

S.74-152

# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

## MEMORANDUM

To SENATE

From SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Subject FACULTY OF EDUCATION  
EDUCATION SPECIAL TOPICS COURSES  
POLICY ON MAXIMUM HOURS

Date November 14, 1974

MOTION 4:

"That Senate approve, as set forth in S.74-152, that 12 semester hours of credit be the maximum number of Education Special Topics Courses credit hours that a student may use toward the Bachelor of Education degree."

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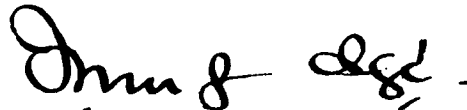
From SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Subject Faculty of Education Policy on  
Special Topics Courses

Date November 14, 1974

At its meeting of 5th November, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies discussed the attached proposal to permit students to include a maximum of twelve semester hours of credit in Special Topics Courses towards a Bachelor of Education degree. It should be noted that this applies only to Special Topics Courses in the Faculty of Education and not to those mounted by other Departments.

This proposal is now forwarded to Senate for its consideration, with the Committee's recommendation that it be approved.

  
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**MEMORANDUM**

To H. M. Evans, Secretary,  
Senate Committee on Undergraduate  
Studies,  
Subject Special Topics - Policy on Maximum  
Hours

From Graem Nelson, Secretary,  
Faculty of Education,  
Date October 23, 1974.

The Faculty of Education passed the following motion:-

that the Faculty of Education establish Policy with respect to the maximum number of Special Topic Credit hours that a student may include toward a Bachelor of Education Degree, specifically

A student may include a maximum of 12 semester hours of credit in Education Special Topic courses toward a Bachelor of Education Degree.

*Graem Nelson*

Registrar's Note: It was clarified that reference is to the number of Education Special Topics Courses

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## MEMORANDUM

Faculty of Education

From Undergraduate Programs Committee

Subject Special Topics - Policy on Maximum  
Hours

Date October 11, 1974

### Motion:

that the Faculty of Education establish Policy with respect to the maximum number of Special Topic credit hours that a student may include toward a Bachelor of Education Degree, specifically

A student may include a maximum of 12 semester hours of credit in Special Topic courses toward a Bachelor of Education Degree.

### RATIONALE:

Special Topic courses permit the Faculty to be responsive, in the short term, to

- a) unique perspectives on an area or a problem offered by a faculty member or a visitor  
eg. Mornings with Young Children - Sylvia Ashton-Warner
- b) opportunities to offer courses in liaison with other faculties or centres  
eg. Outdoor Recreation - Martin Hendy
- c) the need for guided reading prior to taking a regularly offered course  
eg. Readings in Inter-Cultural Education - June Wyatt
- d) a current thrust in educational practice  
eg. Community Schools - Jack Stevens
- e) requests for advanced work in a subject area  
eg. Advanced Art Education - M. Place (Ceramics) J. Jakobow (Weaving)

The Topics tend to be experimental, advanced, narrow in scope, indeed special topics as different from core educational topics in curriculum and teaching. Hence the recommendation to limit the Special Topic credits in the Bachelor of Education Degree.