

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate

From: Sarah Dench, Secretary
Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries

Subject: Revisions to terms of reference for Graduate Entrance
Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships, SPCSAB 00-7

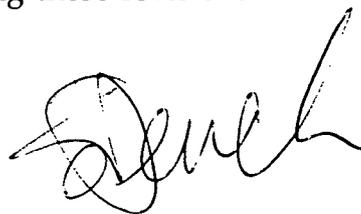
Date: October 13, 2000

For Information

Acting under delegated authority, at the September 25, 2000 meeting SPCSAB approved the following regarding Graduate Entrance Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships:

1. The total funds per annum that a graduate student may receive from scholarship/fellowship/award support be increased from \$27,000 to \$35,000.
2. Recipients may receive income for other work, if the hours worked do not exceed 130 hours in the semester in which the award is held.

Please see the attached for the rationale regarding these revisions.



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DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Memorandum

TO: John D' Auria, Chair
Senate Policy Committee on
Scholarships, Awards & Bursaries

FROM: Jonathan C. Driver
Dean
Chair, SGAAC

SUBJECT: S.F.U. SCHOLARSHIPS

DATE: September 21, 2000

During the 2000-01 Entrance Scholarships adjudication process, the Senate Graduate Awards Adjudication Committee noted that departments are having difficulties in recruiting the very best graduate students. One of the reasons is that the level of financial support that we can offer through scholarships is limited by the \$27,000 per annum cap on scholarship funding.

It has been over two years since we adjusted the level of the scholarship support available to our graduate students. In my view, it is essential that we do so at this time to allow us to compete effectively, especially in those disciplines that are in high demand across Canada and where a chronic shortage of outstanding students has been identified (in computing science, for example).

I propose the following motion which, if passed, would allow my office to make revisions to the terms of reference of our Graduate Entrance Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships that would bring this motion into practice.

Motion #1: *The total funds per annum that a graduate student may receive from scholarship/fellowship/award support be increased from \$27,000 to \$35,000.*

Questions also have arisen about the hours of work that can be done while a student holds an SFU Graduate Fellowship or President's Research Stipend.

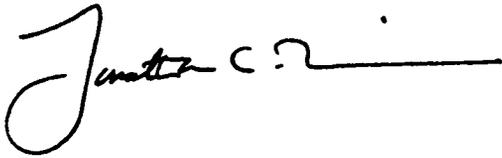
The award Terms of Reference stipulate that recipients may receive income for other work that is not related to degree requirements (e.g. TA-ships, other part time employment, etc.) if the hours worked do not exceed 120 hours in the semester in which the award is also held, on the basis that a 3-base unit TA-ship was deemed to be 120 hours.

Due to TSSU changes in the number of hours that constitute a base unit and in the spirit of the aforementioned regulation, I propose changing the award terms of reference to 130 hours.

Motion #2: *Recipients may receive income for other work, if the hours worked do not exceed 130 hours in the semester in which the award is held.*

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Thank you for receiving and considering these motions at the next meeting of the SPCSAB. Please contact me if you wish to discuss them with me prior to their consideration by the Committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D'Auria", followed by a horizontal line.

c: W. R. Heath for distribution to the SPCSAB