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MEMORANDUM

To SENATE

Subject HISTORY UNDERGRADUATE COURSES -
CHANGES IN VECTORS

From SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE
STUDIES

Date NOVEMBER 15, 1972

MOTION: "That Senate approve, as set forth in S.72-138, that the vectors for all current upper division courses in History - with the exception of History 489-5, 495-5, 496-3, 497-3, 498-5, 499-18, be changed from 2-3-0 to 0-3-2."

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On recommendation of the Faculty of Arts, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved changes to vectors in upper division courses in History, and recommends approval to Senate, as follows:

For all upper division courses in History, with the exception of History 489-5, 495-5, 496-3, 497-3, 498-5, 499-18, change the vectors from 2-3-0 to 0-3-2.

HISTORY

The History Department's submission includes editorial changes and the introduction of a Minor Program (Ref. F.72-7).

The upper division courses with a vector description of (2-3-0) have been changed to a description of (0-3-2). The History Department was unanimous in its view that historically such a description (2-3-0) had not necessarily required a faculty member to conduct two hours of lectures as well as a three hour seminar. Consequently nearly all of the upper level courses offered by the Department have no lectures and consist of three hour seminars only. However, considerable preparation is required on the part of students in order to achieve a passing grade and therefore 5 credits for the course. It was agreed that a change of vector description (0-3-2) would present the advantage of flexibility in the format of courses. Faculty would now have the option of offering directed readings and individual supervision or lectures if they so desired. The student would continue to receive five hours credit and the faculty member would still receive the regular teaching credit of three hours for a three hour seminar to 15 students.