

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.81-110

MEMORANDUM

To: SENATE
Subject: SADC - STUDENT CONDUCT

From: SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER STUDENT ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE AND CONDUCT
Date: JUNE 9, 1981

I. The Senate Committee to Consider Student Academic Discipline and Conduct was established by Senate on March 5, 1979. It submitted report to Senate on Intellectual Honesty and Academic Discipline, with extensive discussion of the reports, a number of modifications, and final approval in Papers S.81-58 - Statement on Intellectual Honesty, S.81-59 - Procedures for Dealing with Incidents of Intellectual Dishonesty, and S.81-60 - Terms of Reference - Senate Committee on Academic Discipline. The latter Committee is now in place within the University. That report was submitted in Paper S.81-34.

II. At that time under its second term of reference, the Committee had concerned itself with student conduct, as charged by Senate. It noted that in this area there were a number of contentious issues. Student members of the Committee had been withdrawn. The Committee proposed that opportunities be provided for discussion to continue on this charge from Senate relative to conduct.

At that time the Student Society had indicated intention to return two students to the Committee in early February but has not been successful in doing this.

III. In view of the circumstances, the remaining members of the Committee again met and now submits its report on this topic. (Members:- J. Munro, Chairman; P. J. Brantingham, M. Plischke, H. M. Evans, Secretary.)

MOTION: "That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors the following statement for inclusion in University calendars:

'Statement on Student Conduct

The University holds students responsible in matters of conduct which affect the University community. Any student whose actions cause harm to another individual or group or damage to University property may be liable to action at law. The University may impose disciplinary measures for these and other actions. Sanctions include a warning, a reprimand, a fine, suspension and expulsion."

Statement on Appeal Procedure & Legality

IV. During a number of discussions of the Committee it was agreed that, concurrently with submission of a report to Senate, attention would be drawn to two areas which were of concern to the Committee during its deliberations:

- i) Statements were developed by the Committee under the charge to it related to student intellectual dishonesty and academic discipline. It is the view of the Committee that the attention of Senate should be drawn to the desirability of developing appropriate statements and procedures on faculty ethics and responsibilities.
- ii) Senate is advised that it may be desirable to establish further policies relative to some aspects of student records management, including the degree of permanency of retention of disciplinary actions and access to such information.

Separate papers on each of i) and ii) above will be presented to Senate and in the case of i) will proceed further to the Board.

V. With these submissions the Committee has completed its task and will disband.