

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate

From: J.W.G. Ivany
Chair, SCAP

Subject: Proposed Joint Major in
Business Administration and
Political Science

Date: November 17, 1988

Action undertaken by the Senate Committee on Academic Planning/Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies gives rise to the following motion:

Motion: that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors as set forth in S.88-74 the proposal for a Joint Major in Business Administration and Political Science.

Memorandum
Simon Fraser University
Faculty of Business Administration

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

From: William C. Wedley, Acting Dean
Faculty of Business Administration

Subject: Joint Major in Business Administration and Political Science

Date: October 28, 1988

The Faculty of Business Administration and its Undergraduate Curriculum Committee have examined and approved the attached Political Science Department proposal for the Joint Major in Business Administration and Political Science, as approved by the Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee at its October 27th meeting.

W. C. Wedley

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Office of the Dean
Faculty of Arts

MEMORANDUM

To: W. R. Heath
Secretary to Senate

From: Sheila Roberts
Faculty of Arts
Curriculum Committee

The Faculty of Arts Curriculum Committee, at its meeting of October 27, 1988, approved the proposal for a Joint Major in Business Administration and Political Science.

Calendar Entry

JOINT MAJOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Students wishing to pursue this program must discuss these plans with the appropriate advisors.

Lower Division Course Requirements

Students must take a minimum of 15 credit hours in at least three fields of Political Science, including POL 151-3 and POL 251-3, and must qualify for admission to the Faculty of Business Administration. Students must also satisfy the Faculty of Arts requirements if they elect to take their degree in the Faculty of Arts, or the Faculty of Business Administration requirements if they elect to take their degree in that Faculty.

Upper Division Course Requirements

Business

- BUS 307-3 Managerial Economics
- or
- ECON 301-5 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory
- BUS 312-4 Business Finance
- BUS 343-3 Introduction to Marketing
- BUS 328-3 Accounting for Management
- or
- BUS 252-3 Financial Accounting II and
- BUS 324-3 Managerial Accounting I
- BUS 336-4 Management Science
- BUS 372-3 Micro Perspectives on Organization
- or
- BUS 374-3 Macro Perspectives on Organization
- BUEC 333-3 Elementary Economic and Business Statistics II
- BUS 478-3 Seminar in Administrative Policy
- BUEC 497-5 Public Policy Environment of Business
- one 300 or 400 -division course in the Policy Analysis area of concentration

Political Science

24 hours of Political Science upper division courses from at least three fields, including a minimum of 9 credit hours (3 courses) in Field E, Public Policy/Administration and Local Government.

For further information see the Political Science departmental advisor and/or the Coordinator of the Undergraduate Program in the Faculty of Business Administration.

A Proposal for a new Joint Major in Business and Political Science

Rationale

Any student interested in public sector management/public policy analysis and business-government relations has the option of pursuing a double major in Political Science and Business Administration. However, the two majors require a student to satisfy all requirements for a major in each department/faculty. Given the interrelationships between the subject matter taught in certain Political Science and Business courses however, the two majors unnecessarily duplicate the requirements imposed on interested students. On grounds of efficiency, it seems worthwhile to permit a joint major. The joint major would eliminate some requirements of the Faculty of Business Administration and the Department of Political Science and permit the student to concentrate on disciplinary studies. The Political Science requirements of the proposed joint major are also consistent with other joint programs of Political Science and other disciplines and will ensure appropriate breadth requirements in the Political Science discipline. It is expected that the number of students involved in the program would be small but it would have particular application to those interested in Business and Government. A student having this proposed joint major would probably have better employment opportunities in public sector and business settings requiring a background in Politics and Government than would a student having only a B.B.A. or a B.A. in Political Science.