

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

S. 84-66

To..... SENATE

From..... SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE

..... STUDIES

Subjed..... DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE -
CHANGE OF REQUIREMENTS

Date..... NOVEMBER 14, 1984

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of November 13, 1984 gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION:

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.84-66 , the proposed revisions to the Lower Division course requirements in Political Science."

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SCUS 84-25

To..... R. Heath, Secretary.....

From.. Sheila Roberts, Secretary.....

Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies.....

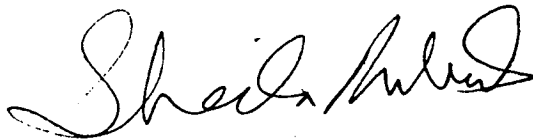
Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee.....

Political Science Change of

Subject..... Requirements.....

Date.. October 31, 1984.....

The Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its meeting of October 25, 1984 approved the attached revisions to the Lower Division course requirements in Political Science. Would you please place this item on the agenda of the next meeting of SCUS.



S. Roberts

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CC: P. Warwick, Political Science

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To.....Ms...L...Roberts, Secretary.....
Faculty of Arts Curriculum
.....Committee.....

From.....P.V..Warwick, Chairman.....
Curriculum Committee,
.....Political Science.....

Subject....Calendar Change.....

Date.....October 4, 1984.....

The Political Science Department would like to add to the Calendar description of its Lower Division Course Requirements (p.76) the following sentence:

"It is strongly recommended that Pol 213-3 is included in this selection."

At present, the Department makes no methodological requirements of its Majors, and in fact offers little in the way of methodologically-oriented courses. This weakness was noted in last year's External Review, and is acknowledged by the department. Pol 213-3 was recently re-structured, but the department feels that positive encouragement (although not compulsion) for Majors to take the course is desirable.

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POLITICAL SCIENCE

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(1984-5 Calendar)

FROM LOWER DIVISION COURSE REQUIREMENTS

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RATIONALE: The Department feels that some encouragement is needed in order to enhance the general level of methodological training Majors receive, which is at present very low. The Department is reluctant to introduce a compulsory course into a programme where no such courses exist, and feels that a positive indication of the desirability of such training in the Calendar will stimulate the intended improvements.