

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate

From: D. Gagan, Chair *David Gagan*
Senate Committee on Academic Planning

Subject: Membership - Assessment Committee for
New Graduate Programs
(Reference: SCAP 97-47, SGSC Oct. 27/97)

Date: November 10, 1997

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

Motion:

"that Senate approve as set forth in S.97 - 85 , the following change to the Membership of the Assessment Committee for New Graduate Programs (ACNGP):

From: One member from each Faculty elected by the
respective Faculty Graduate Studies Committee
from the SGSC

To: One member from each Faculty elected by and from
the respective Faculty Graduate Studies Committee."

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DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Memorandum

TO: Bruce P. Clayman
Dean of Graduate Studies
Chair, SGSC
SUBJECT: ACNGP Membership

FROM: Phyllis Wrenn
Associate Dean
Chair, ACNGP
DATE: July 28, 1997

According to the Terms of Reference of the ACNGP, the Faculty representatives are to be elected by the Faculty Graduate Studies Committee from among the Faculty's members of the SGSC. Consequently, in the Faculties of Education and of Business Administration, only one member of the FGSC, the Graduate Program Director, has been technically eligible to sit on this (or any other) subcommittee of SGSC. Even if both of each Faculty's two seats on SGSC were filled, the burden of committee work would still be shouldered by only one or two individuals. In fact, it has often been necessary to accept a FGSC member other than the Graduate Program Director in order to have a fully-constituted membership of ACNGP. This situation will be exacerbated with the creation of the proposed standing Subcommittee to hear graduate student appeals, and the concomitant increase in committee duties.

I would therefore like to propose that the Terms of Reference be modified to extend the eligibility for SGSC Subcommittee membership to all members of the Faculty Graduate Studies Committee. While the change would apply to all Faculty GSC's, in practical terms only the two "single-department" Faculties would be affected, since in the other Faculties (Applied Science, Arts, and Science) this is already the case, by virtue of their GSC's composition.

Would you therefore accept the following proposal for consideration by SGSC, and with its approval, by Senate:

that the Terms of Reference of the Assessment Committee for New Graduate Programs (ACNGP) be amended from:

"One member from each Faculty elected by the respective Faculty Graduate Studies Committee from the SGSC"

to:

"One member from each Faculty elected by and from the respective Faculty Graduate Studies Committee"



c: M. McGinn

I concur and recommend to the Senate Graduate Studies Committee the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference for the Assessment Committee for New Graduate Programs (ACNGP).



Bruce Clayman
Dean of Graduate Studies