

MEMORANDUM

To..... SENATE.

From..... SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE
..... STUDIES.....Subject..... CHANGE IN CREDIT HOURS FROM FIVE TO
..... FOUR FOR G.S. 402 - MYTHS, FICTIONS,
..... HISTORIES: TELLING THE TRUTH ABOUT

Date..... 24 MARCH 1983.

EXPERIENCE II - VECTOR 2-0-2.

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of March 8, 1983, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved change in credit hours from 5 to 4 for G.S. 402 - Myths, Fictions, Histories: Telling the Truth About Experience II.

(G.S. 403-5 already has been dropped).

The Initial proposal to offer G.S. 402 and G.S. 403 as a 10 credit sequence of courses was based on shaky assumptions and hopes. It was designed for students with a degree of methodological sophistication and a strong interest in the philosophy of their subject, whether history, physics, anthropology, or whatever, and also a substantial background of upper division study in a particular subject. While such students obviously exist in fair numbers, very few of them then have the ability to accommodate 10 elective credits in G.S. in their degree programs. Some of the students who do have that freedom, particularly G.S. students, do not have the substantial background in a particular academic subject, to which the abstract theory which forms the main content of the course needs to be tied.

What I propose via the attached form is reducing G.S. 402 to a 4 credit course and dropping G.S. 403 altogether. The course will become rather more expository than its initial conception as a seminar anticipated. I hope thereby to make it both more useful to those students who have a rather less strong academic background and more accessible to those who do have such a background; and to organize its content such that the benefits of the rigorous treatment of the range of abstract ideas may be attained by all to an acceptable degree.

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MEMORANDUM

SCUS 83-6

To..... Mr. H.M. Evans, Registrar and Secretary to the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies.....	From..... Janet Blanchet, Secretary Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Subject..... CHANGE OF G.S. 402-5 AND DELETION OF G.S. 403-5 (ISC-83-2)	Date..... January 18, 1983.....

At a meeting of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee held today members of the committee approved the reduction of credits for G.S. 402-5, Myths, Fictions and Histories: Telling the Truth about Experience, from five to four, and the deletion of G.S. 403-5 from the Calendar.

Would you please place this item on the next agenda of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

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MEMORANDUM

(ISC 83-2)

To..... Gordon Bhakthan.....	From..... Kieran Egan.....
Subject..... Change of G.S. course & dropping of one G.S. course	Date..... December 1st, 1982.....

Attached is a proposal to reduce the hours of G.S. 402 to 4, and to drop G.S. 403. These are courses I designed and only I have taught so far. I will attend a meeting of your Undergraduate Curriculum Committee if you consider that necessary.

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