that could not be accommodated by existing inventories. SCAR agreed that the new course proposals should go forward to Senate for action, but it was suggested that some investigation be completed prior to the Senate meeting to ascertain what implications the introduction of these courses will have on the University's space inventory.

cc. R. C. Brown
Dean, Faculty of Arts

R. Blackman
Chair, Department of Psychology

MEMORANDUM

To: Sheila Roberts,
Admin. Asst., Dean of Arts

From: Roger Blackman, Chair
Psychology Department

Subject: Curriculum changes

Date: October 14, 1988

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Please find attached materials pertaining to the changes in our undergraduate curriculum that we wish to have placed before the Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its next meeting. A brief rationale for each of these changes is provided below.

1. New courses - PSYC 100 & 102: Introduction to Psychology I & II

For the last 23 years, the Psychology Department has provided students with the basic introduction to our discipline in a single course (PSYC 101). For almost as long, instructors and students have been telling us that one semester is too brief a period in which to cover this material adequately. Most other universities offer either a full-year course or two half-year courses in their coverage of introductory psychology. We feel the time has come for us to adopt the normative approach -- to expand PSYC 101 into a two-course sequence (PSYC 100 & PSYC 102). SFU's system does not allow us to implement a strict two-course sequence, but we propose to point students in that direction a) by making PSYC 100 a pre- or co-requisite for PSYC 102, and b) by making both PSYC 100 & 102 required courses for psychology majors and prerequisites for PSYC 201, our first required course at the 200-level.

The proposed change will place an additional demand on the Department's teaching resources, but it is a demand that can be accommodated by varying the frequency with which our other courses are offered. I should note in this regard that we teach our basic introductory course far more efficiently than in many other programs. For example, UBC teaches its roughly 1700 introductory psychology (day) students in some 12-15 separately instructed sections that run for a year (two semesters). The corresponding figures for us (PSYC 101 day course only) are 1100 students in 3-4 sections. It is difficult to estimate the effect on these figures of the proposed change to PSYC 100/102, but we can safely claim that we would still be operating very efficiently.

2. New courses - PSYC 383: Drugs and Behaviour

The proposed course will capitalize on the availability of faculty expertise in an area that is of considerable interest to students and yet receives little attention in currently offered upper-level courses.

3. New courses - PSYC 342, 343, 442 & 443: Practicum I, II, III & IV

The Psychology Department is establishing a Co-operative Education Program. A necessary first step in this direction is to put in place four non-credit practicum courses. Co-op students register in these courses when they are on a work-experience semester. These courses are not open to non-coop students.

J. R. Blackman

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 100 Credit Hours: 3 Vector: 2-0-1

Title of Course: Introduction to Psychology I

Calendar Description of Course:

Acquaints the student with major issues in contemporary psychology and considers their historical antecedents. Special attention is given to questions of methodology and research design in psychology. Topics in physiological psychology, perception, developmental psychology and motivation are considered. Required of all majors.
Nature of Course Lecture/Tutorial

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

Students who have taken PSYC 101 may not register for PSYC 100

What course (courses), if any, is being dropped from the calendar if this course is approved: PSYC 101

2. Scheduling

How frequently will the course be offered? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 89-3

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? Almost all; particularly Drs. Bakan, Beyerstein, Blackman, Davis, Krebs, Lyman, Modigliani, Turnbull, and Weinberg

3. Objectives of the Course

To provide students with a partial introduction to the field of psychology (the balance being provided by PSYC 102)

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library

No additional resources required

Audio Visual

Space

Equipment

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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 102 Credit Hours: 3 Vector: 2-0-1

Title of Course: Introduction to Psychology II

Calendar Description of Course:

Acquaints the student with major issues in contemporary psychology and considers their historical antecedents. Topics in learning, cognition, social psychology and abnormal psychology are considered. Required of all majors.

Nature of Course Lecture/Tutorial

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

PSYC 100 (concurrent registration permitted)
Students who have taken PSYC 101 may not register for PSYC 102

What course (courses), if any, is being dropped from the calendar if this course is approved: PSYC 101

2. Scheduling

How frequently will the course be offered? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 90-1

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? Almost all; particularly Drs. Bakan, Beyerstein, Bowman, Davis, Krebs, Lyman, and Paranjpe.

3. Objectives of the Course

To provide students with a partial introduction to the field of psychology (the balance being provided by PSYC 100)

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library No additional resources required

Audio Visual

Space

Equipment

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COURSE OUTLINE

PSYC 102: Introduction to Psychology II

This course will cover approximately half of the domain of the current Introductory Psychology course (PSYC 101). The specific content areas (learning, cognition, social psychology and abnormal psychology) have been identified as a coherent subset by consensus of our PSYC 101 instructors.

It is expected that students taking both PSYC 100 and 102 will normally be able to use the same textbook (all standard introductory texts in psychology cover the combined content of PSYC 100 & 102). No materials other than the textbook (and optional Study Guide) are required of students in this course.

COURSE OUTLINE

PSYC 100: Introduction to Psychology I

This course will cover approximately half of the domain of the current Introductory Psychology course (PSYC 101). The specific content areas (research methods, physiological psychology, perception, developmental psychology and motivation) have been identified as a coherent subset by consensus of our PSYC 101 instructors.

It is expected that students taking both PSYC 100 and 102 will normally be able to use the same textbook (all standard introductory texts in psychology cover the combined content of PSYC 100 & 102). No materials other than the textbook (and optional Study Guide) are required of students in this course.

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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 383 Credit Hours: 3 Vector: 2-0-2

Title of Course: Drugs and Behaviour

Calendar Description of Course: A survey of the field of psychopharmacology -- the study of how drugs affect the brain, consciousness, and behaviour. Topics will include cellular effects of drugs and consequences for psychological functions and social behaviour. Theories of addiction and treatments for drug abuse will be covered as well as legal and societal issues in the area of drug regulation. History and research regarding both legal and illegal Nature of Course substances will be included, as will drug treatments for mental illness.

^{Lecture, Laboratory}
Prerequisites (or special instructions):

PSYC 101-3, PSYC 201-3
PSYC 280-3 (recommended)

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? Once per year.

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 89-3

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? B. Beyerstein, B. Alexander

3. Objectives of the Course

To acquaint students with current research and historical information on psychotropic substances, their discovery, patterns of usage and psychological and social effects.

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library No additional resources will be required.

Audio Visual

Space

Equipment

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Psychology 383-3 Course Outline

- Week 1. Introduction and Overview.
History of psychopharmacology, ancient and modern.
- Week 2. Research methods in psychopharmacology. Classification of psychotropic drugs: Stimulants, Depressants, Hallucinogens, etc. Sites and modes of drug action.
- Week 3. Ethnopsychopharmacology. Use of mind-altering plants in indigenous cultures and modern pharmaceuticals derived therefrom.
The psychopharmacology of alcohol.
- Week 4. Drugs and the brain: Pharmacological effects on the nervous system and their psychological effects.
- Week 5. Opiates and behaviour. History of use and pharmacologic actions. From natural substances to "designer drugs."
- Week 6. Theories of addiction: Physiological, psychological, genetic and social.
Treatments for substance abuse: A critical review.
- Week 7. Mid-term exam.
- Week 8. Drugs and perception, memory, mood and motivation.
Marijuana and the psychedelics -- a cost-benefit analysis.
- Week 9. Legal control of consciousness-affecting agents: Prohibition, legalization, decriminalization, and other alternatives.
- Week 10. Tobacco: History, pharmacology, regulation, addiction, health effects.
- Week 11. Cocaine, amphetamine, "crack": -- neural, psychological and socio-legal aspects of stimulant use.
- Week 12. Drugs and psychiatry: Mood altering drugs -- tranquilizers, anti-psychotic, and anti-anxiety agents.
- Week 13. The psychopharmacological revolution: Implications for the future.

Course grade determination: Mid-term exam 30%
Final exam 35%
Term essay 35%

Calendar entry for proposed Psychology Co-operative Education Program

Psychology Co-operative Education Program

The Department of Psychology offers a Co-operative education Program for qualified students who wish to acquire practical experience in psychology. The Program entails planned semesters of study and employment in the area of the student's choice. (Note: this Program will not provide training in clinical psychology or therapeutic techniques which can be obtained only through approved clinical psychology graduate programs.)

To be eligible for admission to the Co-operative Education Program, students must have completed 30 semester hours with a minimum CGPA of 3.0. Prior to admission, students must complete PSYC 100, 102, 201 and 210 or their equivalents. Transfer students must complete at least 15 semester hours at Simon Fraser.

For further details, students should refer to the Co-operative Education section of the Calendar. Arrangements for work semesters are made through the Faculty of Arts Co-op Coordinator and the Psychology Department's Co-op Coordinator, both of whom should be consulted at least one semester in advance.

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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 342 Credit Hours: 0 Vector: -

Title of Course: Practicum I

Calendar Description of Course:

First semester of work experience in the Psychology Co-operative Education Program

Nature of Course Off-campus practicum

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

Normally 30 semester hours with a minimum Cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0, including PSYC 100, 102, 201, and 210. Students should apply to the Co-op Coordinator one semester in advance.

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? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 89-3

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? The Psychology Co-op Coordinator

3. Objectives of the Course

See Co-op Program objectives

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library No additional resources required

Audio Visual

Space

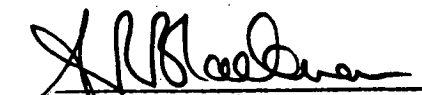
Equipment


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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 343 Credit Hours: 0 Vector: -

Title of Course: Practicum II

Calendar Description of Course:

Second semester of work experience in the Psychology Co-operative Education Program

Nature of Course Off-campus practicum

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

Successful completion of PSYC 342-0 and 45 semester hours with a minimum Cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0

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? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 1990-1 or later

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? The Psychology Co-op Coordinator

3. Objectives of the Course

See Co-op Program objectives

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library

No additional resources required

Audio Visual

Space

Equipment

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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 442 Credit Hours: 0 Vector: -

Title of Course: Practicum III

Calendar Description of Course:

Third semester of work experience in the Psychology Co-operative Education Program

Nature of Course Off-campus practicum

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

Successful completion of PSYC 343-0 and 60 semester hours with a minimum Cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0

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? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 1990-2 or later

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? The Psychology Co-op Coordinator

3. Objectives of the Course

See Co-op Program objectives

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library No additional resources required

Audio Visual

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Equipment

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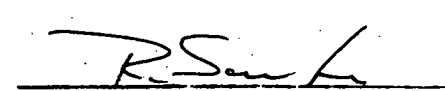
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NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Psychology

Abbreviation Code: PSYC Course Number: 443 Credit Hours: 0 Vector: -

Title of Course: Practicum IV

Calendar Description of Course:

Fourth semester of work experience in the Psychology Co-operative Education Program

Nature of Course Off-campus practicum

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

Successful completion of PSYC 442-0 and 75 semester hours with a minimum Cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0

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? Every semester

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 1990-3 or later

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? The Psychology Co-op Coordinator

3. Objectives of the Course

See Co-op Program objectives

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library

No additional resources required

Audio Visual

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