

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate

From: Senate Committee on
Undergraduate Studies

Subject: Canadian Studies - Changes

Date: October 21, 1986

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of October 21, 1986 gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION:

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.86-61, the proposed

- i) New course CN.S 360-4 Interdisciplinary Readings in
Canadian Studies
- ii) Deletion of CN.S 350-3 The Francophone outside Quebec
- iii) Distribution requirements
- iv) Change in required courses"

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MEMORANDUM

To..... W.R. Heath, Secretary
Senate Committee on
Undergraduate Studies

From..... Sheila Roberts, Secretary
Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee

Subject..... Curriculum Revision

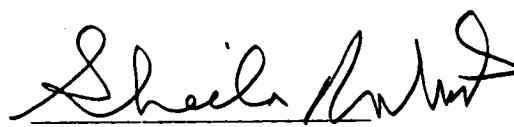
Date..... October 9, 1986

The Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its meeting of October 2, 1986 recommended calendar changes to Canadian Studies as outlined in the attached papers.

Would you please place these items on the agenda of the next meeting of SCUS.

-----Thank you.-----

/sjc
Encl.


S. Roberts



MEMORANDUM

To... Sheila Roberts, Administrative Assistant	From... Rowland Lorimer, Director
Dean of Arts	Centre for Canadian Studies
Subject... CALENDAR CHANGES - 1987-88	Date... 22 September 1986

- 1) NEW COURSE PROPOSAL: CN.S. 360-4 Interdisciplinary Readings in Canadian Studies
See appendix A.

RATIONALE: Over the past few years we have received many requests from students for CN.S. 390 and CN.S. 490 topics they would like to see examined from an interdisciplinary point of view. Similarly we receive suggestions from faculty who would like to explore some facet of Canadian Studies from a viewpoint other than can generally be fitted into the conventional departmental course offerings. Occasionally we have been able to use the CN.S. 390 label to accommodate a faculty-directed readings course for an individual student. The result of this has been favourable to both student and faculty member. The use of the CN.S. 390 label is only possible in those semesters when it is not being used for a regular course offering and, of course, limits the student in the further use of this course number.

A directed readings course would allow individual students to examine in depth, a broad range of topics now possible within our program from an interdisciplinary perspective.

It allows for following a course of study within frameworks not normally pursued in departments. We are recommending 4 credits be given for this course as an appropriate number of credits for an advanced, in-depth exploration at the upper levels of a topic. This recommendation also anticipates our planned recommendation that our upper levels offerings be increased to 4 credit hours.

- 2) Page 71, 1986/87 Calendar:

FROM: DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

To ensure adequate breadth of knowledge regarding Canada, students must complete at least eight required key courses listed below. These must include courses from at least five groups listed.

TO:

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

- To ensure adequate breadth of knowledge regarding Canada, students must complete at least eight required key courses from at least five departments listed below as having "recognized" courses carrying Canadian Studies credit.

RATIONALE:

This change makes it equally possible for students of all departments to undertake double and joint majors with Canadian Studies. It also is an editorial change reflecting the dropping in last year's calendar of groupings of courses for the purposes of ensuring an adequate breadth of knowledge. The phrase "listed below as having "recognized" courses carrying Canadian studies credit" is included to reduce possible ambiguity which might be created by the listing of the courses several paragraphs following this statement.

- 3) ADDITIONAL COURSES: The addition of the following courses as 'recognized' courses carrying Canadian Studies credit should be noted:

HIST 484-3 History of Women in North America
CMNS 130-3 Explorations in Mass Communication

RATIONALE:

These courses have come to our attention as appropriate to being included as Canadian content courses.

- 4) DROP: We wish to remove CN.S. 350-3 - The Francophones Outside Quebec from the calendar.

RATIONALE:

Over the past two years this course has not attracted enough students to warrant its continuance.

- 5) Page 73, 1986/87 Calendar:

FROM:

2. The completed courses must include CN.S. 350-3 (The Francophones Outside Quebec), either FREN 230-3 to

TO:

2. The completed courses must include either FREN 230-3....

RATIONALE:

This change is required as a result of the dropping of Canadian Studies 350-3.

- 6) Page 73, 1986/87 Calendar:

ADD:

Group B: French Language
199-3 Writing French

RATIONALE:

As noted in the calendar (page 173) under French listings, the course is described as an alternative to FREN 201-3 for franco-phone students.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

APPENDIX A

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

1. Calendar Information

Department: Canadian Studies

Abbreviation Code: CN.S. Course Number: 360 Credit Hours: 4 Vector: 0-0-0

Title of Course: INTERDISCIPLINARY READINGS IN CANADIAN STUDIES

Calendar Description of Course:

Allows students to pursue in depth a particular Canadian problem from an interdisciplinary perspective.

Nature of Course Reading Course

Prerequisites (or special instructions):

60 hours

What course (courses), if any, is being dropped from the calendar if this course is approved:

CN.S. 350-3

2. Scheduling

How frequently will the course be offered? whenever required

Semester in which the course will first be offered? 87-1

Which of your present faculty would be available to make the proposed offering possible? Faculty with Canadian Studies expertise

3. Objectives of the Course

This course will allow an in depth and interdisciplinary study of topics suited to a broad range of individual student's interests in Canadian material which cannot be accommodated within the normal disciplinary orientation of departments.

4. Budgetary and Space Requirements (for information only)

What additional resources will be required in the following areas:

Faculty

Staff

Library

Audio Visual

Space

Equipment

5. Approval

Date: _____

Roland Hair
Department Chairman

Dean

Chairman, SCUS