

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

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Immediate

MEMORANDUM

SM 4/12/67

Chairman of Senate

From John Matthews

Dean of Arts

Subject Classes of Honors

Date November 15, 1967

Certain students in the Faculty of Arts who have just graduated have expressed serious dissatisfaction at being awarded Honors Second Class. Their complaint is that the calendar contains no reference to classes of honors and that, had they known that this distinction between first and second class would be made, they would have spread their studies into an extra semester in order to try for first class honors.

The Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee on January 31, 1967, recommended "that the present system of recording either the major degree or the honors degree on a certificate should stand and that no further classification was needed" and this was endorsed by the Faculty of Arts on April 6, 1967, and in turn submitted to the Registrar as a Senate agenda item on April 17, 1967.

The Registrar informs me that there is a Senate ruling that classes of honors be recognized but I can find no record of this in Senate minutes.

I submit that, in the circumstances, this is a matter of urgent business for Senate and I ask that this be dealt with as such at the next Senate meeting on December 4, 1967.

John Matthews

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cc. The Registrar



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