

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

S. 84-2

SENATE

From... SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Subject... CHANGES - GEOGRAPHY

Date... DECEMBER 15, 1983

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of December 13, 1983 gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION:

*Not Approved. Referred back
for consideration.
S.M. 9/1/84*

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.84-2, the proposed

Change in honours program admission requirements in Geography."

FOR INFORMATION:

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of December 13, 1983 the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved the proposed

Change of prerequisite GEOG 499-15 - Directed Readings/Field Study

FROM: 75 credit hours including 30 hours of courses in Geography, consent of supervisor.

TO: 75 credit hours including 30 hours in Geography. A GPA of least 3.00 computed on all Geography courses taken. Consent of supervisor.

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MEMORANDUM

SCUS 83-67

To..... Mr. H. Evans
..... Registrar
..... Geography Honors Program--
Subject.... Change in Admission Requirements; and
Change of Prerequisite: GEOG 499-15

From..... Sheila Roberts
..... Secretary, Faculty of Arts
..... Curriculum Committee
Date..... December 7, 1983

The Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee, at its meeting of November 24, 1983, approved the change of prerequisite for GEOG 499-15 "Directed Readings/Field Study" from the Department of Geography. It also approved the change in admission requirements for the Geography Honors Program as per attached.

Would you please place these changes on the agenda of the next meeting of S.C.U.S. Thank you.

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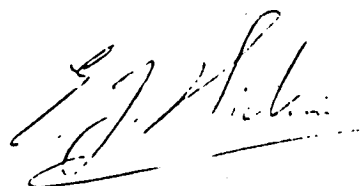
MEMORANDUM

To..... Dr. R.C. Brown
..... Dean
..... Faculty of Arts
Subject.... Rationale, Changes in Honours
Program

From..... E.J. Hickin
..... Chairman
..... Dept. of Geography
Date..... December 14, 1983

In response to your request for an elaboration of the rationale for changing the requirements for the Honours Program in the Department of Geography, I would like to provide the following comment.

We have not been happy with the quality of students at the bottom of the ability range in the Honours class. We believe that some students are able to reach the general CPGA of 3.0 even though their particular performance in geography is not very good. This change gives us more control on students entering the honours program through our own assessment standards (i.e. geography courses). In short, we wish to raise the academic standard of the students entering the honours program and thus of those who ultimately will carry from SFU an honours degree in geography.



E.J. Hickin

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MEMORANDUM

F.A.C.C.
C 83-44

To.....Chairman
.....Faculty of Arts Curriculum
.....Committee

From.....E.J. Hickin
.....Chairman
.....Dept. of Geography

Subject.....

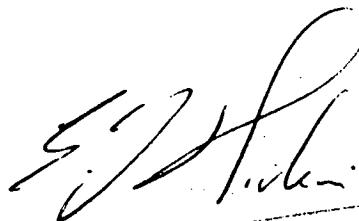
Date.....November 8, 1983

Please find attached a proposal form specifying a change in the pre-requisite for Geog. 499. In addition, a paragraph on the admission to the Honors Program in the Department of Geography should be added to the Calendar description as follows:

Admission to the Honors Program is restricted to students with a GPA of 3.2 computed using all geography courses. Application must be made in writing to the Undergraduate Studies Committee after the completion of 60 credit hours and before reaching 106 credit hours.

E.J. Hickin

EJH/mgb
Attch.



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Rationale: Changes are designed to raise standards of entry to Geog. 499 and the Honors Program.

CURRICULUM CHANGES

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY UPPER DIVISION COURSE REQUIREMENTS FROM:

P. 41 Calendar

Students are expected to consult with a Departmental Undergraduate Adviser when they formally declare a Major, Honors or Minor in Geography. Students who do not seek advice from the Department run the risk of prolonging their programs.

TO:

Students are expected to consult with a Departmental Undergraduate Adviser when they formally declare a Major, Honors or Minor in Geography. Students who do not seek advice from the Department run the risk of prolonging their programs.

Admission to the Honors Program is restricted to students with a GPA of 3.2 or higher computed using all Geography courses. Application must be made in writing to the Undergraduate Studies Committee after the completion of 60 credit hours and before reaching 106 credit hours. *normally*

RATIONALE:

Change is designed to raise standards of entry to the Honors Program.

GEOG 499-15 - Directed Readings/Field Study
CHANGE OF PREREQUISITE ONLY

FROM:

P. 162 Calendar

Prerequisite: 75 credit hours including 30 hours of courses in Geography, consent of supervisor.

The proposal must be submitted to the Undergraduate Studies Committee for approval at least 3 months in advance of registration. See a Departmental Academic Adviser for details.

TO:

Prerequisite: 75 credit hours including 30 hours in Geography. A GPA of at least 3.00 computed on all Geography courses taken. Consent of supervisor.

The proposal must be submitted to the Undergraduate Studies Committee for approval at least 3 months in advance of registration. See a Departmental Academic Adviser for details.

RATIONALE:

This change is designed to raise the standards of entry to GEOG 499-15.